



dance umbrella **2023-24** **REGISTRATION INFORMATION**

Classes begin **Saturday, September 9** and are held at the Mawson Rehearsal Hall and Studio 2 in the Confederation Centre of the Arts, and the Mack Studio at the Mackenzie Theatre.

REGISTRATION

TO REGISTER: *email* the registration form to dance@confederationcentre.com, *mail* to the address on the registration form (attention Callista Gilks) or leave it in the **drop-box** at the Richmond Street entrance of Confederation Centre.

Registration will not be guaranteed until payment has been received (in full, or with post-dated cheques or credit card authorization.)

SEMESTERS: Our season runs in two semesters from September to December (Fall), and January to May (Winter). When you register for classes in September it is assumed you'll be with us until May, unless otherwise stated. Prices outlined below reflect tuition for both semesters.

FALL DEADLINE: Registration for fall semester is open until October 6, 2023. New students will be accepted after this date on a case-by-case basis. Late registrations will not be pro-rated until after October 6, 2023.

WINTER DEADLINE: Winter semester is open for new students until January 22, 2024.

FEE STRUCTURE

*Fee Structure:	Total Due (When paid in full)	**Payment Plan: 1 st payment due with registration	2nd payment: October 23, 2023	3rd payment: January 29, 2024	4th payment: March 25, 2024
1 class per week	\$420.00	\$115.00	\$105.00	\$105.00	\$105.00
2 classes per week	\$760.00	\$200.00	\$190.00	\$190.00	\$190.00
3 classes per week	\$1040.00	\$270.00	\$260.00	\$260.00	\$260.00
4 classes per week	\$1320.00	\$340.00	\$330.00	\$330.00	\$330.00
5 classes per week	\$1600.00	\$410.00	\$400.00	\$400.00	\$400.00
6 classes per week	\$1880.00	\$480.00	\$470.00	\$470.00	\$470.00
***Musical Theatre	\$600.00	\$160.00	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$150.00

***Multiclass discounts apply to students or members of the same household taking more than one class per week. Students/households taking more than 3 classes per week should add \$280.00 per additional class (\$70.00 per payment)**

****To use the payment plan, a NON-REFUNDABLE administration fee of \$10.00 is included in the first payment. Payment is due on or before the dates listed above.**

*****Musical Theatre is not applicable for multiclass discounts**

ADDITIONAL FEES

COSTUME FEE: There is a NON-REFUNDABLE \$20.00 costume fee per child/student which aids in costume purchases and maintenance. Costume fee is in addition to the total due above and applied to the first payment if using payment plan (i.e. 2 classes per week, first payment will be \$220.00 which includes costume and payment plan fee). Costume fee does not apply to My Parent & Me, Creative Movement I, Dance for Health and Pre-Pointe classes.

SHOW TICKETS: Parent/guardian's will need to purchase tickets through box office to see Nutcracker, year-end showcase, and musical theatre show.

WORKSHOPS: Our workshop series is offered to dance umbrella students at a rate of \$5.00 per workshop.

PAYMENT DETAILS

METHOD OF PAYMENT: Cash, cheque, Visa, Mastercard, or American Express.

- **For the payment plan, post-dated cheques or credit card authorization must be included with registration, or alternate arrangements made with our office.** Cheques must be dated as outlined in the table above and are payable to **Confederation Centre of the Arts**.
- Unfortunately, we do not accept e-transfer for dance registration payments.

LATE OR INSUFFICIENT PAYMENTS:

- If payment is not up to date, the student cannot participate in class and may accrue interest of \$5.00 per week to overdue payments.
- A \$25.00 service fee will be charged for cheques returned by your financial institution.

REFUNDS: Refunds are available **up to October 6, 2023**, or if justified by a medical situation (a doctor's letter will be required.)

- The amount refunded will be equal to the amount paid minus the number of classes taken at \$15.00 per class.
- New students joining the winter semester may receive a refund after no more than two trial classes.

WITHDRAWAL: If a student chooses not to continue for the winter semester, written notice by email must be given to the Education Coordinator by **December 22, 2023**, and the third and fourth payments will not be processed.

- **It is the responsibility of the parent/participant to notify the office; otherwise, payments will be processed.**

SCHOLARSHIPS:

- Confederation Centre of the Arts is grateful to the Michael S. Schurman Family Foundation Fund for their support of Arts Education programming. We are proud to be able to offer financial assistance to students in our many Arts Education programs including: dance umbrella, summer camps, visual arts classes, and choral music. For more information on scholarships, or to apply, please contact dance@confederationcentre.com

ADDITIONAL TERMS

CLASS CHANGES: *dance umbrella* reserved the right to close/open/amend classes depending on the number of registered dancers. Families will be notified of any changes.

CLASS CANCELLATIONS: *dance umbrella* reserves the right to cancel classes due to weather conditions or instructor's illness. Classes cancelled due to inclement weather will not be rescheduled or refunded. Every effort will be made to run classes with a substitute in case of instructor illness, in the event the class is cancelled it will be rescheduled.

CLASS PLACEMENT: Students taking dance classes should feel confident, successful, and challenged. Students will be evaluated in class and may be moved to a different class to better match their skill level at the discretion of their instructor. Age, maturity, dance experience, and level of ability will be considered. Returning students will be notified with their class recommendations. New students should contact our office to receive a starting class recommendation.





2023-24 DANCE SEASON IMPORTANT DATES

Administrative Holidays/Closures Performances

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event:</u>	<u>Detail</u>
<i>Saturday, September 9</i>	First day of fall semester	
<i>Monday, September 18</i>	Performance Group Auditions	Mawson Rehearsal Hall at 7:00pm
<i>Saturday, September 30</i>	Truth and Reconciliation Day	NO CLASSES
<i>Friday, October 6</i>	Last day to register for fall semester	Last day for refunds
<i>Monday, October 9</i>	Thanksgiving	NO CLASSES
<i>Friday, October 13</i>	Nutcracker Cast Full Announcement	
<i>Monday, October 23</i>	Payment Plan 2 nd installment due	
<i>Tuesday, October 31</i>	Halloween – wear a costume!	OPEN – All classes running
<i>Saturday, November 11</i>	Remembrance Day	NO CLASSES
<i>Monday, November 13</i>	Statutory holiday	OPEN – All classes running
<i>Thurs, Nov 30 – Fri, Dec 1</i>	Nutcracker Rehearsal	Sobey Family Theatre
<i>Sat, Dec 2</i>	Nutcracker Performance Day	Sobey Family Theatre
<i>Sat, Dec 2</i>	Nutcracker: All regular classes cancelled	NO CLASSES
<i>Tues, Dec 12 – Mon, Dec 18</i>	Open House Week	Families welcome to observe classes
<i>Monday, December 18</i>	Last day of class for fall semester	
<i>Tues, Dec 19 – Sat, Jan 6</i>	Christmas Break	NO CLASSES
<i>Friday, December 22</i>	Last day to withdraw from winter semester	
<i>Monday, January 8</i>	First day of winter semester	
<i>Monday, January 29</i>	Payment Plan 3 rd installment due	
<i>Monday, February 19</i>	Islander Day	NO CLASSES
<i>Fri, Mar 22 & Sat, Mar 23</i>	Start of Winter Break in School	OPEN – All classes running
<i>Monday, March 25</i>	Payment Plan 4 th installment due	
<i>Mon, Mar 25 – Sat, Mar 30</i>	Winter Break	NO CLASSES
<i>Monday, April 1</i>	Easter Monday	OPEN – All classes running
<i>Wed, Apr 17 – Fri, Apr 19</i>	Musical Theatre Show Rehearsals	Specific call times per class TBD
<i>Saturday, April 20</i>	Musical Theatre Performance Day	All Musical Theatre classes
<i>Saturday, April 27</i>	My Parent & Me and Creative Movement I	Open House: families welcome to observe
<i>Monday, April 29</i>	Final day of regular classes	
<i>Tues, Apr 30 – Fri, May 3</i>	Annual Showcase rehearsals	All classes except My Parent & CM I
<i>Saturday, May 4</i>	Annual Showcase Performance	Matinee & Evening Performance

dance umbrella CLASS SCHEDULE 2023 – 2024

	Mawson Rehearsal Hall	Studio 2	Mackenzie Studio
Monday	5:30 – 6:30 Dance for Health 6:45 – 7:45 Hip Hop for boys ⁶	5:30 – 7:00 Senior Ballet 7:00 – 8:15 Performance Group ²	
Tuesday	4:15 – 5:30 Intermediate Ballet II 5:35 – 7:05 ITP Ballet 7:10 – 8:10 Teen Jazz	4:00 - 5:30 ITP Jazz 5:45 – 7:00 Intermediate Jazz II 7:15 – 8:45 Senior Jazz	
Wednesday	4:30 – 6:00 Senior Ballet 6:00 – 7:00 Int. Adult Ballet 7:00 – 8:00 Adult Contemporary	4:45 – 5:45 Junior Inclusive ⁴ 6:00 – 7:00 Beg. Adult Ballet 7:00 – 8:00 Teen Inclusive ⁴ 8:00 – 9:00 Adult Jazz	
Thursday	4:15 – 5:30 Intermediate Ballet II 5:30 – 7:00 ITP Ballet 7:00 – 8:00 Pointe ³	4:00 – 5:30 ITP Contemporary 5:40 – 6:40 Dance for Health 7:15 – 8:15 Acro I ¹ 8:15 – 9:15 Acro II ¹	6:00 – 7:15 Int. Contemporary II 7:15 – 8:00 Pre-Pointe
Friday	5:30 – 7:00 Senior Contemporary 7:00 – 8:15 Performance Group ²	6:00 – 7:30 Workshop Series ⁵	
Saturday	**9:00 – 9:45 Creative Movement III 9:50 – 10:50 Elementary Ballet II 10:55 - 11:55 Elementary Ballet I 12:00 - 1:00 Elementary Jazz I 1:15 – 2:15 Beg. Musical Th. 2:35 – 3:35 Int. Dance MT ⁷ 3:40 – 4:40 Elem. Dance MT ⁷	9:15 - 10:00 My Parent & Me 10:00 - 10:45 Creative Movement III 10:50 -11:35 Creative Movement I 11:40 - 12:25 Creative Movement II 12:30 - 1:30 Junior Jazz 1:30 - 2:30 Junior Ballet I 2:35 – 3:35 Elem. Drama MT ⁷ 3:40 – 4:40 Int. Drama MT ⁷	9:15 – 10:15 Beginner Contemp. 10:15 – 11:15 Elem. Jazz III 11:15 – 12:15 Elem. Ballet III 12:20 – 1:20 Int. Contemporary I 2:35 - 5:35 Senior Music Th.

¹ Acro is only available to students ages 9+ who are also taking a technique class in ballet, jazz, or contemporary. Acro I ages 9-12, Acro II ages 13+

² Performance Group is by audition only, audition information will be released in our pre-term newsletter.

³ Pointe class will begin the first week of classes, students will not need their pointe shoes until October 5.

⁴ Inclusive Dance is a creative movement program for students with physical, cognitive, or affective disabilities who may require additional accommodations in class.

⁵ Workshop Series is an educational series offering workshops to enhance students' health and dance training. A workshop schedule will be released each term, with a drop-in rate of \$5.00 for our students, \$10.00 to members of the community.

⁶ Hip Hop for Boys is a class designed to create a safe space for boys interested in starting dance aged 8 – 13 years.

⁷ Registering for Musical Theatre classes requires taking the Drama and Dance portions, this is included in the registration prices.





NUTCRACKER PERFORMANCE

It's Nutcracker year once again! Our cast for this show will rely heavily on our Performance Group dancers and ballet classes. While most rehearsals will take place during regularly scheduled classes, there will be additional times that you/your child will need to commit too. As choreography will start right away in the fall semester, this commitment means attending all dance classes leading up to the performance on December 2.

The following classes will be participating in the Nutcracker:

In addition to regular class time, all Nutcracker performers will be required for the following rehearsals:

	Date:	Location:	Time:	Detail:
Elementary Ballet III	Mon, Nov 20	Mawson	5:30 – 8:00pm	1 st run-through
Intermediate Ballet II	Fri, Nov 24	Mawson	5:30 – 8:00pm	2 nd run-through
Senior Ballet	Thurs, Nov 30	Theatre	4:00 – 8:00pm	Tech Rehearsal
ITP Ballet	Fri, Dec 1	Theatre	4:00 – 8:00pm	Dress Rehearsal
Pointe	Sat, Dec 2	Theatre	12:30 – 3:30pm	Matinee show at 2:00pm
Adult Ballet	Sat, Dec 2	Theatre	6:00 – 9:00pm	Evening show at 7:30pm
Musical Theatre				
Performance Group				

When registering for your classes, please consider this commitment. If there is any reason you/your child is unable to commit to the Nutcracker but would like to stay registered in the above class, please reach out to us and we can discuss options.

PERFORMANCE GROUP

Performance Group is an audition-based program for dedicated students who wish to develop their artistry and expand their performance opportunities. This is a non-competitive group and there is no charge to participate. Students learn repertoire throughout the year which may be performed at various opportunities in their communities, participate in workshops with visiting artists, and experience a taste of what it is to be part of a dance company. We are excited to announce that this year's performance group will be performing in our Nutcracker performance on December 2.

Please note that in addition to performance opportunities, students will participate in fundraising campaigns for their events and activities, there may be some additional costs for events not covered by fundraising/sponsorship which will be communicated as our fundraising goals are met.

Students must be age 12+ to audition and taking at least one technique class (ballet, contemporary, or jazz).

YEAR-END SHOWCASE

To conclude a wonderful dance season, we finish with our annual year-end showcase performance on Saturday, May 4. Rehearsals take place Tuesday, April 30 – Friday, May 3 from 4:00 – 8:00pm. A full rehearsal schedule will be released in January. Please note that Creative Movement I (3-year-old class) will have an in-studio presentation on Saturday, April 27 in lieu of participating in the on-stage performance.

CLASS OFFERINGS

For a complete list of our class offerings visit us online at <https://confederationcentre.com/arts-education/dance-umbrella/>

Acro

We are excited to announce the expansion of our Acro dance offerings. Acro offers strength and flexibility training while students learn acrobatic tricks, enhancing their abilities in their technique classes. Junior Acro is for ages 9-12, and Senior Acro for ages 13+. Please note that students must take a technique class in either jazz, contemporary, or ballet to be eligible for Acro dance.

NEW! Hip Hop for Boys

Hip Hop of Boys is a class designed to create a safe and engaging space for boys interested in learning dance! This class focuses on breaking down the barriers to movement for boys by introducing students to Hip Hop styles in a supported environment. Lead by instructor Joe Dames, Hip Hop for Boys is for ages 8-13.

Inclusive Dance

Inclusive Dance is a safe and welcoming space for dancers who may need additional accommodations due to cognitive, physical, or affective disabilities. This program allows students to explore dance and movement patterns at their own pace, while allowing their creativity to soar under the guidance of our trained educators and educational assistants. The Junior level is for ages 9-12 and the Senior level is for ages 13+. Inspired by the Boston Ballet's Adaptive Dance Program, Inclusive Dance is breaking down barriers to make dance accessible to students with disabilities.

My Parent & Me

Do you have a toddler who can't stop dancing, but you're not sure if they're ready to attend a class by themselves? My Parent & Me welcomes children ages 18 months to 3 years and their parents to come explore dance together through songs, games, and stories. This is a great precursor to our Creative Movement program.

Workshop Series

The Workshop Series offers training and education in supplementary dance topics ranging from nutrition, post-secondary advisement in the arts, choreography and more. A schedule will be released at the beginning of each term, the workshop series is a drop-in class at a cost of \$5.00 for dance umbrella students and \$10.00 for the island community.

QUESTIONS?

Please contact Callista Gilks, Education and Outreach Coordinator, at 902-628-6134 dance@confederationcentre.com.

