



Dear Parents/ Guardians,

We are very excited to start preparing for our Summer Showcase 'Abracadabra' at Daneside Theatre in Congleton on **Saturday 20th June and Sunday 21st June 2026 (performance start 2pm)**. Abracadabra is a fantastic opportunity for all of our dancers to come together and perform as a whole Dance School on the big stage and show off their amazing talents. Show pieces will be learnt in class time and made stage ready with formations being placed and stage directions learnt during rehearsal times.

All dancers will be performing in the Opening and Finale of the show. Dancers who are performing in 'Crewe Gotta Dance' will have the opportunity to perform both these pieces again in Abracadabra.

Daneside Theatre auditorium seats 300 and tickets will be on sale from Monday 30th March 2026 via the theatre. More information regarding tickets will be sent out nearer the time.

Abracadabra Rehearsals

Dancers performing in Abracadabra will need to attend 4 mandatory rehearsals, 2 at the studio, a tech rehearsal and a dress rehearsal both at Daneside Theatre. Timetables for rehearsals will be sent out Monday 13th April 2026 after the Easter Holiday.

Date	Rehearsal	Location
Sunday 31st May 2026 from 9:00am	Studio Rehearsal 1	Studio
Sunday 7th June 2026 from 9:00am	Studio Rehearsal 2	Studio
Sunday 14th June 2026 from 1:00pm	Tech Rehearsal	Daneside Theatre
Friday 19th June 2026 from 4:00pm	Dress Rehearsal	Daneside Theatre

Show Photo Day

All dancers will need to attend our show photo day at the studio on **Sunday 19th April 2026** with AP Photography. Photos will be taken for each show piece in groups, as well as individual student photos. All individual photos will be available to purchase after the show via AP Photography and all group photos can be viewed in the show programme, which will be available for purchase on both show days for £5.00. AP Photography will also be filming the show on Sunday 21st June 2026, a copy of the video will be given to all dancers in the following weeks after the show.

Show Fees

Please be aware that Abracadabra is an additional cost to your dancer's normal classes.

Fees will be charged for show participation, Opening/Finale costume, show video (USB) and 2 rehearsals at the studio, a tech rehearsal and a dress rehearsal both at Daneside Theatre. Show fees will be added to your monthly invoice in 5 equal instalments from February to June. Fees are based on the number of show pieces that your dancer will be performing in.

If your dancer is in a show piece that requires a costume accessory there will be an additional fee of approximately £10.00 to £15.00, which will be split over your April and May invoices.

Month	Fee for Opening/ Finale and 1 dance	Fee for Opening/ Finale and 2 dances	Fee for Opening/ Finale and 3 dances	Fee for Opening/ Finale and 4 dances +
February	£22.50	£27.00	£31.50	£36.00
March	£22.50	£27.00	£31.50	£36.00
April	£22.50 +1/2 costume accessory if required	£27.00 +1/2 costume accessory if required	£31.50 +1/2 costume accessory if required	£36.00 +1/2 costume accessory if required
May	£22.50 +1/2 costume accessory if required	£27.00 +1/2 costume accessory if required	£31.50 +1/2 costume accessory if required	£36.00 +1/2 costume accessory if required
June	£22.50	£27.00	£31.50	£36.00

Costumes and Hair

All dancers will wear their Opening/ Finale costume (included in fees above) with their own black leggings (girls) / joggers (boys) (which you will need to provide). Some dancers will wear their class uniform to which costume accessories will be added. Dancers who are performing in the Crewe Gotta Dance will wear their costumes again.

For all show pieces girls hair needs to be in a middle part low ballet bun. There are lots of hair tutorials on youtube if you need any help. I would recommend securing with a ballet bun net and lots of bobby pins.

Costumes Boxes

Please bring a plastic box big enough to fit all your dancer's costumes and dance shoes in (e.g., roughly 20L box for 3 dances) with you child's full name on. These need to be brought to the **1st studio rehearsal on Sunday 31st May 2026**, with all uniform, black leggings/ joggers, dance shoes and hair things your dancer will need for the shows. **Before handing in please name everything (literally everything!)** These will then be sorted and prepared to take to the theatre for our dress rehearsal.

Chaperones

In order to run the show we are in need of approximately 10 extra chaperones. As a chaperone you will be helping your dancer/ other dancers get ready for the show backstage, including helping with hair, quick changes, costume organisation and the general well being of our dancers whilst they wait to perform.

As a chaperone you will need to be available to ideally attend our tech rehearsal, dress rehearsal and at least 1 of the show days. We understand that you will want to watch your dancer perform so will have alternating chaperones on the Saturday and Sunday performances.

If you feel you can help and want to be a chaperone and fall under Staffordshire County Council please complete the forms on our website: <https://scanedance.co.uk/glitter-ball-sign-up> If you want to be a chaperone and fall under a different Council please get in touch as the process is slightly different. Please get in touch asap as all applications need to be submitted by **Monday 9th March 2026**, 3 months before tech rehearsal in ordering for the council to process them in time.

Abracadabra Deadline Sign Up - Monday 2nd February 2026

If you wish for your dancer to perform in Abracadabra please sign them up via our website asap:
<https://scanedance.co.uk/abracadabra-sign-up>

This form needs completing to secure your dancer's place and to ensure we have all the correct information to submit our dancer's performance licences to their council. If this isn't completed before the deadline, Monday 2nd February 2026, we can't enrol your dancer onto the show as we will not receive our performance licences' in time.

If you have any other questions in regards to the show please get in touch or ask your class teacher.

Thank you,
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