

August 2016

Annual Dance Celebration + Choreography Competition:
Sunday 9th October 2016, 2.30pm @ Genexis Theatre, Fusionopolis

Dear Parents and Students,

We are delighted to announce the opening of the registration for our **8th Annual Choreography and Dance Competition**. As with previous years, the competition will run after the presentation of Jazz Medal Dances** on Sunday 9th October at Genexis.

****JAZZ AWARDS & DANCE CELEBRATION**

All current Jazz, Contemporary and Tap students will take part in the Dance Celebration presentations. Jazz students will be using moves that were learnt for their exam pieces back in June, extended into a longer routine. Contemporary and Tap students will perform some new choreography. There will be no extra rehearsals required for this performance as all dance classes will practice their routines during regular class time. New students who did not take the Jazz Exams last year will also be learning the choreography and taking part in the show, unless otherwise discussed with their class teacher.

CHOREOGRAPHY COMPETITION

We are maintaining the following format as previous years:

Eligibility: Entry is open to **any students attending Centre Stage School of the Arts** on any course. Students can join with dancers from other classes at Centre Stage and may mix age and ability. Students may choose to choreograph a piece and present it themselves, or have another student or students dance the piece for them. The categories are solo, duo or group.

Registration: Registration will be accepted through a form on our website (it can be found at: centre-stage.com/home/annual-choreography-competition-registration-2016) and will **close on Saturday 17th September** 2016. Please ensure you have filled out the form and paid the fee of \$10/dancer to the office no later than then. Entries will be capped on a first come first serve basis.

All students registering to take part must read the rules of entry included with this form.

Rehearsals: All rehearsals will take place in the students' own time, organised by themselves. We are happy to accommodate students with rehearsal space at Centre Stage and this will need to be booked by the students in advance with the office. Students will only be able to use Centre Stage space during our normal working hours, so they need to be organised and stick to their plans.

Dance Categories:

- **Category A** - Solo *No longer than 2 minutes*
- **Category B** - Duo *No longer than 2 minutes*
- **Category C** - Group Dance, *no longer than 2 minutes*

Rules:

1) **CONTENT**

- a. Must have a theme linked to selected music.
- b. Variety of dance positions, dance movements as appropriate to the specific dance. Difficulty of dance movements.
- c. Uniqueness or originality of dance movements – it is important that this is the student's **own composition** and not copied in part or its entirety from YouTube or other TV programmes.
- d. Continuity of dance movements to either interpret dance theme and music, or to demonstrate dance control.

2) **EXECUTION**

- a. Basic pattern, rhythm and timing to the selected music.
- b. Proper performance of footwork, hand, head, arm and body movements throughout the dance.
- c. Alignment, framework, and proper presentation of dance positions.

3) **STYLE**

- a. Artistic interpretation and choreography, projected through dance movement as it relates to the selected theme and music.
- b. Attentiveness, enthusiasm, enjoyment of the dance, and general good partnership as perceived through appropriate presentation of lead and follow roles.
- c. Flair and accent of dance movement, generating an atmosphere and instilling a mood appropriate to the selected theme and music.
- d. Coordinated appearance appropriate to the theme and music.

Results: A panel of judges will decide the winning dance and runner up in each category. Prizes TBA.