



Mission Statement

To teach our students from where they are, not be frustrated with where they aren't while striving to be a recognized example of professionalism and fairness within the pageantry arts.

Vision Statement

To allow as many performers to express impactful creativity in a supportive and entertaining atmosphere.

Core-Values

- Innovation
- Diversity and Inclusion
- Creativity
- Integrity
- Self-Growth
- Leadership
- Empowerment

As we start a new season, Voodoo Exhibitions is very excited about welcoming you to our tribe of performing arts! We're excited for you to join us for our classes: both competitive and non-competitive, competitions and team bonding experiences that we hope will instil pride and confidence within each of you. The performing arts is a demanding style of sport that requires an open mind and willingness to learn a broad band of athleticism.

Voodoo Exhibitions will run a year long program with over half the year hyper-focusing on the foundations and fundamentals of your sport with the rest of the year dedicated to learning routines and competing. Within your twelve-month season you will have the opportunity to learn new skills, march parades, travel and compete along with a variety of other offers to challenge you in a safe environment.

Being a part of Voodoo Exhibition's comes with high expectations for both youth, men and women. A display of appropriate behaviour must be kept in order to be eligible for performances, competitive teams, trips and competitions. Failure to do so will lead to

standing on the sidelines and possible dismissal from the Voodoo Exhibition Performing Arts.

We highly encourage every parent to be supportive of their child's program: however, every performer of V.E. will be directly responsible to the directors. Each member will adhere to the rules set forth by their directors and program. It is not V.E. Performing Arts intention to discourage anyone from joining the studio, only to provide a safe learning experience for all.

Eval Week

The try-outs process for any sport or art is always a stressful time for members and parents new and old. To help with this V.E. has set up a system to ensure your performers success. In doing so we ask that no parents come into the warm up and rehearsal area. We respectfully ask that you wait for your performer in your vehicle or pick them up once their evaluation is over.

Eval week will be the last week of July with fall class change beginning the first week of august. Students auditioning for the Bayou Babies competitive JV team must obtain a score of 75% or higher while those auditioning for the Competitive Elite Varsity team must obtain a score of 85% or higher, this is to help build a strong team that remains exclusive within the pageantry of performing arts.

Legacy League

The A-list status of the Legacy League may only be achieved by joining in Voodoo Exhibitions opening year of 2025 or by being a member of Competitive Elite Varsity team for 4 consecutive years. Once criteria has been met you will earn your Gold Legacy Status which will put you at the top for P.R. business, photoshoots, locked-in pricing (2025 members), the Gold Legacy emblems added to all of your uniforms and bags and your gold flag pole with the Legacy League Custom Silk.

Captains Try-Out

Any performer considering trying out for a captain's position will need to have started and finished a full yearly season on their varsity team with no issues (i.e. missed performances, director reprimand, etc.). The only exceptions will be that you have

previously held a leadership position within the program AND come with a director's recommendation. Each performer will need to choreograph their own routine (1:30 – 2:30 minutes long) to perform for judges and obtain at least three recommendations from someone who is not family or staff. Each candidate will undergo a one-on-one interview with their directors and the final choice will be made after their performance, among the directors, judges and scores.

Payments

- Complete payments are due by the 10th of every month, a late fee of \$5.00 will be added as a late charge if paid afterwards.
- Payments are acceptable in cash, cashapp, venmo, paypal or through our website www.voodooexhibitions.com
- Full payment of the year or bi-yearly (6 months) is acceptable also.

Competitive Team Attendance

- Attendance is required at all studio rehearsals that apply to your classification.
- Parents should plan to pick up students 15 minutes after the rehearsal has concluded, allowing time to make announcements and clean up.
- Performers are expected to attend every rehearsal for the full time scheduled.
- Missing any rehearsal without prior knowledge is 100% unacceptable for competitive teams!
- Last minute personal issues that you may need to miss rehearsal for still needs to be discussed with your director before classes begin!
- Parents will not be permitted to sit in on class times without permission.
- Any pattern of absences may result in the dismissal from the studios competitive teams.
- It is required to attend every show and performance!
- Consequences may be given when one shows up to rehearsal missing any of the following items: Appropriate attire, gloves/ shoes, adequate equipment, a water bottle
- Consequences may include, but not limited to running laps, push-ups and any other ethical punishment that may fit the situation set by the directors.
- If a pattern of inappropriate behaviour is shown, the individual may be suspended or dismissed from their competitive teams.

Stay respectful, focused and on your beat and we are set for a good time!!

Studio Etiquette

- The Studio will be kept clean, tidy and organized at all times.
- No spinning in the locker rooms
- Keep equipment placed neatly in its respective places.
- Personal items are kept in your locker and attended at your own risk. It is not the studios responsibility if any items are lost or stolen.
- No one other than performers are allowed in the locker rooms for any reason!

Hygiene

First and foremost, TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF!!!

- Nails/Toes kept finger (sport) length as they may interfere with your ability to perform safely. NO POLISH, NO ACRILICS FOR PERFORMANCES!!!
- Jewellery: it is dangerous to wear jewellery during any performance or practice. Please keep it put up.
- Hair: during rehearsal your hair is to be neatly tied back with bangs out of your face.
- BRING DEODORANT!!! A GOOD SMELLING PROGRAM IS A GREAT/HAPPY PROGRAM!!!
- If you get hurt, don't be afraid to ask for help!! Don't allow an injury to get worse over time by not saying anything!!

Uniform Care

We typically do not wash our uniforms during a season, Febreze and airing out only! But in the event of an emergency here are your care instructions!!

Performance uniforms utilizing fragile fabrics require extra care. Garment(s) must be washed separately. Turn garments inside out before washing. Use a mild liquid detergent. Gently hand wash in a large volume of cold water. Rinse immediately. DO NOT allow garments to soak! Pat with a clean towel, line dry.

- DO NOT use fabric softener
- DO NOT dry clean
- DO NOT iron
- DO NOT use hairspray around fragile fabrics

Please note: fabrics with hologram, sequins, or metallic foils will fade with repeated washing and use.

- ❖ *Always follow garment care label instructions as uniforms*

Rehearsal Etiquette

- It is important and expected that you arrive to rehearsal on time. If rehearsal is at 5pm that is when it begins, not when to be dropped off. Please be in the studio 15 minutes prior to your scheduled class.
- There is no talking while a figure of authority is teaching/giving instruction, between sets or during meetings.
- Appropriate active wear/attire must be always worn! No jeans or work boots please.

Performance Etiquette

- ARRIVE ON TIME!!!!
- When we arrive at the designated site, no matter where it is, no matter whom is there, you are ALWAYS being watched!!! Parents and Performers!!! Because of this, you begin your performance the second you step onto the property!!
- All hair and makeup must be done and approved before the warm-up phase. When in uniform and at a show site you are to be on your best behaviour as you represent your program.
- All eating and drinking and bathroom runs must be done at least 15 minutes before warm-ups.
- Stay aware of ALL meeting times and places. It is of the utmost importance that you report to the group and meeting place 10 minutes before the time given as we are always on a tight schedule!!

Demerit System

As our team begins to grow, accountability is an ongoing challenge, because of this and to maintain order within the program we have a demerit system. All demerits will be handled on a case-by-case basis at the director's discretion. If a student obtains 2 or more demerits within the week, they are no longer eligible to perform that week. If a performer receives 5 demerits in a season, they will be put on probation with a chance of removal from their competitive team if further demerits are given. Members may work off demerits with prior

approval from a director by coming in and helping a program under them, staying to help clean the studio etc.

Friendly Reminders

- Voodoo Exhibitions is a performing arts program. It requires athleticism, dedication, sportsmanship, spirit, cooperation, trust, patience, friendship and above all else FUN!!
- If you are frustrated or unsure of yourself just breathe. You won't get everything right the first time, or even the 10th time, but relax and be patient. Nothing worthwhile is easy to achieve.
 - You'll be surprised how much you'll have progressed by the end of the season!!
- Everyone needs to be 100% dedicated to their competitive teams, or your show won't work! Your directors and supporters can't want it more than you do!
- A problem on your end does not constitute an emergency on our end!! Handle your business please!!!
- Always strive to do better than you did the rehearsal before!
- Believe in yourself and give yourself grace!!
- Laugh with your fellow teammates, smile when you perform, make lasting memories and if you are second guessing yourself just go for it!! We all start at the beginning! DO IT! You've got nothing to lose and everything to gain!
- Work hard and enjoy the journey!!

Your job is to give the deaf their hearing. To bring a show to life so much that they can understand without sound.

They should feel the emotions of the music just by watching you from the stands. You are the emotional connection to their music, THAT is what Performing Arts is... That is the Voodoo Exhibitions Legacy!!!