

Pirouette Productions Company Contract 2023

Casting:

Casting is based on the following criteria: technique, potential, commitment level, enthusiasm, attitude and behavior in class, attendance and stage presence. We place students together in groups that we feel will work best together in rehearsals and performances. Company members are selected by instructors and choreographers and will be invited into the appropriate Company pieces.

Attendance & Time Commitment:

A dance company is a team. Just as sports teams require all players to attend practices, dance companies require their dancers to attend all classes and rehearsals. Absences will not only affect the individual dancer, but the Company as a whole. ***Excused absences receive prior approval from the director; advance notice of absence does not mean it is excused.** The following are considered “excused” absences: Death in the family, scheduled school programs or performances required for credit, serious illness. Seriously ill or infectious dancers will watch company class/rehearsal on zoom. This must be arranged prior to rehearsal. Punctuality is just as important as attendance, please be on time and prepared for class. Two (2) occurrences of tardiness will count as an unexcused absence. Being a member of a dance company is a privilege and comes with responsibility. Personal accountability is essential for a successful season, and commitment to your other company members is a vital component of this success. When a member of the company is not present, it negatively impacts your entire team.

All dancers under 18 years old must be currently enrolled in a ballet class during the duration of the contract.

All rehearsals will be held on Sundays between the times of 9:00AM and 5:00PM. Rehearsals will begin on Sunday, August 6th and run through October 22nd. Tech week will be October 29th-November 2nd. There will be no rehearsals held on October 31st (Halloween). Shows will be on November 3rd and 4th.

Courtesy & Respect:

All Company members will be held to the highest standards of conduct. Communicating negatively about anyone in or outside our studio will not be tolerated. Company members are expected to show courtesy and respect to all instructors and other dancers. Any company member who exhibits repeated negative or disrespectful behavior will be asked to leave the Company. **Pirouette Productions dancers are always respectful, supportive, encouraging and are positive in spirit, attitude and behavior.**

Dress Code:

All Dance Company members must wear appropriate dancewear to every rehearsal. Forgetting dancewear, shoes, proper hair and/or wearing inappropriate clothing is not acceptable. The dress code for the Dance Company is as follows: Leotard (any color), dance tights and appropriate footwear. Athletic shorts and ballet skirts are optional. Hair must be securely pulled up for every class. Jewelry is not permitted while in class.

Financial Commitment:

All Dance Company Members are required to pay a performance fee of \$125. This fee helps pay for choreographers, directors, venue, lighting. Etc. There is also no more than a \$50 costume fee depending on casted pieces. This fee will cover any costume pieces company dancers will use for the performance. Each family is required to sell at least 1 ad in the program. If a family doesn't sell an ad, they will still be required to pay the ad fee. Payment invoices will be sent out within the upcoming weeks. Payment must be paid within 2 weeks of receiving your invoice.

Finally... Don't forget to have fun! You'll gain a lifetime of great memories and friendships during this time together so enjoy every second! We strive to make this the most positive and rewarding experience for our dancers and look forward to having a wonderful dance season. Please sign and return this page. Keep the Company contract for your reference. Both dancer and parent have read and understood all that is expected as a member of Pirouette Productions. We understand that these policies are created to ensure the absolute best training and most positive and rewarding experience for everyone. Both dancer and parent understand that failure to meet the conditions set forth in this contract could result in the dancer's dismissal from Pirouette Productions.

Studio you will be attending ballet class

Dancer's Printed Name: _____

Dancer's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent's Printed Name: _____

Parent's Signature: _____ Date: _____