GENERAL information package

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Dance Force. GENERAL OVERVIEW

The general dance program provides comprehensive training in various dance styles, techniques, and performance skills. Students learn fundamental techniques, explore different dance genres, practice choreography, develop stage presence, understand the relationship between music and movement, and gain insight into the cultural and historical contexts of dance. The program aims to foster creativity, body awareness, and an appreciation for the art of dance.

OVERVIEW

Our once a week classes are tailored for dancers ages 5 to 18 years, the perfect level for those who enjoy dance and want to explore their creative expression in a fun atmosphere. Your child can dance for fun while mastering fundamental skills in a positive and supportive environment. Classes are based on the dancer's age, style and what schedule works best for your family. It allows children to participate in multiple activities and still get the excitement of working towards something special. Students rehearse weekly for their chance to perform by year end on the stage. Our general program introduces students to a variety of different mainstream dance styles such as Jazz, Hip Hop, Ballet, Tap, and Acrobatics. This program provides a great way to get fit and have fun!.

Our general dance program classes introduce kids to the wonderful world of dance, without putting them into an environment with a lot of heavy expectations attached. Optimism, fun and enthusiasm are the key traits of our general dance classes, and kids won't be expected to hit maximum perfection for the sake of competition. However, some parents may decide to enroll their children in our general dance program as a gateway to our competitive or company programs later down the road, and there's nothing wrong with that. The trick is to gauge whether the child is really invested in the art of dance, loves the classes, and wants to take their art and performance to the next level.

COMPETITION & PERFORMANCE DATES

- Synergy Burnaby Michael J Fox Theatre April 15-21 2024
- DanceForce. Recital Massey Theatre June 9 2PM 2024

WHAT LEVEL IS YOUR CHILD

AGE	LEVEL
2-4	Pre-School
5-7	Primary
8-10	Junior
11-13	Intermediate
14 and Up	Teen

DANCE GENRE

JAZZ

Jazz dance is an exhilarating and ever-evolving form of expression that merges diverse dance traditions into a lively and compelling art form. It embraces rhythm, individuality, and improvisation, allowing dancers to unleash their creativity and connect with audiences on a profound level. With its rich history and enduring popularity, jazz dance continues to inspire and delight dancers and spectators alike.



The foundation for all dance forms. Improve strength, poise, balance and control. Technical skill gained through the study of Ballet is necessary for all other dance forms. Dancers will study the discipline of Ballet through The Cecchetti Society of Dance Program. All our company students must be enrolled in our ballet program. Cecchetti Ballet exams are offered yearly to successful candidates demonstrating the proper required techniques of the discipline.



ACRO

This class focuses on flexibility, strength, balancing, limbering and tumbling. Our studio is Acrobatic Arts certified, Dancers who train through Acrobatic Arts have balanced development, are stronger, more flexible and fearless.



DANCE GENRE

CONTEMPORARY

This class style is of expressive dance that combines elements of several dance genres including modern, jazz, lyrical and classical ballet. Contemporary dancers strive to connect the mind and the body through fluid dance movements. All dancers must be company students to be accepted for enrolment in this genre.



The tap dance program is offered to students of all levels and concentrates on teaching our dancers the ability to communicate dance through sound. It also increases their awareness of rhythm and syncopation. The program works on enhancing each student's ability to combine musicality with performance quality. Steps of varying difficulty are taught progressively through the year, allowing each dancer to master techniques at his/her own pace. From flaps to triple time-steps, tap dancing is a great way to build your child's multi-tasking skills and confidence.



LYRICAL

Lyrical is a fusion of ballet and jazz dance techniques. This style of dance challenges choreographers and dancers to use motion to interpret music and express emotion. A lyrical dancer's movements attempt to show the meaning of the music. Lyrical jazz is a very passionate and emotional dance style. It portrays certain emotions such as love, and tells a story through every movement made.



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Our Hip-Hop program is a favourite for students of all ages! Hip-Hop is offered to recreational students starting at the beginner level and is also an essential part of our competitive dance program. All classes feature stylized technique and fresh hiphop combinations to the latest music. These popular classes are sure to be a great work out for your mind and body and will help improve your rhythm, personal style and articulation. As the hip-hop world continues to evolve we are able to create new and inspiring classes each week.

STAGE DANCE

This class is the study of Broadway dance and dance styles. Our focus is on Broadway musicals old and new! Our instructors introduce choreography and acting into this dance technique and style.

MUSICAL THEATRE

This Class will focus on each of the three main concentrations of musical theater; music, dance, and theater studies. Great emphasis will be placed on recognizing the relevance of each discipline as it relates to musical theater and preparing students for auditions and musical theater performances. 1/3 of each class period will be devoted to – 1) vocal development, 2) improving acting skills, 3) learning choreography; all to help students develop musical theatre skills.







DANCE ATTIRE

BALLET (PRE-PRIMARY)	BALLET (PRIMARY & JUNIOR)	BALLET (INTERMEDIATE & TEEN)
 Bodysuit: Mondor 26140 Terry Pink Cap Sleeve Dress Tights: Mondor 310 Tights (Ballerina) Shoes: Bloch S0225 Bunny Hop Shoe 	 Bodysuit: Mondor 3535 (01) True Pink Tights: Mondor 310 (Ballerina) Skirt: Mondor 16207 (01) True Pink Shoes: Bloch 205 (Pink) 	 Bodysuit: Energetiks Ophelia (Black) or Motionwear 2521 (Black) – while supplies last Tights: Mondor 314 Convertible (Ballerina) Skirt: Mondor 16100 (Black) Shoes: Bloch 205 (Pink)
ACRO (LEVEL 1 & 2)	ACRO (LEVEL 3 & 4)	JAZZ
 Bodysuit: Mondor 3535 (01) True Pink Shorts: Black dance shorts (lycra/ spandex) 	 Bodysuit: Energetiks Annabelle Bodysuit Shorts: Black dance shorts (lycra/ spandex) 	 Bodysuit or Fitted Crop Top/Sports Bra Dance Shorts or Leggings (Lycra/Spandex) No loose fitting clothing allowed Shoes: Black Slip On Split Sole
TAP (PRE/PRIM, PRIMARY & JR)	TAP (INTERMEDIATE & TEEN)	LYRICAL
 Shoes: Bloch 302 Maryjane (Beige) Bodysuit: Mondor 3535 (01) True Pink 	 Shoes: Black Oxford Bodysuit: Bodysuit any style or sports bra top 	 Shoes:Bloch Spin II Bodysuit or Fitted Crop Top/Sports Bra Dance Shorts or Leggings (Lycra/Spandex)
MUSICAL THEATRE & STAGE	HIP HOP & BREAKDANCE	HIP HOP (COMPETITIVE)
 Bodysuit or Fitted Crop Top/Sports Bra Dance Shorts or Leggings (Lycra/Spandex) Shoes: Black Slip On Split Sole 	 Shoes: Clean indoor Runners (no outside shoes allowed) Clothing: Loose top & Sweats or leggings No Jeans Allowed 	 Shoes: Clean indoor Runners (no outside shoes allowed) Clothing: Loose top & Sweats or leggings No Jeans Allowed

FEES &TUITION

REGISTRATION FEE

A non-refundable, non-transferable fee is due at registration; payable by cheque or credit.

SIBLING DISCOUNT

First child pays full price and all additional children receive 25% off classes. Discounts will be given to sibling with the lowest tuition fee.

COSTUME FEE

- \$90.00 deposit per company/competitive class.
- \$70.00 deposit per recreational class.

DUE OCTOBER 15TH

All dancers are required to purchase a costume for each performance class. All DanceForce. costume deposits become non-refundable as of November 1st. If you withdraw after this date, you will still be responsible for the full cost of the costume.

Please note – this is a deposit only, the total cost of a costume may be between \$70-\$185.

COMPETITION FEE

There are additional costs associated with competitive dancing. There are competition entry fees which range from \$50.00 to \$65.00 per group, per dance, per competition.

Competition fees will be collected November 15th, all competition fees are non-refundable.

Company groups will compete in up to five competitions per season and recreational classes will compete in 1-2 competitions throughout the season. Competitions take place between February to May each season.

FEE SCHEDULE

Tuition fees posted on your family account are based on your total annual fee (10 months of classes from September to June). We accept Visa, Mastercard, Cheque and E-Transfer. All cheques should be made payable to "The DanceForce. Studio Ltd."

Beginning the first day of classes 1/10th of your annual fee is due, all other subsequent payments are due on the 1st of the month beginning October 1st ending June 1st. All fees are payable by credit card payments or post-dated cheques. Once the tuition payment has been processed it is non-refundable, additionally, all lessons become nonrefundable as of December 1st.

An NSF Fee of \$35 will be charged on all returned cheques. After the 15th of the month, tuition fees not paid are considered past due and will automatically incur a \$35 late fee.

Please note – DanceForce. Studios Ltd. reserves the right to disallow the student from participating in classes until full payment has been received. All other fees – costumes etc will be invoiced as incurred.

2023/2024 FEES (GST INCLUDED)

GENERAL/COMPANY PROGRAM

- 45 Min. Weekly Class \$640
- 60 Min. Weekly Class \$740
- 75 Min. Hour Weekly Class \$825
- 90 Min. Hour Weekly Class \$925

PLEASE NOTE – MULTI-CLASS DISCOUNT PAY FULL PRICE FOR YOUR FIRST TWO CLASSES AND RECEIVE \$100 OFF EACH ADDITIONAL CLASS.

WITHDRAWAL

Refunds for class fees must be requested in writing by the 15th of the month prior to withdrawal. No refunds will be issued after December 1st without a Doctor's Note. Registration fees, costume deposits, and competition fees are nonrefundable. Any outstanding balance on your account for costumes, competitions and solo/duo fees at the time of withdrawal will still be your responsibility.

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