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Welcome to Rhythm 2022!

Thank you, so much, for successfully adding your information and most of your music to DanceBUG!

## MASKING REQUEST:

Rhythm Dance is asking for your co-operation out of respect to those who are vulnerable or those who are still uncomfortable around unmasked large groups of people indoors. We are requesting that everyone wear a mask inside the Sanderson Centre. This is of course, up to each individual. We are **REQUIRING** dancers to wear a mask when on stage for Awards. The dancers sit on stage shoulder to shoulder with dancers from other studios and we want your dancers to complete their competitive season, do your year-end shows, go to graduations, proms and end of year celebrations at school. This is a precaution for everyone but especially, your dancers and is being implemented for protection and caution, NOT to upset or insult. Please make sure your dancers bring a mask to wear on stage for AWARDS.

**Rhythm Dance requires a PARTICIPATION & COVID WAIVER from the Dancers, Dance Teachers and Studio Directors. This will be emailed to each studio and must be signed and returned prior to our event.**

## HOTELS

**Our Host hotel is Town Place Suites \$159 for a queen suite**

**TownPlace Suites By Marriott Brantford & Conference Centre**

30 Fen Ridge Court Brantford, ON N3V 1G2

519-720-2777

**and Hampton Inn and suites by Hilton Brantford Conference Centre**

20 Fen Ridge Ct, Brantford, ON N3V 1G2

**Phone:** (519) 720-0084

## COMPLIMENTARY PROGRAMS

**Upon arrival, please direct your dancers to Zoe's table by the Darling street entrance, for them to pick up their Rhythm dance medal with lanyard and complimentary program.**

**We shall provide 1 free program for every dancer and will not have programs or merchandise for sale. It may be a good idea to bring your own pen or highlighter, dancers and parents!**

**Our running order will be on the DanceBUG app and all dances will be live-streamed.**

**Teachers and studio directors will also receive a complimentary program.**

# PROPS

Are strongly discouraged and if used, should be small enough for the dancers to carry themselves.

# STUDIOS

Please check to make sure I have listed your studio and location correctly, as this is how your studio name will appear in the complimentary programs.

- A** **Encore ~ Elmira**  
**Director: Chrystal Galic**
- B** **Dance Corps ~ Brampton**  
**Director: Maureen Morkill**
- C** **Premiere Dance Inc. ~ Burlington**  
**Director: Carla Delduco**
- D** **The Dance Zone ~**  
**Director: Debbie Favot**
- E** **Katie's Dance Connection ~ Oshawa**  
**Director: Katie Cook**
- F** **Illustrated Movement ~ Palmerston**  
**Director: Turner Norman**
- G** **DVA Dance ~ Delhi**  
**Director: Nichole Bachellier**
- H** **Strictly Rhythm ~ Guelph**  
**Director: Michelle Clark**
- I** **BDI Dance Crew ~ Etobicoke**  
**Director: Julia Leonetti**
- J** **All for One Dance Company ~ St. Thomas**  
**Director: Sarah Bragg**
- K** **Vlad's Dance Company ~ Richmond Hill**  
**Director: Vlad**
- L** **School of Toronto City Ballet ~ Scarborough**  
**Director: Kim and Chico Wong**

# SCHEDULE

I will send the PRELIMINARY schedule in an excel document through DanceBUG.

The times on the schedule are approximate because we do not know the exact timing until your changes are made. Please let me know that you received it!

Please email any questions or concerns about the schedule to me at [Nancy@rhythmdance.com](mailto:Nancy@rhythmdance.com)

If you have any conflicts or changes, please include the entry # so it is easier for me to find. Please check the following:

1. Make sure all your entries are on the schedule.
2. Spelling of song titles and names ~ only solo, duet/trio dancers' names will be the program.
3. Make sure that there is a minimum of 5 numbers between your dances to allow for costume changes for each dancer. Check the time as well in case there is an awards session that would erase your conflict.
4. Remember that we discourage props for solos, duets and trios unless the dancers carry them on and off stage themselves
5. Please remember and respect our time limits:  
Solos and Duet/Trios are 2:45  
All Groups are 4 minutes. Extended groups are 4 – 6 minutes

Changes must all be done before the program goes to print.

Studio directors, please notify Nancy at [nancy@rhythmdance.com](mailto:nancy@rhythmdance.com) of any necessary changes Before May 15.

## PARKING

There is a parking lot conveniently located across Darling Street beside the Transit Terminal and Tim Horton's. It is \$8 per day if you put your money in after 8:00 a.m. Sundays are free  
<http://www.sandersoncentre.ca/aboutus/Pages/Directions.aspx>

## MUSIC

Music is played by a theatre Technician from the theatre. Please upload your music to your DanceBUG account as soon as you can but **BEFORE May 15, so we can create a playlist on Sports Sound Pro, which has the option for variable speed.**

Please format your music in MP3 format so we can use it with our playback software without us having to change the format.

It is a good idea to bring your music on USB for backup.

**Please be aware that downloading music from i-tunes, often creates an MP4 format. We need it in MP3 format**

A free program for converting your music to MP3 can be found at  
<https://www.videolan.org/index.html>

## DRESSING ROOMS

Dressing Rooms will be open 1 hour prior to the start of each day. Friday: 7:30 a.m. Saturday 7:30 a.m. Sunday 7:30 a.m.

**We are very fortunate to showcase your dancers in this beautiful theatre. The biggest complaint about the Sanderson Centre is the lack of change room space.**

**Rack and Roll bags are NOT permitted at the theatre. We strongly recommend that your dancers come to the theatre with make-up and hair already done. We suggest putting each costume in individual plastic Dollar Store bags and take a costume to the car when that dance is completed and pick up the costume for the next dance from your car. There is just not enough space to store costumes in the dressing rooms and often, costumes go missing amidst the chaos!! We have looked at other options in renting space for additional dressing rooms, but we have come up empty when considering the safety and security of the dancers in downtown Brantford. The layout of the change room space at the Sanderson Centre is not conducive assigning studio dressing rooms. Please share the available space.**

**PLEASE** encourage your parents to stay out of the dressing rooms unless they have a dancer under the age of 10 who needs help. **PLEASE** use the dressing rooms only for costume changes and minimal make up touches only. This is not the year to have elaborate hair and makeup changes. It may help to assign a change room helper to each of your companies to assist with costumes. Boys change rooms are on the main floor. **NO** males are permitted upstairs.

## AWARDS SESSIONS

**ALL dancers on stage at AWARDS MUST be MASKED.**

When an age division is final, we will award overalls, so your families do not have to wait for a long AWARDS session Sunday, when the competition is complete.

# LIVE STREAMING

We will live stream all our events through the DanceBUG app. Please encourage your dancers who have extended family, especially grandparents, to upload the DanceBUG app and watch from the safety of their own homes to help us minimize the volume of people in the building and help keep everyone safe.

We are really looking forward to finally having the opportunity to work you and your team at the Sanderson Centre. Please pass on this info to your dancers and families so there are no surprises, and we can all work together to have a safe and successful weekend!

Good luck with your choreography and cleaning!

Best Regards,  
Nancy & Donna