STUDIO A DANCE CONSERVATORY

SA Company Contract 2015-2016

Attendance & Time Commitment

A dance company is a team. Just as sports teams require all players to attend practices, dance companies require their dancers to attend all classes and rehearsals. Absences will hold back not only the individual dancer, the company as a whole.

Each dancer is allowed up to **5 absences** from Company classes and rehearsals and any dance class per dance year, after which, the dancer may be removed from the Company. This applies to medical absences as well as other reasons. Dance requires consistent ongoing training, and dancers who miss several classes due to illness or injury, or any other reason will not be able to compete at the same level as those who have attended classes regularly. All Company members must be present in all classes (not just company class) and rehearsals the week prior to every performance and competition. Please do not consider being a part of SA Dance Company Team if missing a trip to the mall with your friends is going to be an issue, or if you expect scheduling conflicts with other sports or activities. **Regular attendance in all dance classes is expected of Dance Company members. More than 5 absences from any one dance class may be cause for removal from the Company.**

**Company class times for the 2015-2016 Dance year are as follows:**
- **Company Elite** – Monday 6-7pm
- **Company Team** – One Company Class on last Monday of each month and also at the request of the director.

Students will not be required to attend company classes during school vacation weeks unless there is a competition on the weekend following the vacation week- or guest artist in town! I will give out prior notice!!

Company members are required to take 2 one-hour dance classes per week as well as their assigned Company class. All dance company members are required to attend one Ballet class each week. Elite students must be taking the Elite class offered. Jazz class is required and highly encouraged for all Jazz & Production company members. (This is the entire Company team). Lyrical class and Ballet are required for all students placed into a Lyrical small group Company dance. Tap Class is required for all members placed into a tap routine. Etc.

Team dancers- Must be enrolled in 2 technique classes-

Elite dancers- Must be enrolled in 3 dance classes

Sa Company Elite members that are casted in small groups or solos will attend 2 competitions throughout the year. All members will be a part of each Studio A show (Nutcracker, Recital 2015). Please be aware that becoming a company member will obligate you to these performances and competitions. All competitions are held on weekends and are a FULL DAY and possibly A FULL WEEKEND COMMITMENT. The competition management does not send performance time and day information to the contestants until 5-7 days prior to the competition. So you will need to be available for the entire weekend until we know whether you are dancing on Saturday, Sunday or both. Please see handbook on potential competition dates!

SA Elite Company members will be required to attend ONE dance convention and are strongly urged to attend two for this dance year. SA Company members are highly encouraged to attend ONE dance convention. Please see handbook on when these dates are.

Extra performances may be requested throughout the year for functions-assemblies- and events around the community! Be aware that this may occur and we are BLESSED to be able to make these performances happen!!

Extra rehearsals may be called during competition season (February-May). Extra rehearsals will be held on Saturdays, Sundays or at other times that the class schedule permits. Students and parents will be notified of any additional rehearsal times at least one week prior to the date. Miss Anna will make best efforts to schedule additional rehearsals well in advance.

I agree to enroll in all required classes and to attend all Company classes, rehearsals, competitions and performances.
I understand that excess absences may result in my not being able to participate in an event or even removal from the company. I do not anticipate scheduling conflicts with sports or other activities.

Parent & Student initials: ____________________

**Courtesy and Respect**

Being a member of the SA Dance Company is a privilege. All Company members will be held to the highest standards of conduct. Company members must show courtesy and respect to teachers and other students at the studio. Any student who exhibits repeated disrespectful behavior to teachers or other students will be asked to leave The SA Dance Company.

I agree to treat all SADC Dance teachers and students with courtesy and respect. Parent & Student initials: ____________________

**Dress Code**

Dance Company members must wear appropriate dancewear to every dance class. Forgetting dancewear, shoes, hair being down and/ or wearing inappropriate clothing will not be tolerated. The dress code for the Dance Company is as follows:

- Solid colored leotard – black, pink/black tights, pink ballet shoes- Ballet- or ANY CLASS
- Black or color jazz pants or form-fitting shorts are optional for jazz and tap and must be approved by the instructor.
- Sports bras-and tight crops may be worn to lyrical/jazz/tap/hip hop and rehearsal. But approved by instructor.
- Ballet Skirts in pointe’/lyrical only (optional)
- NO T-SHIRTS, SWEATSHIRTS OR BAGGY PANTS
- Hair must be securely pulled back for every class

**Appropriate shoes are required for all classes.**

I agree to be prepared for every class as this dress code guide states: hair back, appropriate dancewear and shoes. Parent & Student initials: ____________________

****Rules for Students to follow Students-

To be on the SA Company you must exemplify greatest self-effort and show discipline through your training in the studio but also in your life outside. You must show great effort, responsibility, and respect to be a SA Company Dancer. Students unable to meet these standards will be put on probation and a parent meeting will be requested. After the probation process and parent meeting-If a student continues to not meet SADC standards the student will be asked to leave our team.

**Miss Anna’s Check lists for SADC Dancers-**

- Attendance
- Health- dance is spiritual, **physical**, and mental- all must be shown in good health and stable- Miss Anna is monitoring this throughout the year.
- Attitude-towards-SADC –and all others
- Respect-to ALL
- Discipline-in and outside of the studio and studio activities
- Good citizen- no alcohol, drugs, or illegal activity
- School Grades- grade checks will occur throughout the year- above a C average must be kept.
- Responsibility-properly prepared for class-attire, hair, makeup-dance bags-shoes- being on time, reliable, dependable, being accountable
- Good behavior reports-Checking in with parents, teachers-
- Honesty- to ALL
I agree to follow all SADC Rules and regulations. Parent & Student initials: ________________

**Payments**

Please see Company Team Information Packet-about costumes-and rhinestones fees- all rules and instructions are listed in this info packet.

Small groups- These groups will meet additionally on the weekend to learn choreography/and to rehearse. To be place into a small group the fees are $100. Per dance. ALL Small groups----Due by March 10th. Payment plans can start NOW. This will pay for all instruction and choreography-props-studio time-and musical rights. This is extremely well priced and generous- as I am wanting students to improve and grow!! I want all students to benefit from this year as well as the Studio organization!!

Team Dance- $225- per dance. $225 first due- Sept 30th- 2nd team dance- Due by Jan 30th.

Soloist- $200 (price break)- if solo is being reused from previous years- a new instructional fee will take place- however- it will be by hour-and not a new solo fee! 😊

Duet- $200 per student-(price break)

Trio- Quartet--($200 per student)

Costumes- Soloist/duet/trios- small groups- Will be determined by the director.

Team dance costumes- Not to exceed $75 for costume (extra fees for accessories and rhinestones) Rhinestone fees will not exceed more than $40 per costume.

Elite Team dance costumes – Not to exceed $85 per costume (extra fees for accessories and rhinestones) Rhinestone fees could exceed more than $40. The director will contact the parents whose child has that costume to go over the rhinestone fee.

2 Separate Venue – Competition fees – Average fees are $55-$65 for groups. Duets and Trios are $60-$70 per student. Solos are $100-$120 and some competitions have a title competition for solo and that is an additional fee on top of the solo entry fee. EVERY competition has different fees, this is just an average. National Competition fees are typically more than a regional competition.

** Please see Company Team Information Packet- with all information in detail.

I understand the financial obligations and know what to expect as a member of The SADC Dance Conservatory Company and will follow the Company information packet with pricing and timeline.

Parent & Student initials: ________________

**Fundraising** **SADC Booster Club see Michelle Basset

**Alterations** **See Kim Windle

**SADC GIVES GRACE** **See Jessica Gerlt

**Pictures** **Four19 Photography is the studio photographer. He will be taking company Headshots. Prices are $25 for 1 8x10 head shot. Please see handbook for more info.

Please re-read the Company Information Guide- in full. Everything in information packet complies and will be expected to be fulfilled and is required of each student and parent throughout the 2015-2016 year.

**Acknowledgement Statement**
Both dancer and parent have read and understood all that is expected as a member of The SA Dance Company. We understand that these rules are created to ensure the absolute best training and most positive and rewarding experience for all. Both dancer and parent understand that failure to meet the conditions set forth in this contract could result in the dancer’s dismissal from SA COMPANY.

I am very proud and blessed to have each of you on my SADC Dance Company! I am looking forward to an amazing year full of dance education and great success. I hope to build and unite a strong group of young citizens. We will make a difference and impact our community not just with your dancing skills but by our hearts and determination to be a better person and dancer!

Miss Anna

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Parent Signature- Print              Parent Signature/date

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Student Signature- Print              Student Signature/date