



COASTAL DANCE

CONCERT HANDBOOK

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Concert Address: Albert Waterways Community Centre

Concert Date: Tuesday 5th & Wednesday 6th of December, 2017

Concert Time: 5:30pm arrival 6:30pm show start

1/ 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. If there is any reason why your child will not be able to perform at the concert on the dates and times provided in this handbook, please let us know so we can make amendments to the class routines involving them. We thank those who have already advised us of their availability.

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 with excitement to show you how hard our dancers have been working!

2/ 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 9th of December** at [Winders Park, Currumbin Creek](#). This is a great chance to mingle with everyone and join the kids celebrating in a fun and relaxed environment. We hold our award presentation at 11:00am.

3/ Concert Times and Location

This year our concert will be held at the [Albert Waterways Community Centre, Broadbeach Waters](#). The show will kick off at 6:30pm and conclude at approximately 9:00pm. Performers are required to arrive no later than 5:30pm with their hair and makeup done.

4/ Rehearsals

Here at Coastal Dance, dress and technical rehearsals are a super important part of preparing for our concert. 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 gives us a chance to make any adjustments and ensure that everyone has time to get ready between their dances. We can see if any costumes are missing hairpieces or need to be taken in by our experienced costume designers.

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 play with their friends and watch some inspiring dancers as they wait for their turn in the spotlight.

The full theatre dress rehearsal will be held at **Albert Waterways Community Centre** on **Tuesday the 6th of December**. Students will need to arrive by the time stated in the rehearsal schedule and bring along all of their tights, shoes, hair and makeup items for the concert. This includes hairspray, bobby pins, bun pins, hairnets, hair ties and safety pins. We aim to keep the rehearsals as short as possible for our Pre-Junior students & they will be needed for only a short amount of time.

Students will be marked off upon arrival by their responsible parent or guardian and will be supervised through the duration of rehearsal. Students will be released as a group at the end of the rehearsal.

All costume and clothing items must be clearly labelled and children are asked to bring healthy snacks with a bottle of water – all labelled with your child's full name. Our staff and volunteers will ensure that children are reminded to drink water regularly and eat their lunches at the allocated time.

Parents and staff members who are volunteering to help at the concert will also need to be available for Dress Rehearsal day to ensure they understand their roles and can see how everything will be run on show day.

5/ 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 Wednesday 29th of November** and will involve all our hardworking 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. Exact times for the groups on photo day will be given out a bit closer to the date, but please try to keep the day free until we can advise in more detail. Photos can be purchased from <http://www.movephotography.net/dance-concert-photos/coastal-dance/> with the access code **38567**. Prices are as follows:

Type	Price	Type
Digital Image	\$10.00	Download
5 x 7	\$15.00	Printed
6 x 8	\$18.00	Printed
8 x 10	\$25.00	Printer

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.

6/ DVDs

In conjunction with copyright and child safety laws, personal photography or video recording is strictly prohibited. We have employed professional Videographers, Limelight Multimedia to capture these memories for you! The cost of the high-quality concert DVDs is \$60 and will need to be ordered and paid for by **Saturday 30th of November**, these are usually ready for pickup from the studio within 2-4 weeks of the concert.

7/ Tickets

Tickets can be purchased from **Sunday the 5th of November** on trybooking.com (use this link or search Coastal Dance).

To ensure our dancers get to perform and show off their hard work to a full audience, we have kept ticket prices very reasonable. Adult tickets can be purchased for \$30 each, with Children's tickets (Aged 3-17 years) priced at \$20 each. We also offer a discounted rate for Pensioners at \$25 per seat. Tickets will also be available on the door.

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.

8/ 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 with cash no later than **Saturday the 11th of November**. Once paid, your costumes will be brought to Photo Day, Dress Rehearsal and Recital/Concert day for you. Please do not take home any costume pieces throughout show week.

9/Caring for your Costumes

Please do not attempt to wash or remove stains from any hired costumes as we will be laundering them 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.

10/ Shoes & Stockings

Please follow the table below for the required tights & shoes for the concert. All stockings & shoes are available to purchase from reception. Please note: only Energetiks or Capezio Tan Fishnets 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.

Genre	Shoes	Tights
Ballet (Tiny Tots – Primary 2)	Ballet (no ribbons)	Theatrical Pink
Ballet (Level 1 upwards)	Ballet (with ribbons)	Theatrical Pink
Tap	Tan Tap	Tan Fishnet
Jazz	Tan Slip-On Jazz	Tan Fishnet
Junior Musical Theatre	White Sandshoes	Tan Fishnet
Inter – Snr Musical Theatre	TBC	Tan Fishnet
Hip Hop	White Sandshoes	Tan Fishnet
Acrobatics	Tan Slip-On Jazz	Tan Fishnet
Contemporary	Foot Undeez or Bare Feet	Flesh (pink) Stirrups

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

Ballet students will require pink ballet shoes and pink ballet tights. Older students may be required to wear Pointe shoes at the request of our ballet teachers.

Tap students will require tan fishnet stockings & camel tap shoes.

Jazz & Acrobatics students will require tan fishnet stockings and tan jazz shoes.

Junior Musical Theatre, Senior Musical Theatre & Hip Hop students will require white sneakers available from Kmart. This is the correct shoe you need to purchase: [Lace Up Canvas Shoe](#) .

Lyrical & Contemporary students will wear bare feet or foot undeez and flesh stirrup stockings.

11/ Finale

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

We will be having a finale rehearsal on Saturday 2nd of December from within our full studio dress rehearsal. It is important for all students to attend so we can see what the final product will look and feel like on stage and the dancers have an opportunity to see what it will be like to dance on stage with groups who they don't usually perform with.

12/ 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. It is best to arrive with hair and makeup done and ready to get dressed in costume.

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

Please try not to 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!

13/ Grooming – Hair and Makeup

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!](#) If you need help with hair and/or make-up there will be dressers at the concert to help you but [HERE](#) is a video tutorial. If you need help for photo day please let us know & we will arrange for someone to be there early to assist you.

Tiny Tots & Pre-Juniors

Make up for this group: foundation, pink blush and white/cream eye shadow, mascara (if they will let you!) and red lipstick.

Hair for this group:

Ballet	Jazz	Tap	Acrobatics
Ballet Bun	Bun w/ Curly Scrunchie	Bun w/ Curly Scrunchie	Ballet Bun

Juniors

Make up for this group: foundation, blush, white/cream & brown eye shadow, mascara, eyeliner and dark pink or red lipstick.

Hair for this group:

Ballet	Jazz	Tap	Acrobatics
Ballet Bun	Bun w/ Curly Scrunchie	Bun w/ Curly Scrunchie	Ballet Bun
Contemporary	Musical Theatre	Eisteddfod	Hip Hop
Ballet Bun	Ballet Bun	Bun w/ Curly Scrunchie	Ponytail

Intermediate & Seniors

Make up for this group: foundation, blush, white/cream & brown eyeshadow, mascara, black eyeliner, false eyelashes and red lipstick.

Hair for this group:

Ballet	Jazz	Tap	Acrobatics
High Bun	High Bun	High Bun	High Bun
Contemporary	Musical Theatre	Eisteddfod	Hip Hop
High Bun	High Bun	High Bun	Ponytail

14/ What to bring

All children must bring a clearly labelled bag with extra hair spray, hair elastics, bobby pins, and safety pins. Please ensure any medication required is packed and clearly labelled with instructions.

Your makeup must also be packed and clearly labelled as well as your dance shoes, stockings, socks and dance underwear. We'll bring the costumes!

Preschool and Junior students are encouraged to bring a clothes basket with a photo of them on it and their name. Some of our volunteers do not know all the performers names so this makes it easier for them to be able to find your child's belongings.

FOOD AND DRINK - Costumes are easily ruined by food and drink stains. Students are not permitted to leave backstage area so please pack enough food and drink for the entire time. It is important they 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.

Children are discouraged from bringing any valuables including phones, iPods, iPads and laptops as the venue and Coastal Dance will not take responsibility for any items lost, damaged or stolen.

15/ 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.