

# CITRUS DANCE

## SHOWCASE INFORMATION 2015

This letter contains very important information regarding our end of year showcase and the rehearsals leading up to the showcase. It is essential that you take the time to read through the information and take note of the specific times and venues for photo day, rehearsals and the showcase. We have outlined what happens at each rehearsal so that you have a better understanding of the process and also so that your child knows what to expect. Please take note of the personal requirements that your child needs for the showcase; this is attached at the end of the letter. The personal requirements are the items that you are required to purchase for your child as we do not supply these items for you. As always, we endeavour to keep costs to an absolute minimum. If you have any questions feel free to ask either Jan or Emily. We want this process to be as simple and as enjoyable as possible for you and your child.

***Our Showcase is held at the Drum Theatre: 226 Lonsdale Street, Dandenong.***

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**Group Rehearsals:** Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> October AND Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> October @ Citrus Dance studio (Huntingtower School)

The students will run through their items in the actual space of the stage, which will be marked out on the floor. The students will also run their items in the same order as the showcase and will practise transitioning on and off stage. Students will learn the finale for the showcase, which every student participates in. We pride ourselves on presenting a smooth and flawless showcase and this takes practice! So, we require two Sunday rehearsals. It is important that students attend both compulsory rehearsals. At these rehearsals, students will NOT wear their costumes and will NOT wear makeup. **All students must wear their Citrus Dance t-shirts, black pants or leggings and bring all of their appropriate shoes.** Parents are not permitted to stay at this rehearsal and are not allowed to watch the rehearsal. Students will be supervised at all times by our staff and showcase helpers.

**Rehearsal times for BOTH Sunday rehearsals:**

- 12:30-1:30pm Kinder students
- 1:30-5:00pm Prep-Senior students

**Dress Rehearsal and Photo Day:** Friday 6<sup>th</sup> November @ The Drum Theatre

This rehearsal will allow the students to rehearse their items on the stage in their costumes with lighting. This rehearsal is incredibly important as we only have limited time in the theatre to rehearse. We require students to arrive on time with their hair done, foundation only done (makeup) and with their personal requirements. Students **MUST** arrive wearing their Citrus Dance t-shirts and black leggings or pants. Makeup is being done at this rehearsal. Parents are NOT permitted to watch the rehearsal. We would prefer parents to drop their children and pick them up when they have finished rehearsing. Alternatively, parents can wait in the foyer. Children will be supervised at all times by our backstage crew and helpers.

Once students have rehearsed their item on the stage, a group photo and individual photographs will be taken by a professional photographer of your child on stage in their costume. These photographs will then be put on a CD for you and given to you for \$25. Siblings will be put on the same CD so only one CD is required per family. This fee will be added to your term 3 fees. If you do not want a photo CD, then please let Jan know and she will adjust your invoice.

**Arrival times for dress rehearsal and photo day:**

- 2:00-4:00pm for Kinders
- 4:00pm-8pm Prep-grade 6
- 4:00-9:30pm Grades 7 to senior

Prep-Senior students will be required to bring a snack. We recommend a sandwich, a muesli bar and a banana. Water ONLY – strictly NO soft drinks or juices. NO nuts, chocolates or sticky foods. Students will be given plenty of time to eat backstage and will be well looked after by our staff and helpers (all have a current Working With Children Check).

**Showcase:** Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> November 12midday and 5pm shows @ The Drum Theatre

Your child will be required to be dropped off prior to the show at the stage door so that they can have their makeup done and warm up. They will need to have their hair done neatly and will need a bag with all of their personal requirements labelled. Students must arrive wearing their Citrus Dance t-shirt and black leggings or pants. The first showcase starts at 12 midday and will run for approximately 2 hours with an interval. Your child will need to be collected from the stage door and then brought back to the theatre for the second show which starts at 5pm. Children will not supervised in between shows.

**Arrival times for the 12 midday show:**

- Kinders 11:00am
- Prep-grade 3s 10:00am
- Grade 4-Seniors 9:00am

**Arrival times for the 5pm show** (please note this show will be recorded and available for purchase on DVD. This is done by a private company and more information regarding the ordering process will be distributed by the end of Term 3).

- Kinders 4:30pm
- Prep-grade 3s 4:00pm
- Grade 4-Seniors 3:30pm

**IMPORTANT THINGS TO NOTE FOR ALL REHEARSALS AND SHOWCASE:**

- WATER ONLY
- Please ensure hair is done neatly. This means no wispy bits or fringes and hair sprayed and gelled. Please use a hair tie that is the same colour as your child's hair.
- Shoes must be cleaned and NAMED.
- NO parents are permitted to watch any rehearsals.
- NO parents are to come backstage except for our backstage helpers.
- Please drop off and pick up your child via the back stage door not the front foyer entrance.
- Children MUST arrive in full citrus uniform. Please ensure this is NAMED clearly.

## PERSONAL REQUIREMENTS

These are the items you must provide for your child. Please also note the hairstyle for your child's item, as this is how their hair is expected to be done when they arrive. If your child is in more than one item, please have their hair done for their first item when they arrive. Our backstage helpers will help them change their hairstyle if required.

ROUTINE/CLASS	HAIR STYLE	PERSONAL REQUIREMENTS
James Bond: Senior Jazz	High pony tail	Tan tights, tan jazz shoes, black bike shorts, tan bra.
Good Morning: Prep-Grade 2 Tap	High pony tail	Tan tights, black tap shoes.
I Could Have Danced All Night: Kinder Ballet (Wednesday and Friday classes)	High pony tail	Ballet tights, ballet shoes. BOYS: ballet shoes.
Hallelujah: Grades 7-8 Lyrical	High pony tail	Black bike shorts.
I'm a Believer: Prep-Grade 2 Jazz/Hip Hop (Saturday class)	High pony tail	Bare feet (nothing required)
Assassin's Tango: Pointe and Grade 7 plus ballet	Low bun to the side (left)	Ballet tights, ballet shoes/pointe shoes, black leotard.
Disco Inferno: Grade 7-8 Tap	High pony tail	Black tap shoes
Sister Act: Grade 6 Jazz/Hip Hop	High pony tail	Tan tights, tan jazz shoes.
Butterfly Fly Away: 3-4 Lyrical	High pony tail	Footless ballet tights.
Footloose: Grade 7 Jazz/Hip Hop	High side pony tail (to the left)	Tan jazz shoes.
Shall We Dance: Kinder Ballet (Saturday and Tuesday class)	High pony tail	Ballet tights, ballet shoes. BOYS: ballet shoes.
Men in Black: Boys Jazz/Hip Hop (Monday class)	Neat hair	Plain black volley runners (Purchase at K-mart \$5)
Everybody Needs Somebody: Grades 4-6 Tap	Low piggy tails	Tan tights, black tap shoes.
Somewhere Over the Rainbow: Prep-Grade 2 Ballet (Monday, Wednesday and Saturday classes)	High pony tail	Ballet tights, ballet shoes, black bike shorts (Kmart \$5).
Ease on Down the Road: Prep-Grade 3 Jazz/Hip Hop	High pony tail	Plain white volley runners (Kmart \$5).
Zero to Hero: Kinder Jazz (Wednesday and Friday classes)	High pony tail	Bare feet (nothing required)
Run Boy Run: Senior Hip Hop	Half up.	Black leggings full length (girls) Black tracksuit pants (boys) Black anklet socks
Time After Time: Grades 5-6 Lyrical	High pony tail	Black bike shorts (Kmart \$5)
Get your Head in the Game: Grades 3-4 Jazz/Hip Hop	Low piggy tails	Plain black volley runners (Kmart \$5)
I Just Can't Wait to be King: Kinder Tap (Tuesday and Saturday classes)	High pony tail	Black tap shoes, black bike shorts (Kmart \$5)
Mrs Doubtfire Ballet: Grades 3-6 Ballet	Ballet bun	Ballet tights, ballet shoes. BOYS: Black ballet shoes.
Falling Slowly: Senior Lyrical	Half up.	Black bike shorts (Kmart \$5) Foot thongs.

Never Had a Friend Like Me: Kinder Jazz (Tuesday and Saturday classes)	High pony tail	Bare feet (nothing required)
Happy Feet: Grade 5 Jazz/Hip Hop	High pony tail	Tan jazz shoes.
Moulin Rouge Can Can: Grade 8 Jazz/Hip Hop	High pony tail	Tan tights, tan jazz shoes.
Time Warp: Senior Tap	Low bun	Tan tights, black tap shoes, black bike shorts (Kmart \$5)
Step Up: Break Dance	Hair half up (girls) Neat hair (boys)	TBC
We Belong Together: Broadway/Popstars	High pony tail	Plain white volleys (Kmart \$5) Plain white singlet top.
Grease Lightning: FINALE (EVERYONE!)	High pony tail	Citrus Dance t-shirt Plain black pants/leggings Bare feet.

### Tights and Shoes

Please ensure that you have the appropriate shoes and tights for your child. These can be purchased from Energetiks or Bloch. Please ask the shop attendants for a uniform list for Citrus Dance so that you purchase the correct coloured tights and shoes.

## Breakup Party: Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November @ Citrus Dance studio at Huntingtower

This is a chance for our students to get together and celebrate a wonderful year of dance at Citrus before we break up for the Christmas holidays.

**4:30-5:30pm** Kinders-Grade 4 students

**5:30-6:30pm** Grade 5 to senior students

Students are asked to bring a plate of food to share with everyone.

If you cannot attend any rehearsals then you **MUST** inform Jan or Emily immediately. It is essential that all students attend **EVERY** rehearsal. If you have any questions or concerns about the showcase then please ask us. We are here to help and to make this process fun and positive for you and your child!

We are really looking forward to our showcase and are excited to present to you a high quality, dazzling showcase!

Kindest regards,

**Jan and Emily**