

COASTAL DANCE
CONCERT
HANDBOOK 2020



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IMPORTANT COVID INFORMATION

To put on an end of year production in 2020 we have had to submit a Covid Safe Plan to Somerset College which has been approved to allow us to hold a concert. We apologise that some of these changes may be an inconvenience, but we will do anything to give our students a chance to perform on stage in 2020! It is important that all Covid Safe Plan protocols are respected and followed at all times. Some important changes in 2020 are:

- **Students are not allowed to do hair or makeup at the studio (photo day) or the venue (show day). Students will need to arrive with hair & makeup done.**
- **Tickets will be sold manually from reception. We are limited to a 50% capacity in the theatre to comply with Covid restrictions. The auditorium will be sold in a checkerboard pattern with every second seat available.**
- **There will be no refunds offered on tickets. You are welcome to resell them within the studio.**
- **A contact tracing list will need to be submitted to the venue and details from all attending will need to be collected prior to the day.**

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CONCERT INFORMATION

Concert Location:

Somerset College Performing Arts Centre

Concert Dates:

Sunday 29th of November 2020 5:00pm

Monday 30th of November 2020 6:00pm

IMPORTANT DATES

Tickets On Sale: Sunday 15th of November from 9:00am

Photo Day: Thursday 26th of November

Costume Invoices Due: Saturday 21st of November

Studio Rehearsal: Saturday 28th of November 9:00am

Venue Rehearsal: Sunday 29th of November from 9:00am

Concert #1: Sunday 29th of November 5:00pm

Concert #2: Monday 30th of November 6:00pm

EOY Party: Saturday 7th of December from 10:00am

General Concert Information

The opportunity to perform in a concert is an exciting, empowering and confidence-building part of the training process. This is where we love to watch our students learn about the theatre, rehearsals and teamwork while they enjoy the opportunity to showcase their skills in a professionally run production. Concerts are a wonderful way for students to share the results of their hard work and for family and friends to join in the pride of their achievement. We love giving all students the chance to perform for their family and friends in this supportive and fun environment and encourage even our youngest and newest performers to be involved.

In terms of attendance, it is very important that students do not miss any of their scheduled classes between now and concert time so they can spend their rehearsal time together to perform their routines, feel confident and look amazing! If your child is sick for class but well enough to come and watch, this is preferable to missing out altogether. If for any reason your child will miss any of their regular classes in Term 4, we ask that you email reception at info@coastaldance.com.au to let us know in advance if you have not already done so. Please note that unfortunately any families with unpaid dance or costume fees will not be allowed to participate in our concert.

This is without doubt the highlight of our year and we are full of excitement to show you how hard our dancers have been working! 2020 has thrown a lot of challenges especially at the performing arts and we are incredibly thankful that our students have been given the opportunity to perform on stage.

Concert Times and Location

This year our concert will be held at the **Somerset College Performing Arts Building**. We have two shows this year on **Sunday the 29TH of November at 5:00pm & Monday the 30th of November at 6:00pm**. The show runs for approximately 3 hours.

Rehearsals

Dress and technical rehearsals are an important part of preparing for our concerts. This is where we get to see the costumes working on stage in a group to really compliment the dances your children have been working so hard on throughout the year. It also gives us a chance to make any adjustments and ensure that everyone has time to get ready between their dances.

Even more importantly, it gives the stars of our show a chance to get up and rehearse on the big stage – a very different environment than they are used to within the studio walls. They can overcome some of the jitters that may hit when the bright lights come on and really prepare themselves for the show ahead. It is a fun and rewarding experience and a great chance to bond with their classmates and watch some inspiring dancers as they wait for their turn in the spotlight.

We have a full cast rehearsal on **Saturday the 28th of November** at our **Coastal Dance** studios from 9:00am – 12:00pm. All students are required to stay for the duration of the rehearsal with the exception of our Petit Pointers who are required from 9:00 – 9:30am. Students will wear their normal dancewear throughout the rehearsal and will need to bring any shoes required.

The theatre dress rehearsal is at **Somerset College** on **Sunday the 29th of November**. Students will need to arrive by the time stated in the rehearsal schedule and bring along any shoes and tights required for the concert. Performers can wear any sort of tights for the rehearsal to keep their tights clean for the show. Students will be dropped off and picked up at the stage door by their parent or guardian. Only performers will be allowed backstage in compliance with our Covid Safe Plan and venue capacities.

As part of our Covid Plan students will be given a plastic bucket with their name clearly labelled to bring to the venue. This is the only thing that they will bring with them. To comply with our Covid Plan students are not to bring dance bags to limit personal belongings. We ask that all clothing items are clearly labelled, and children are asked to bring one healthy snack and a bottle of water. Our staff and volunteers will ensure that children are reminded to drink water regularly and can eat their snack if necessary.

DVDs

In conjunction with copyright and child safety laws, personal photography or video recording is strictly prohibited. We will be using David Fuller Productions again this year to film our show. You can pre-purchase a DVD for \$65.00 or this year we are offering a USB for \$75.00,

Photo Day

We are so excited to have our fabulous professional photographers, Move Photography taking snaps of our dancers to create some wonderful keepsakes from our concert. Photo day will take place at **Coastal Dance** on **Thursday 26th of November** and will involve all our dancers. Performers will be photographed in full costume with hair and make-up done just as they would have for the show. Due to time restrictions, we will only be able to shoot one individual photo and one group photo per dance group. If you wish to arrange another time for class friends or family group photos in Concert Costumes, please contact us for a separate time slot. Photos can be purchased from movephotography.net with an access code that will be released on the day. Prices start at \$10 for an instant digital download.

For copyright and child safety reasons, we do not allow any photographs to be taken during the show by anyone other than our contracted photographer. We also cannot allow parents or friends to take photos of students posed and in costume during our official Photo Day, as it can be very distracting and compromise the quality of our reasonably-priced professional photographs.

This year we will be allocating time slots to each age group to follow our Covid Safe Plan room capacities. All levels will start with ballet (please arrive in ballet tights) then move onto the other genres. Parents are not required to stay. We will have a team of dressers to get the students ready. A reminder that students are not permitted to do hair or makeup at the studio and must arrive ready.

Age Group	Photo Time Slot
Petit Pointers	4:15 – 4:30pm
Pre-Junior / Primary Ballet	4:30 – 5:00pm
Junior / A & B / Prep Level 1 / Level 1 / Group 1 & 2 Acro	5:00 – 6:00pm
Eisteddfod Groups	6:00 – 6:30pm
Intermediate & Senior (All classes)	6:30 – 8:00pm

Tickets

Due to Covid restrictions, this year tickets will be sold manually from reception. Tickets will go on sale Sunday the 15th of November from 9:00am at the studio. They will also be available to purchase each afternoon from the quarter past to quarter to the hour. The auditorium will be sold in a checkerboard pattern with every second seat available. One the night families are welcome to move together leaving the spare seats between each separate group.

Unfortunately, we will not be able to offer refunds on tickets. We will be required to submit a contact tracing details for each attending person with details being collected when tickets are purchased.

Adult tickets can be purchased for \$40 each, with Children's (aged 3-17 years) and Pensioners tickets priced at \$30 each. Limited tickets may also be available on the door if not sold out prior.

We do not charge for children under 3 years old to attend the concert, unless they will be occupying their own seat. We also ask that you consider our dancers and other audience members when bringing young children to watch, and if they become loud, distressed or disturb any other audience members, to please take them outside to let off a bit of steam before returning to enjoy the rest of the show.

Costumes

To keep costs at a minimum, we provide all concert costumes to our students for a hire fee of \$25 per tutu (ballet classes) or \$15 per costume (all other genres). We ask that this be paid no later than **Saturday the 21st of November**. Once paid, your costumes will be brought to Photo Day, Dress Rehearsal and Concert Day for you. Please do not take home any costume pieces throughout show week. A deposit of \$30 was added to your Term 4 invoice and will be deducted from your final concert invoice.

Please do not attempt to wash or remove stains from any hired costumes as they are laundered as a group. If your costume does get stained or damaged, please notify the studio immediately for us have a look and to fix the problem. Unfortunately, any damage or staining to hired costumes once they have been collected may incur a fee.

Audience Protocols

Following our Covid Safe Plan there will be some changes to the way our audience enters and exits the theatre. Ticket groups are to gather outside the theatre and will be admitted when their entire party has arrived. Ushers will then bring in each group to limit the amount of people in the foyer. At the end of the show ushers will guide the audience out of separate exits to limit congestion. These protocols played an important part in having our Covid Safe Plan approved and we appreciate your co-operation.

Shoes, Stockings & Hair Styles

Please follow the table below for the required shoes, tights and hairstyles for the concert. All stockings & shoes are available to purchase from reception. Please note: only Energetiks or Tan Professionals are to be worn as the colours vary by brand. Please DO NOT purchase Bloch fishnets. Shoes should be in new or as new condition. If your shoes need a little bit of love, Waproo Colour Paint can be used to bring the shoes back to new condition. See Chris in reception if in doubt and before photo day!

Class	Shoes	Tights	Hair
Petit Pointers	Ballet Shoes with Elastics	Ballet Tights	Ballet Bun
Primary Ballet	Ballet Shoes with Elastics	Ballet Tights	Ballet Bun
Prep Level 1 Ballet	Ballet Shoes with Elastics	Ballet Tights	Ballet Bun
Level 1 Ballet to Level 4	Ballet Shoes with Elastics	Ballet Tights	Ballet Bun
Level 5 & Senior Level Ballet	Ballet Shoes with Ribbons	Ballet Tights	Bun
Pre-Junior – Junior B Jazz	Tan Jazz Shoes	Tan Fishnet	Curly Scrunchie
Intermediate Jazz	Tan Jazz Shoes	Tan Fishnet	Low Ponytail
Senior Jazz	Tan Chorus Shoes	Tan Fishnets	Low Ponytail
Pre-Junior – Junior B Tap	Tan Tap Shoes	Tan Fishnets	Curly Scrunchie
Intermediate Tap	Tan Tap Shoes	Tan Fishnets	Low Bun
Senior Tap	Black Lace Up Tap	Black Fishnets	Low Ponytail
All Contemporary	No Shoes	Pink Stirrups	Bun
Group 1 Acro	Tan Jazz Shoes	Tan Fishnets	Bun
Group 2 Acro	No Shoes	TBC	Bun
Group 3 Acro	No Shoes	Tan Stirrup	Bun
Junior Musical Theatre	Coloured Sandshoes	Coloured Tights	Bun
Senior Musical Theatre	Tan Fishnets	Tan Chorus	Bun
Hip Hop	Sandshoes	N/A	Ponytail

All students are required to wear skin-coloured underwear (available from reception) under all costumes in the interest of child protection. Please have your child wear the required concert underwear to photo day so we can ensure it is appropriate. All tights, shoes & undies are available from reception!

Grooming – Hair and Makeup

Hair and makeup must be done prior to arriving to the studio for photo day or the venue for the concert. Hair must be neatly slicked with gel and hairspray (no flyaway bits please). You can view a tutorial on how to do a ballet bun [HERE](#). We have also put together a tutorial for makeup which you can view [HERE](#). We have great make-up sets available from reception for \$29.95 which has all the required eyeshadows, blush & lipstick.

Tiny Tots & Pre-Juniors

Foundation, pink blush and white/cream eye shadow, mascara (if they will let you!) and red lipstick.

Juniors

Foundation, blush, white/cream & brown eye shadow, mascara, eyeliner and red lipstick.

Intermediate & Seniors

Foundation, blush, white/cream & brown eyeshadow, mascara, black eyeliner, false eyelashes and red lipstick.

Finale

One of our favourite parts of the concert is our finale in which all students come together on stage as a team for their bow. Your finale costume will be either your favourite costume or the last costume worn if you're in one of the final routines.

Concert Procedures

As always, the safety of our dance family is our #1 priority. ALL students are to have their name marked off when they arrive at the venue. If your child has any medical conditions that may require attention whilst in our care or are carrying any medication with them, please notify our supervisors when you sign in. To follow our approved Covid Plan performers MUST arrive to the studio (photo day) and venue (show) with their hair & makeup already done.

Students are not permitted to leave the venue while the rehearsal and concert is running unless previously arranged with staff. No student is to leave the backstage area during interval, no exceptions. Only Coastal Dance staff and registered parent helpers are permitted backstage.

Please do not bring anything valuable, especially electronic devices. Mobile phones are not to be taken backstage or in the changing areas during the concert. Our studio and the venue will take no responsibility if an item is damaged, misplaced, lost or stolen.

Private videography and photography is strictly prohibited as we will have professionals attending on the day to provide these services for us leaving you free to sit back and enjoy the show in the moment!

What to bring

Students are only to bring their plastic (clearly named) bucket to the venue. No dance bags are to be brought to the venue. Please ensure any medication required is packed and clearly labelled with instructions. Your dance shoes, stockings and dance underwear should be clearly labelled. We'll bring the costumes! Students will already have their hair and makeup done so they will only need to bring some spare hairpins, hairspray and lipstick for touch ups.

FOOD AND DRINK - Costumes are easily ruined by food and drink stains. Students are not permitted to leave backstage area so please pack enough snacks and water for the entire time. There will be no canteen this year so any food or drink will have to be bought offsite. It is important our dancers have something nutritious to keep their energy up as well as something that won't stain – this means NO fast food, cheese snacks and chips, etc. NO nuts or nut products. They also need to bring A LOT of labelled water – NO soft drink, cordial, poppers or juice as it stains the costumes. This is for both the rehearsal and concert.

The Party Dress Tradition

As concerts are a learning experience for our students to learn about the theatre, we created a tradition that has our students arrive & leave the venue in a 'party dress'. If you have any questions about the party dress tradition, please don't hesitate to ask.

Presentation Day

We appreciate that concert day can be a long and tiring one, especially for our youngest dancers. For this reason, we will do not hold a formal presentation ceremony, but would love to invite all our dance families to join us for a celebration and party on **Saturday 5th of December** at **Winder's Park, Currumbin Creek**. This is a great chance to mingle with everyone and join the kids celebrating in a fun and relaxed environment. The party starts from 10:00am and we hold our awards presentation at 11:00am.