

SCOTTSDALE SCHOOL of BALLET
IMPORTANT PERFORMANCE INFORMATION AND CONTRACT

Dear Students and Parents,

Please read this information carefully and return your signed performance contract. Parent or guardian has 2 weeks from registration to turn in the contract agreement This will give us time to review the agreement and see if all requirements are met.

Our Winter performances are at the Paradise Valley Community College and the Spring at the Herberger Theater Stagemwest.

Performance Agreement Contract – On page 3, you will find the contract and for all returning students, contracts must be signed and Performance Fee paid with registration. **All new students must submit within 2 weeks** after registration is received. Performance Fees are below and once paid and the agreement is signed are **non-refundable**. If 3 or more students are enrolled from 1 family, the total Performance Fees will not exceed \$400 per family. Fees are a one time fee including both performances per performance year and fees remain the same whether you participate in Winter and /or Spring performances. Performance fees need to be paid within 2 weeks of registration and if fees are unpaid the student **will not be allowed to participate in the performances**.

Performing is a very rewarding and exciting experience for your children and an important part of their dance training. All classes, Level A - Advanced are expected to participate, however participation is not mandatory.

In signing the permission slip/contract, you/your child make a commitment to attend all assigned classes, all rehearsals, including technical and dress rehearsals, and both performances. It is crucial that dancers, (and parents), follow through with this commitment because the choreography, the teachers, and other dancers depend on it. In the circumstance of poor attendance, lack of preparation by a student, negative behavior, complaints about casting or excessive illness, the directors and teaching staff reserve the right to remove any dancer from the performance.

All parents/students are required to return a completed performance contract even if they are unable to perform. It is especially important for casting, choreography, and costuming that any dancers *not* participating in the performance notify us immediately by turning in your completed performance contract.

At the directors discretion, dancers may be invited to participate in additional dances. Also if your child is registered in an Advanced level and is a graduating student, there is no guarantee that they will dance the lead role in either Winter or Spring.

Additional rehearsals for Level A - Advanced may be done during class time. Non-performing students will also participate in these events and will not sit or observe during classes.

Once you receive the schedule of rehearsals, you must notify us immediately if your child may miss any rehearsals or classes. Winter Performance rehearsal schedules are usually available in September and Spring schedule is a available in February.

Volunteers

We would sincerely like to thank so many of you for the time and energy you have volunteered over the years. As you know, presenting a professional Winter Presentation and Spring Performance takes a lot of effort. We are so grateful for the volunteers who have committed their talent and time. While we encourage all parents to sign-up as volunteers in some capacity, you may not be chosen as volunteer for one or both performances. However, we will keep you on a list in case of emergency. Do understand that if you are chosen as a volunteer, you are making a

commitment to all of the requirements of that position. This is the highlight of their dancing year and we want it to be a positive and safe experience.

Volunteer commitment is not exclusive to performances. There is a multitude of other aspects leading up to performances that are very helpful. This can be anything from distributing flyers, arranging group ticket sales, bake sales or other events. If you have an idea for an event or volunteer position that may be helpful, please let us know.

We request that a volunteer commitment is made in some capacity from every family who has a child in the performances, This will ensure not only that we have enough volunteers to support the dancers, but to fill other duties. There are a multitude of fun and interesting jobs and we're confident you'll find one that will work for you.

Please remember that all backstage helpers, (along with several other jobs), and all backstage volunteers **must** attend the final theater rehearsals as well as performances.

How it will work:

Sign-up at the Front Desk as a volunteer. Once the list is complete we will designate volunteer positions for the backstage and rehearsal requirements and other duties listed. We realize everyone's time is incredibly valuable and have done a lot of work to ensure these jobs are an efficient and effective use of your time. So if you feel you will be unable to complete a designated position, we will fill that position and find something else for you. General questions can be directed to the appointed SSB Volunteer Coordinator.

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PERFORMANCE AGREEMENT CONTRACT FOR PERFORMANCES

This is to acknowledge that I have read the performance information and contract concerning the SSB rehearsals from October - December and January – May depending on Level (please check your level on the schedule) and performances in December. I understand that the performance fee to participate is required and have reviewed these fees for my child/children.

Performance Fees are: **Level A and B = \$145**
 Level C and 1 = \$155
 Level 2 & 3 = \$170
 Intermediate - Advanced = \$180

I am also aware that all fees are due with registration, and as a new student within 2 weeks of my registering and that all performance fees are **non refundable**. I further acknowledge that I realize that the SSB directors and teaching staff reserves the right to withdraw a student from the performance for poor attendance or any other negative circumstance detrimental to the other students or performance. In signing the permission slip/contract you/your child make a commitment to attend all assigned classes, all rehearsals, including technical and dress rehearsals, and both performances of Winter and Spring.

Theater arrival times for dancers in different sections to be announced in detail with your “Theater Schedule”. Winter Performances are currently scheduled for December 17th 1:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. and Spring performances will be on Saturday May 20th, at 7:00 PM and Sunday, May 21st at 2:30 p.m. Participation in all rehearsals and both performances is mandatory.

Please indicate below all known dates when the dancer will *not* be able to attend class or any already known circumstance that may interfere with regular dance classes, rehearsals or Performances. Once we review these dates, If there are several conflicts, we may request that you opt out of the performances.

I have read all the Performance information and have discussed and gone over the commitment with my child. My signature below indicates that we understand the performance procedures and we are prepared to follow them. We understand there will be additional studio and theater rules and procedures regarding the rehearsals and performances that we will be expected to follow. I also recognize that there is a requested volunteer commitment from every family.

Dancer's Name (please print) _____ Level _____

_____ Will participate in the rehearsals and performances
_____ Will NOT participate in the rehearsals and performances

Parent/ Gaurdian Signature _____ Date _____

Address _____ Phone _____

E-mail _____