CENTRESTAGE DANCE

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Welcome to CentreStage Dance! We would like to thank you all for your unbelievable support throughout this past season, all previous seasons, and welcome you if you are new to our studio. We are all looking forward to having another exciting year of dance with you all!

This newsletter will serve as a guide to this entire year's events. **Please take the time to read this thoroughly as it has many important dates for the entire dance season**. Keep it handy and refer to it regularly to help keep you informed.

CLASSES BEGIN MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14TH, 2026.

EMAIL

ALL updates, reminders, as well as your Spring Newsletter with Recital Guidelines will be sent via email. *If you do not receive an email by the end of the first week of classes, please notify the studio **via email** at info@centrestagedance.com to ensure that we have your correct email address. Also check your junk mail! If our emails are going to your junk mail, add us as a "favorite" on a PC (not from a phone, iPad, or laptop) and it should resolve this. *

DANCE ATTIRE REQUIREMENTS

You will also receive the guidelines outlining the appropriate attire and footwear required to participate in dance class. Street clothes such as jean-shorts and jeans do not allow for freedom of movement. These requirements are **mandatory** to enable the teacher to detect and correct students' body alignment. Please follow our guidelines as they are designed for the safety of our students. Please be sure to label all shoes and clothing with the dancer's name. **BALLET CLASS ATTIRE WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED!**

DANCE ETIQUETTE & BEHAVIOR

We look forward to creating a positive atmosphere for all students attending the studio. It is our responsibility to show appropriate and respectful behavior towards the students and in turn, we feel the students should be respectful and show appropriate behavior towards all teachers, reception staff, and other students while on the premises. If any problems occur, parents will be contacted, and a solution will be discussed.

BULLYING & VANDALISM

We have zero tolerance towards any type of bullying, whether physical or emotional. In today's day and age, bullying is becoming a huge problem, and it will not be tolerated here at CentreStage Dance. Any students caught bullying risk being dismissed from the studio. Any students caught mistreating or vandalizing the premises will be dismissed from the studio.

THEFT

Any students caught stealing items from the studio (whether belonging to the studio or to other dancers) will be dismissed from the studio. Please leave your valuable items at home, as we want to minimize the risk. The studio and its faculty are not responsible for any lost or stolen articles. We understand that some valuables are brought to the studio such as air pods, iPads, cell phones, laptops, and wallets when the students come straight from school, but we would like to remind everyone to always take valuables into class with them.

ATTENDANCE & COMMITMENT

During each dance season, students work on a choreographed dance, which will be performed in the year-end recital. Students gain a great sense of pride and accomplishment through hard work and dedication. Our goal is to see each student improve his or her performance and technical skills throughout each year. A successful performance requires both regular attendance and commitment to dance classes. Please remember dancing is a **TEAM EFFORT**, no different than any other sport and we all rely on each other to be there. Therefore, we ask that students attend their classes regularly. Students missing 4 or more consecutive classes (without just cause) may, at the discretion of the teacher, be excluded from the year-end performance.

Please contact the studio via email if your child will be absent from class.

STUDENT PLACEMENT

Upon registration, you will receive a day and time for your child to attend dance class. Occasionally, a teacher will see a need to place a student into a class that is better suited to their age or individual abilities. During the months of September and October, the teacher may suggest to parents an alternative day and time for their child to attend class. Our goal is for the students to enjoy their dance experience and feel good about their accomplishments.

Please note: Studio schedules are subject to change.

EXAM CLASSES

Exam classes are recommended for the more advanced, serious, and dedicated students. Exams offer students an excellent opportunity to enhance their technical skills and achieve higher levels in dance. Please ask to see our detailed printout outlining this program.

COMPETITIVE CLASSES

In addition to our ***Recreational*** *program*, and our ***Company*** *program*, we also have our fantastic **"Competitive"** program! This exciting program is perfect for students ages 8 and up (with at least 2 years of dance) and parents who would like to have some extra fun throughout the season and experience the competition scene on a smaller scale, with less of a time and financial commitment! Please ask to see our detailed printout outlining this program.

HOLIDAYS AFFECTING SUNDAY, MONDAY, AND FRIDAY CLASSES

On **Tuesday, June 1st, 2027,** we will be holding our annual "Make-Up Class Day" for students affected by holidays and statutory holidays. On this day, students can take an assortment of different classes.

Please note: Classes cancelled due to weather conditions beyond our control will not be rescheduled, but you may also attend the make-up class day.

FAMILY VIEWING

Family viewing week will be held **Monday, January 11th to Saturday, January 16th, 2027**. During this week, family members are invited to view their child's class. Parents bringing small children are asked to keep them seated during this time. We ask that during family viewing all cell phones and electronic devices be turned OFF.

BRING A FRIEND WEEK

One of our favorite weeks! Bring A Friend Week! This year our "Bring A Friend Week" will take place **Monday, June 14th – Saturday, June 19th.**

Your children may invite a friend to come and participate in this week's class alongside them!

SPRING BREAK 2027

School District #42 this season rolls Spring Break into the Easter Weekend. Spring Break will be held **Monday, March 15th to Monday, March 29th.**

Classes will resume **Tuesday, March 30th, 2027.**

DANCE CONVENTIONS

Each season various companies host dance conventions in the Vancouver area. The conventions are intensive 2-to-3-day workshops offering classes in various disciplines from world-renowned choreographers. Our students that attend conventions each season learn amazing choreography and always have a great time! There are usually 3 levels offered: Beginner, Intermediate, and Advanced. Students interested in attending a convention should be taking more than one style of dance, to get the most benefit from the workshop. Please email us or see the websites below to register!

If your company dancer did not attend our Summer Intensive, they will be required to attend one convention

Groove Street: October 24th and 25th 2026– Hyatt Regency, Vancouver
gspdanceconventions.com/gspvancouver

Nuvo: November 13th, 14th, and 15th 2026 – TBA, Vancouver
https://gonuvo.com/

Power Dance Convention: November 28th & 29th 2026- Sheraton Vancouver Airport Hotel, Richmond
powerdanceconvention.com

View Dance Convention: November 29rd 2026 – Hyatt Regency, Vancouver
viewdancechallenge.com/convention/vancouver-bc/

Street Groove: 2027 – TBA, Vancouver
gspdanceconventions.com/streetgroove

PHOTO SESSION

We are excited to once again be using **VIBRANT PHOTOS** as our photographer this year.

After your photo day you will be emailed a link to create your personal page with Vibrant Photos! Please note that our Intermediate/Senior/Comp photo shoot is the last weekend before returning from Spring Break as our free weekends here are very limited due to holiday closures, competitions etc!

- **INTERMEDIATE / SENIOR / COMP PHOTOS -** Saturday April 3rd & Sunday April 4th, 2027
- **JUNIOR / INTERMEDIATE PHOTOS -** Saturday May 1st & Sunday May 2nd, 2027

Class and individual photos are taken of the students each year at the studio. Exact days and time slots for your child's photos will be posted in the lobby of the studio and emailed out prior to the photo sessions. You will receive a link to download the hair/makeup and shoes/tights needed for each number as well.

LOST & FOUND.

The lost and found bin is in the girls' changing room. We will be donating the items left in the lost and found to charities at Christmas, Spring Break, and Year End. Please look through all the items to see if any belong to you or your family.

YEAR END RECITALS 2027

In June 2027, we will be holding our annual Dance Recitals at The ACT Theatre.
The students work hard on their dances during the year, and the recital is a great way to bring the dance season to a close. As the year end approaches, we all share in the enthusiasm and excitement. Seeing our dancers onstage in their costumes, celebrating their accomplishments, and sharing their excitement is why we do what we do! Each dance will be performed in two of the five shows, and it is very important that all dancers attend both performances. **Like any other team activity, their teams rely on them.**

Dress Rehearsals at the ACT
Wednesday, June 2nd – Thursday, June 3rd, 2027

Year End Recitals at the ACT
Wednesday, June 9th – Saturday, June 12th, 2027

Rehearsal and Recital Line-Ups will be emailed out and posted May 1st, 2027.
Tickets will go on sale one month prior to recital.
All Rehearsal & Recital information as well as ticket sale instructions will be in your "Spring Newsletter" and "Recital Guidelines" which will be emailed out just prior to Spring Break!

We would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank all the friends, family, and parents for volunteering their time at our rehearsals, recitals, and community events. We cannot thank you enough for your support each and every year. We would not be able to do it without you!

Please understand that we have set recital dates on rotation with other studios at The Act Theatre, and that we do not get to choose our dates from year to year.

COSTUMES

For the recitals, the students will need a costume. We try very hard to keep the costumes reasonably priced and try to, if possible, keep costs to under $120.00 (with tax included). Costumes may be purchased, or sewn by seamstresses, whichever proves to be the most economical.

COSTUME DEPOSIT - $65.00 PER RECREATIONAL CLASS - DUE UPON REGISTRATION

This deposit will be due upon registration to ensure your child's spot in the class and the $65.00 will be deducted from the total cost of the costume. The costume deposit must be paid before your child begins classes, and the balance will be due in the Spring upon completion.

Costumes WILL NOT be handed out until the final balance is paid, as well as ALL outstanding fees.

COSTUME DEPOSIT & REFUND POLICY

From September, through to November 1st, 2026, $15.00 of the costume deposit will be withheld upon cancellation of classes to cover administrative fees. Costume Deposits will **NOT** be refunded after November 1st, 2026. Costumes started or completed at the time of cancellation **must be paid for in full**. (For our company and competitive classes, the $80.00 costume deposit is non-refundable after the first day of classes Monday, September 14th, 2026.)

Any costumes started or completed at the time of cancellation will have the balance owing due.

DANCE FEES

All monthly fees will be paid by Pre-Authorized Withdrawals. Payments will be debited from your accounts on the 1st and/or the 15th of each month from September through June. We have based our monthly fee on your child receiving 34 classes per dance season. The 34 classes are multiplied by the cost per class and then divided by 10 to arrange equal monthly payments.

This way, your monthly fee remains the same all season. Depending on the year, your child may not have a class in June, but there will still be a monthly fee this month for classes received. If you have any further questions regarding this, please feel free to email or call the studio!

N.S.F. Fees: Our fee for all N.S.F. pre-authorized payments and cheques is $25.00.

IMPORTANT - For all outstanding fees, each additional month that your account is in arrears, an additional $10.00 will be charged to your account.

REGISTRATION FEE - $55.00 ($65.00 late registration fee as of September 1st)

Please note, if you come in to register prior to September 1st, but do not pay the registration fee until after September 1st, you will owe the $65.00 late registration fee.

Your registration fee covers not only all registration costs, but as well as ensures that each student will receive an online HD quality media package of ALL SHOWS! You do not need to order your child's recital videos or take photos! You will automatically get them both! You will receive a link to download your videos, as well as professional photos of all shows (valued at well over $300)!

CANCELLATION AND REFUND POLICY

Students withdrawing permanently from class, upon receiving written cancellation via email Prior to the end of Spring Break, will have pre-authorized payments stopped, **with a full month's notice as of the 1st of each month**.

$15.00 of the costume deposit will be withheld upon cancellation, for administrative fees.

Effective as of the last day of Spring Break each season; April through June monthly fees still be charged upon cancellation without a doctor's note.

Recreational Costume Deposits will not be refunded as of November 1st, 2026.
Competitive and Company Costume Deposits will not be refunded after September 14th, 2026.

CANCELLATION OF CLASSES MUST BE RECEIVED IN WRITING VIA EMAIL.

ONE MONTH'S NOTICE AS OF THE 1st OF EACH MONTH IS REQUIRED.
Telephone cancellations or handwritten notes will not be considered valid.

$55.00 Registration Fee (or $65.00 late registration fee, as of Tuesday, September 1st) is non-refundable

CentreStage Dance 2026/2027 Calendar

Monday, September 14th – First Day of Classes – Studio OPEN

Wednesday, September 30th – National Day for Truth and Reconciliation – Studio CLOSED

Saturday, October 10th – (Long Weekend) - Studio OPEN

Monday, October 12th – Thanksgiving Monday – Studio CLOSED
*Please note that Exam and Company classes **WILL** still hold classes*

Saturday, October 24th and Sunday, October 25th – Groove Street Dance Convention

Monday, October 26th – Saturday, October 31st – Halloween Costume Week (students can dress up for class!)

Saturday, October 31st – Halloween – Studio OPEN

Sunday, November 1st – Rec Costume Deposit non-refundable (Also last day to register or switch classes)

Wednesday, November 11th – Remembrance Day – Studio OPEN

Friday, November 13th – Sunday, November 15th – Nuvo Dance Convention

Saturday, November 28th & Sunday, November 29th – Power Dance Convention

Sunday, November 29rd – View Dance Convention

Monday, December 14th through Saturday, December 19th – Crazy Christmas Week

Saturday, December 19th– Last Day before Winter Break – Studio OPEN

Monday, December 21st through Saturday, January 2nd – Winter Break – Studio CLOSED

Monday, January 4th – Classes Resume – Studio OPEN

Monday, January 11th to Saturday, January 16th – Family Viewing Week

Monday, February 15th – Family Day – Studio OPEN

Saturday, February 20th & Sunday, February 21st – Gala/Competition Rehearsals – Surrey Arts Centre
(Competitive & Company dancers) ***TENTATIVE***

Monday, March 15th to Monday, March 29th – SD42 Spring Break & Easter Weekend– CLOSED

Tuesday, March 30th – Classes Resume – Studio OPEN
*April – June Dance fees now non-refundable without a doctor's note

Saturday, April 3rd & Sunday, Sunday, April 4th – Company / Competitive / Intermediate / Senior Photo Shoot

Tuesday, April 6th – Sunday, April 11th – Paradym, Coquitlam (all youth Company, not adults)

Sunday, April 19th – Saturday, April 25th – Synergy Competition, Burnaby (all youth Company)

Monday, April 26th – Wednesday, April 28th – TapQuest, West Vancouver (all youth tap/stage groups, optional-solos/duos)

Saturday, May 1st – All rehearsal and recital line-up information posted and emailed out.

Saturday, May 1st – Legends Dance Cup, West Vancouver (all adult Company)

Saturday, May 1st & Sunday, May 2nd – Junior / Intermediate Photo Shoot

Monday, May 3rd – Priority and Pre-Registration sign-up sent out via Sign-Up Genius

Monday, May 3rd – Friday, May 7th – Synergy Competition Abbotsford (all youth & adult Company & Competitive)

Sunday, May 9th – Production Dress Rehearsal & Performance at "The ACT"

Saturday, May 15th – Sunday, May 16th – Voltage, Richmond (some youth Company Hip Hop, optional-solos/duos)

Friday, May 21st – Monday, May 24th – 5,6,7,8 Showtime, Whistler (Adult groups, optional-solos/duos)
**Do note that this competition is on the May Long Weekend*

Saturday, May 22nd – (Long Weekend) – Studio OPEN

Monday, May 24th – Victoria Day Weekend – Studio CLOSED

Thursday, May 27th– Sunday, May 30th – GDS Provincials (Paradym, Synergy & Voltage - Company qualifying dancers)

Monday, May 31st – This is the last day of classes *prior to rehearsal*
*There is still one more week of classes AFTER recitals!

Tuesday, June 1st – "Make Up Class Day" (for classes missed due to holidays, snow days etc…)

Wednesday, June 2nd – Thursday, June 3rd – Dress Rehearsals - Studio is CLOSED the remainder of this week.
There are no regular classes this week with the exception of Monday, and Make Up Class Tuesday

Wednesday, June 9th – Saturday, June 12th – Year End Recitals – (Studio is CLOSED this week).

Monday, June 14th – Saturday, June 19th – OPEN! Last week of classes for the season and Bring A Friend Week!

June – Priority & Pre-Registrations TBA

July & August – Summer Camps / Classes TBA

July, August & September – Registrations TBA