



CONCERT INFORMATION

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Hi families,

We are excited to share our 2024 Concert plans with you! This year we will be at a new venue, so please make sure to read through all the updated information carefully. The concert commitment forms below are due back by **Saturday 11th May** whether you are responding yes or no, so that we can start to plan routines and costumes!

GENERAL INFORMATION

CONCERT PACKAGE

This year we have created a concert package that includes your rehearsal fee, which is normally invoiced separately, as well as a copy of both the Junior and Senior concert videos as a digital download! The cost is \$35 per student or \$50 per family. The concert package will be added to your account once we receive a copy of your concert commitment form (see below). The rehearsal fee and video last year were \$69, so we are hoping the package will help keep it as affordable as possible for all families, and to ensure everyone can have a video of their performances to enjoy and treasure forever.

BALLET PRODUCTION

After the success of last year's production of Mary Poppins, we will again be including all of the ballet classes in the Senior school concert (Primary through to Adults) in our 2024 production of '**Sleeping Beauty**'! There is no extra commitment required except for a combined rehearsal on **Sunday 22nd September**.

SIBLINGS

Before you decide to participate, please make sure to check whether your children are in the Ready Set Dance concert or the Senior concert. If you have children in both concerts, you will need to return separate commitment forms for both children and purchase tickets to both shows.

NEW VENUE

Due to the renovations happening at the Hopgood Theatre this year, as well as Westminster and other larger schools not hiring their theatres externally, it has been difficult to find a suitable venue. Brighton Theatre is a convenient location, has free parking, a great stage and lighting, as well as the concert hall next door with ample dressing room space for everyone!

CURTAIN CALL (Senior concert only)

To ensure there are enough tickets for family and friends to watch, there will be no performers tickets available this year. Therefore, the Senior show will be a lock in until the end of the concert for all performers. However, this means we can do a full studio curtain call and get everyone up on stage at the end for a final dance and a bow! There will be a projector screen in the concert hall so they can watch the show backstage while they wait.

TICKET ALLOCATION

Based on last year's ticket sales we should have enough seats for everyone, however we will do an initial allocation per family to ensure no one misses out. After the initial allocation, all remaining seats will be available to purchase on a first in best dressed basis.

SENIOR CONCERT

*****STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO PERFORM IN BOTH MATINEE & EVENING CONCERT!*****

LOCATION: Brighton Performing Arts Centre

DRESS REHEARSAL: Saturday 30th November

MATINEE: Saturday 7th December - After lunch

EVENING PERFORMANCE: Saturday 7th December - Evening



Here is a list of the classes included in the Senior concert.

JAZZ	TAP	BALLET	CONTEMPORARY	HIP HOP	ACROBATICS
Under 8 Jazz	Under 8 Tap	Primary Ballet	8&U Lyrical/Contemp	Level 1 Hip Hop	Primary acro
Under 10 Jazz	Under 10 Tap	G1/2 Ballet	10&U Lyrical/Contemp	Level 2 Hip Hop	Level 1/2 acro
Under 13 Jazz	Under 13 Tap	G3/4 Ballet	U13 Contemp	Level 3 Hip Hop	Level 3/4 acro
Under 15 Jazz	U15 Tap	G5/6 Ballet	U15 Contemp	Level 4 Hip Hop	Level 5 acro
Senior Jazz	Senior/Open Tap	Senior Ballet	Senior Contemp	Senior Hip Hop	
Open Jazz	Open Tap	Open Ballet	Open Contemp	Open Hip Hop	
Adult Jazz	Adult Tap Tues	Adult Ballet	Adult Contemp	Adult Hip Hop	
	Adult Tap Thurs	Pointe			

READY SET CONCERT

LOCATION: Brighton Performing Arts Centre

DRESS REHEARSAL: Saturday 30th November - morning

PERFORMANCE: Saturday 7th December - morning

All Ready Set Dance, Ready Set Ballet and Ready Set Acro classes are included in the Ready Set Toyland performance along with some of our talented competition students and the winner of the Choreography Competition.



In previous years we have held the dress rehearsal for our Ready Set concert on the same day as their performance, but we found it was too long for them to be backstage and hindered their concentration and performance. Therefore, this year we have split it up over two weekends so they will be fresh and ready to jump and boogie on stage for their performance on the 7th December! Please be aware before returning your commitment form that attendance at the dress rehearsal on Saturday 30th November is **compulsory with no exceptions.**

COSTUMES & GROOMING

HAIR AND MAKE UP

Students will need their hair and make-up done on the day of the concert. The tutorials on how to do this will be provided. You will need your own hair and make-up equipment for hygiene reasons.

COSTUME FUND

Students in the concert will require one costume for each dance, with some classes doing 2 dances. Students performing in the concert will be invoiced \$50 for each dance, as a deposit to go into their costume fund. This may not be the total amount for the costumes. When the exact amount is established, you will either be invoiced for the balance, or the money left over will be credited to your account.

Once you have returned your concert commitment form, you will see the costume fund amount owing in your parent portal and can pay the same way as your term fees. If you are enrolled in autopay, the costume fund amount will be automatically included in your direct debits. Any money left over from your costume fund, will be credited to your VMS account.

SHOES AND TIGHTS

All students will require the correct tights and shoes for each genre of dance. Tights are not included in your costume fund and you will be invoiced for these separately.

IMPORTANT DATES

You can see a full calendar on our website with all important dates, events and public holidays; <https://www.vitalmovementstudios.com.au/calendar>

TERM 4

As the dress rehearsal and concert both fall on a Saturday, we will commence Term 4 classes on Saturday 12th October.

COSTUME CHECK

Costume check is held at the studio during regular classes from the 11-16th November.

PUT TOGETHER DAY (Senior concert only)

The put together day is a compulsory rehearsal for all students in the Senior Concert. It will be held on **Sunday 17th November** at a local primary school. Times and location to be advised later in the year.

PHOTO SHOOT

The concert photo shoot will be held on Sunday 24th November at a local primary school. This is a compulsory event for all Ready Set Dance and Senior students who participate in the concert. Times are advised closer to the event however we start with Ready Set classes and work our way from youngest to oldest throughout the day.

CONCERT COMMITMENT FORMS

Our concerts are optional performances, therefore every student must return a commitment form, whether they are agreeing to participate or not.

The online form has more detailed information about the commitment involved and must be returned by **Saturday 11th May** whether you are responding yes or no. If you do not complete your form, you/your child will not be included in concert preparations such as costumes and choreography.

READY SET CONCERT COMMITMENT FORM

[Ready Set Concert commitment form](#)

SENIOR CONCERT COMMITMENT FORM

[Senior concert commitment form](#)

Yours kindly,
The VMS DANCE Team



