



THE BASE PERFORMING ARTS

Building exceptional dancers from the ground up

MINI PROGRAM 2020

The Base Performing Arts 'Mini Program' is for dancers aged 5-6 years. This is our first glimpse into the "big kid" world of dancing. In Our Mini classes, our focus is placed on learning the fundamentals of various styles and skills while also working to develop coordination, musicality, self-expression and social interaction within a structured and disciplined environment. Classes are creative, fun and imaginative. Students have the option to take the classes as recreational students with no extra commitment or they have the opportunity to dive in and participate in our performance team and examinations.

All students are given the opportunity to participate in our end of year production to showcase the hard work they've put in throughout the year to their family and friends.

We offer our Mini students the following classes:

JAZZ

Jazz is an energetic and fun class where students learn technical elements such as turns, kicks and leaps as well as combination work all set to modern music. Students will learn the correct way to warm up their bodies, stretch safely and strengthen the bodies all in preparation for some seriously smooth moves. Flexibility, strength and coordination are some of the benefits of training in jazz.

BALLET

Ballet is the most important class of a dancers week. It is a challenging display of poise and grace and requires discipline, strength, balance and agility. Students that train in ballet are taught the correct ways to execute classical ballet steps and are encouraged to have self discipline of the body and mind. Not only is classical important in its own right, it prepares dancers for the challenges of jazz and other classically based styles such as contemporary and lyrical.

TAP

Tap is the most rhythmic of the dance forms and is an excellent way to increase & develop a sense of rhythm, timing and expression.

ACROBATICS

Acrobatic classes offer a fun and inspiring way to move. Students start with fundamentals and work their way up to more advanced skills. Students will develop excellent gross motor skills and core strength along with impressive flexibility. All activities are done in a safe and progressive manner with an emphasis on strength and body posturing to ensure each individual is capable of the skills they're being taught.

PERFORMANCE TEAM

In our Mini performance team students will have the opportunity to perform in front of audiences at special events as well as compete at competitions. There is extra time & financial commitments required to be part of the Performance team and we ask that all families review what is required before participating.. If you are interested, please tick it on the 2020 registration form so that you can be kept in the loop for details.

EXAMINATIONS

Examinations provide a carefully structured training system, ensuring that students are challenged in a safe, age-appropriate manner. They help provide short-term goals for students to aspire and work towards.

We offer examinations in the CSTD syllabus in Modern Jazz and Classical ballet. Students are required to attend a certain amount of classes per week to be eligible for examinations. Exams are held in early October, with entries closing early August. Examinations require extra financial and time commitment.

AGE ALLOCATIONS

Mini students age is taken from the 1st January 2020. All students must be 5 by this date.

FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS

We are moving to a complete Direct Debit system. Families will have the option to pay the term upfront on the first Monday of every term or pay weekly installments over the 10 weeks. Weekly installments will come with additional charges. All families will need to enrol in our Direct Debit system before the first class in January. You will receive an updated payment policy in the new year,