

Dear Teachers

It is with great pleasure that we invite you to enter the 2023 RAD Festival of Dance. Please find information relating to this year's Festival below.

Dates: Festival of Dance - Thursday 2 June, Friday 3 June, Saturday 4 June and Sunday 5 June

Gala Performance - Monday 6 June

Venue: Curtin Theatre

John Curtin College of the Arts

Ellen St, Fremantle

OPENING DATE FOR ENTRIES IS THURSDAY 9 MARCH 2023

CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES IS WEDNESDAY 26 APRIL 2023

Please ensure you read and familiarise yourself with the General Rules and Conditions of Entry prior to submitting entries.

NEW in 2023:

- All festival solo sections have a time limit of 2.5 minutes (excludes scholarship and ensemble sections)
- The Linley Wilson Scholarship will include an adjudicated contemporary class
- Disqualification from adjudication will be enforced if an entrant has not registered 30 minutes prior to the section
- Pointe work is not permitted in the 10-12yrs age group across all sections
- The Gay Cruickshank Scholarship has been renamed the Robin Haig Scholarship

Important dates:

- 26 April Closing date no late entries will be accepted automatic fee of 25% will apply if attempted
- 4 May No changes to program after this date
- 4 May Music Uploads opens

Attached you will find:

- Information letter
- General Rules and Conditions with new information and rules highlighted
- How to complete entry form
- Festival Section Identification
- Sponsorship and Advertising information
- Press & Publicity Release Consent Information DO NOT RETURN THESE FORMS TO RAD this
 consent is now completed through Compsonline. Please ensure parents have read and
 understood the consent prior to entry. If teachers are entering students on their behalf, please

ensure you have obtained consent information prior to entry. This form is also available on our website.

The Gala:

Each of the Scholarship, Artistic Awards, and other Special Prize recipients will be invited to present one dance on stage as part of the Gala Performance. The recipients will also be required to perform as part of a short opening 'Defile, which will be taught to the students prior to the Gala. The selected finalist ensembles for the David McAllister Cup will perform, and the Cup will be awarded. Further information about the Gala evening will be issued at a later time.

Entries:

Entry costs are shown on the enclosed document 2023 Festival of Dance - Section Identification.

Entries are now being accepted through Comps Online. This is an easy to use online registration website that will assist you to complete your entries in your own time with the ability to save and edit entries prior to lodgement. Teachers may enter all students in one transaction themselves or students/parents may enter individually under the name of their dance school, please refer to the How to Enter Form for instructions. Credit card payment will be available.

www.compsonline.com.au

Programmes:

Festival of Dance Programmes will be available for Pre-Purchase for \$10 upon registration using Comps Online. Programmes will be available for collection at the registration desk.

Canteen:

A canteen service will be provided for the duration of the Festival weekend.

Expressions of interest will be taken shortly.

Teachers Pass/Volunteers:

In 2023 all schools will receive ONE teachers pass allocated to a nominated teacher and allowing entry into all sessions of the Festival except the Gala performance – in return we ask each school provide at least one volunteer. Once issued, teacher's passes are not transferable. Please contact Philippa Lynas to nominate your teacher, notify us of your volunteer and receive your pass. All volunteers must have a current Working with Children Check

Please note: We understand that due to space restrictions, entrants are located all across the theatre venue however; all entrants are required to report to the Marshall backstage at the start of their section. Marshalls, volunteers or RAD WA RAP staff are not responsible for ensuring entrants are ready to perform.

We look forward to receiving your entries for the 2023 Festival of Dance. For further information or assistance please don't hesitate to contact me or the Regional Coordinator for WA, Erin Bond at ebond@rad.org.au

Warm Regards,

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