

## Opportunities at BW Dance



### End of year concert

- BW Dance holds an annual concert to celebrate the hard work and accomplishments of BW Dance students. Every class gets to perform a group dance that they have learnt throughout the year
- It is not compulsory but strongly recommended so students gain the valuable experience of performing on stage and being a part of a stage production.
- The concert date is between the 10<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> December (exact date is provided when advised by the venue).
- Additional costs related to the concert are outlined in the **Payment Terms and Conditions**
- Inform BW Dance ASAP if you will not be participating in the concert, students are very welcome to attend classes without participating in the concert.
- As a gift to our students we present personalised trophies at the concert. Students who have been with BW Dance for 5 years and above are awarded with a perpetual trophy.

### **Important days relating to the end of year concert:**

#### **STAGE REHEARSAL (Compulsory)**

This is held a few days before the concert and is just as important as the concert as it is the **ONLY** opportunity that students have to get used to the stage and backstage areas. Refusal to attend the stage rehearsal means a student cannot perform in the concert. Cost is approximately \$25 per student.

#### **CONCERT (Compulsory)**

The BW Dance concert usually starts at 6:30pm and runs until approximately 9:30 pm. If students are planning to participate in the concert, please check your updates regularly and ensure you are available for the big event!

### Other group performance opportunities

In addition to the concert students have the opportunity to perform at events during the year (particularly the second half of the year). These include spring fairs, fetes and Kids Day Out. Information regarding exact dates will be sent out throughout the year.

### Eisteddfod Participation

- We offer the opportunity for students to learn solos, duos and trios to perform in dance competitions (called eisteddfods).
- Eisteddfods provide enthusiastic and dedicated students with the chance to perform on stage more often during the year.
- Students wanting to enter in eisteddfods must be attending at least one ballet class weekly and a group class in the dance style they wish to perform (e.g. for a jazz solo the student needs to do the jazz group class)
- Students must also be prepared to work hard and practise their eisteddfod work at home.
- As they will be representing BW Dance when they attend external events they students must fulfil the BW Dance Code of Conduct to be eligible for eisteddfod work.
- If you are interested in the possibility of learning a solo, duo or trio please let Miss Amanda or Miss Cassie know.
- All fees must be up-to-date before a solo/duo/trio timeslot can be set aside.

### **Ballet Exams - Royal Academy of Dance (R.A.D)**

- BW Dance classical ballet classes are based on the internationally recognised Royal Academy of Dance (R.A.D) Ballet Syllabus.
- Interested students have the option of entering ballet exams in which they perform a series of combinations based on the R.A.D syllabus. The exam is completed at the R.A.D headquarters in Sydney and assessed by a registered examiner.
- This is a valuable opportunity to receive feedback from highly respected professionals in the dance industry and gives students the experience of striving towards a goal.
- Students must be attending at least two R.A.D ballet classes per week. They must also be prepared to work hard and practice their exam work at home.
- There is an entry fee for the exams and a specific exam uniform will need to be purchased or hired.
- If you are interested in this opportunity, please let Miss Cassie or Miss Amanda know ASAP and we can discuss the options for 2021.