RHYTHM DANCE CENTER PERFORMING COMPANY AUDITIONS

2024-2025

AUDITION HOTLINE: RDCAUDITIONS@GMAIL.COM

We are excited to announce our upcoming Performing Company Auditions for the 2024-2025 Season aka #rhythmszn32!! We have some exciting plans in place and are so excited to cast our companies for the new season! If you love to dance and perform, we would love to see you at our auditions!

Please read through this packet carefully as it breaks down the audition process!

The audition and selection process requires much planning and thought, and your dancer should be very confident about their desire to be a part of our Performing Company. If your dancer decides to not participate after being selected for any of our Performing Companies, it is unfair to all involved. That spot could have been given to another dancer. Please talk to your dancer about commitment and how important it is to follow through. We are looking for dancers who are talented, focused, driven, understand what it means to be part of a team, and excited to be a part of a well-respected and award-winning Performing Company.

We are casting the following companies...

MINI STARS: Mini

EDGE: Mini, Junior, Teen, Senior

FUSION: Teen, Senior

CONNECTION: Mini, Junior, Teen, Senior Mini/Junior & Teen/Senior Tap Companies Junior, Teen, Senior Contemporary Companies

PARENT INFORMATIONAL MEETINGS and Q & A:

If you are new to Rhythm, new to Performing Company, or in a current company but auditioning for a new one (for example, you're in Connection, but auditioning for Edge, in Mini Stars auditioning for Connection, in Fusion auditioning for Edge, etc), a parent will be REQUIRED to attend the appropriate Parent Informational Meeting (dates and times below). If you cannot attend your appropriate meeting, please attend any of the following meetings and we will answer any questions you may have!

Please note the location of the meetings below

Rhythm Main Location: 3980 Shallowford Road, Marietta 30062 Rhythm Annex Location: 2520 Shallowford Road, Marietta 30066

Mini Stars: Monday, March 25 4:30-5:30pm - Rhythm Main Location

Connection: Monday, March 25 5:45-6:45pm - Rhythm Main Location

Fusion: Monday, March 25 7:15-8:15pm - Rhythm Main Location

Edge: Monday, March 25 8:30-9:30pm - Rhythm Main Location

Spotlight: Tuesday, March 26 5:30-6:30pm - Rhythm Annex Location

Spotlight: Tuesday, April 9 5:30-6:30pm - Rhythm Annex Location

Last Chance Q&A: Tuesday, April 9 6:30-7:30pm - Rhythm Annex Location

Questions: Should you have any questions after attending a meeting, please feel free to contact us at: Audition Hotline: rdcauditions@gmail.com

AUDITION FEE

New Dancers to Rhythm:

There will be a \$50.00 Audition Fee for dancers who are not currently registered at Rhythm Dance Center. This fee is non-refundable. Please submit this through our Shopify account linked here.
NOTE Please make sure you write your dancer's first and last name in the "Notes" section.

Current Rhythm Spotlight, GMX, or Recreational Dancers:

If you are currently enrolled at Rhythm Dance Center and are not a member of our Performing Company, there will be a \$20 audition fee. This fee is non-refundable. Please submit this through our Shopify account linked here. You will need to click the drop-down menu to select the appropriate fee.

NOTE Please make sure you write your dancer's first and last name in the "Notes" section.

Current Rhythm Performing Company Dancers:

If you are currently enrolled at Rhythm Dance Center and are a member of Mini Stars, Connection, Fusion, or Edge, there is no fee to audition.

Late Fee:

If you submit your audition application anytime after 11:59pm on Friday, March 29, you will also owe a non-refundable late fee of \$20.

IMPORTANT NOTES

Upcoming Seniors: For the 2024-2025 Season, we will not be accepting upcoming seniors in high school outside of Rhythm Dance Center for any of our Performing Companies. If you are moving here from another city or state and have a strong recommendation from your current studio owner/teachers, we will consider making an exception.

Spotlight: If your dancer is interested in Spotlight ONLY, they should NOT audition. To be considered for our Spotlight program, you need to be currently enrolled at Rhythm Dance Center. We may be able to extend a Spotlight Invitation after all invitations have been sent to our existing students if spots still remain.

COMPANY AUDITION DATES

There are two parts to the audition, both required. First, a jazz audition, followed by one (or more) callback auditions. We take into consideration both skill level and age when selecting dancers. ALL AGES FOR THE AUDITION ARE BASED ON JANUARY 1, 2025. All dancers must be entering Kindergarten for the 2024-2025 school year.

PART 1: JAZZ AUDITIONS

Jazz Audition (Ages 5 - 7) Monday, April 15 3:30-4:30pm

If your dancer will be 8 by January 1, 2025, but will be entering 2nd grade for '24-'25 school year, please have them attend the Jazz Audition for Ages 5-7

Jazz Audition (Ages 8 - 10) Monday, April 15 4:30-5:45pm

Jazz Audition (Ages 11 - 12) Monday, April 15 5:45-7:00pm

Jazz Audition (Ages 13 - 15) Monday, April 15 7:00-8:15pm

Jazz Audition (Ages 16 - 18) Monday, April 15 8:15-9:30pm

PART 2: CALLBACK AUDITIONS

Mini Stars Callback Audition: Thursday, April 18 3:30-5:30pm

Mini Connection Callback Audition: Thursday, April 18 5:30-7:30pm

Junior Connection Callback Audition: Monday, April 22 5:00-7:00pm

Teen Connection Callback Audition: Thursday, April 18 7:30-9:30pm

Senior Connection Callback Audition: Wednesday, April 24 7:45-9:45pm

Teen Fusion Callback Audition: Tuesday, April 23 5:30-7:30pm

Senior Fusion Callback Audition: Tuesday, April 23 7:45-9:45pm

Mini Edge Callback Audition: Wednesday, April 24 3:30-5:30pm

Junior Edge Callback Audition: Wednesday, April 24 5:30-7:30pm

Teen Edge Callback Audition: Thursday, April 25 5:00-7:00pm

Senior Edge Callback Audition: Thursday, April 25 7:15-9:15pm

Jazz Auditions and Callback Auditions will be held at Rhythm Main 3980 Shallowford Road, Marietta 30062

AUDITION APPLICATION

You can find our electronic audition application on our website or by clicking here. Please complete and submit this application ASAP but no later than 11:59pm on Friday, March 29. Organizing these forms can be guite time consuming, and submitting late will incur a \$20 fee.

Headshots: If you are not a current member of Mini Stars, Connection, Fusion, or Edge, you will need to upload a headshot through the online application no later than 11:59pm on Friday, March 29. This does not need to be professional. It can be a school pic, vacation shot, or one you snap quickly on your phone. When uploading your headshot, please include your dancer's full name and "2024 Audition Headshot" in the file name. If you are having trouble uploading the file, you can email it to rdcauditions@gmail.com

> If you are currently a dancer in Mini Stars, Connection, Fusion, or Edge. you DO NOT need to upload a headshot.

AUDITION PROCESS

Part One: Jazz Audition

All dancers wishing to audition for our Performing Company will be required to attend the jazz audition within the appropriate age groups, no matter which Performing Company they wish to audition for. Dancers will be evaluated on their jazz technique during this portion of the audition. During this time, dancers will be taught a short, center floor jazz combination and perform it in smaller groups. To help the dancers remember and review, a link to this combination will be posted on the Company Auditions page of our website the evening of Monday, April 15. All dancers MUST remember the jazz combination for their Callback Audition(s).

Important: After this audition, we will ask you to come back to a specific callback audition. ALL DANCERS will be asked to come to at least one callback. All callbacks will be posted by 11:59 p.m. on Monday, April 15 on the Company Audition Page of our website. This list will designate which callback audition your dancer will attend. There is a possibility you will need to attend multiple callbacks, depending on your age and level. We will take into consideration the company you are interested in auditioning for when posting callbacks. If you're currently in a performing company and are auditioning for a higher level, you may only receive a callback for the higher level(s). However, we will consider you for all levels and place you where you fit the best. Dancers will be evaluated on technique, style, performance quality, appearance, and showmanship. We do not have a set number of dancers/ages that we select for each group.

Part Two: Callback Auditions

The second part of the audition will be callback auditions. This is where we will see you do additional styles of dance, and also see you in specific groups based on which company you are auditioning for. Remember, depending on your age and which company you are auditioning for, you may receive multiple callbacks, and all will be required. Please check the website carefully to ensure you attend all necessary callbacks. A Dropbox link containing videos of the combos you will need to learn prior to your callback(s) will be posted on the company audition page of the website on the evening of Monday, April 15.

What you're expected to know and perform upon arriving at your callback(s)

- Mini Stars: Hip Hop
- Fusion: Hip Hop & Contemporary
- Edge: Hip Hop & Contemporary
- Connection: Hip Hop
 - If auditioning for Connection Tap Company, a tap combination will be taught on the spot during the callback
 - If interested in Connection Contemporary Company, you will attend a separate audition (days/times below) once the new Connection Companies have been selected.
 - Junior Connection: Tuesday, May 7 5:30-6:30pm (Annex)
 Teen Connection: Monday, May 6 5:30-6:30pm (Annex)

 - Senior Connection: Monday, May 6 6:30-7:30pm (Annex)

Reminder: You must be selected for Connection in order to be considered for Contemporary or Tap Company.

What you can expect to learn on the spot during callback(s)?

- Ballet ALL dancers will learn and perform a ballet combo during callbacks.
- Jazz ALL dancers will perform the jazz combo taught during part one of auditions, plus learn a new short across
- If attending an Edge, Fusion or Mini Star callback, you will learn a tap combo.
- If attending a Connection callback, and interested in Tap Company, the combo will be taught on the spot.

To save time, we will not be requiring proper ballet attire. Please wear appropriate dance attire (see below) that you can perform all styles in. For all callbacks, we will start with ballet.

WHAT TO WEAR

Dress the part!! A neat appearance is very important and if you look good and feel confident, this will enhance your performance. Take a little extra time on your hair, and wear something that makes you feel good! If you are older, makeup is preferred. If you are younger, blush/glitter and lipgloss is great! We WILL notice if you make an effort!

- Part One: Jazz Audition: We ask that girls wear jazz shorts or leggings and a very fitted dance top, sports bra or leotard. Guys, please wear pants or shorts and a tank/t-shirt. No baggy t-shirts and/or tank tops for any dancers. Everyone should wear jazz shoes or go barefoot for the jazz combination. Please be sure your hair is pulled up and away from your face. You may bring a small bag to put belongings in.
- Part Two: Callbacks: To save time during our audition, we will not be requiring proper ballet attire. Please wear appropriate dance attire (same as Part One) that you can perform all styles in. For all callbacks, we will start with ballet. You can add a t-shirt/hoodie, etc. for hip hop and tap, but you will need to be able to add this in one minute or less. In addition, we must be able to see your feet. If you will be attending a callback involving multiple styles, you must have the appropriate shoes for each style, and have them readily available to change quickly between combos. You may bring a small bag to put your dance shoes and other belongings in. Shoes needed for the callbacks are as follows:

Mini Stars:

Ballet shoes, jazz shoes, tap shoes, and sneakers

Edge:

Ballet shoes, jazz shoes, tap shoes, and sneakers. Bare feet are acceptable for contemporary and/or jazz.

Fusion:

Ballet shoes, jazz shoes, tap shoes, and sneakers. Bare feet are acceptable for contemporary and/or jazz.

Connection:

Ballet shoes, jazz shoes, and sneakers

Connection Tap Company:

Tap shoes

AUDITION RESULTS

Audition Results will be posted on our website no later than Monday, April 29. 2024. Please click here to view our Company Audition page. We will list each of the new companies by audition numbers, so it's important to remember the number you are given during the audition process. Once results are posted, we will begin emailing everyone with official invitations, acceptance letters, and letters of commitment.

NEXT STEPS UPON ACCEPTANCE

If you are accepted as a member of our 2024-2025 Performing Company, your next steps are as follows:

1. 2024-2025 REGISTRATION

Registration for the 2024-2025 Season will begin early May! There will be more information on registration available in the coming weeks. Once this information is available, all dancers that are invited to be a part of Rhythm Dance Center's Performing Company will be required to be registered and paid in full by Sunday, June 2, 2024.

2. SUMMER INTENSIVE INFO

If you are chosen as a member of one of our 2024-2025 performing companies, you will be required to attend the following summer intensives. These are mandatory for all dancers and no other options are available. Any concerns or conflicts need to be addressed to the Audition Hotline email immediately.

EDGE: August 7-11, 2024 (Wed/Thurs/Fri after school, Sat/Sun full days) \$450.00 (\$400.00 if paid by 5/15/24)

FUSION: July 22-25, 2024 (Mon-Thurs) \$450.00 (\$400.00 if paid by 5/15/24)

CONNECTION: July 16-19, 2024 (Tues-Fri)

\$340.00 (\$300.00 if paid by 5/15/24)
Connection Tap Company adds \$70

Connection Contemporary Company adds \$70

MINI STARS: July 22-25, 2024 (Mon-Thurs) \$350.00 (\$400.00 if paid by 5/15/24)

3. PERFORMING COMPANY COMMITMENT & EXPECTATIONS

If you are invited to become a member of Mini Stars, Connection, Fusion or Edge, both parent and dancer will be required to sign a letter of commitment by Sunday, June 2, 2024. Along with this letter, a non-refundable deposit will be required. If we have not received your registration for the 2024-2025 season, company deposit, and signed letter of commitment by June 2, your invitation to company will be revoked, and we may offer your spot to another qualified dancer, if applicable.

4. ACCEPTANCE DEPOSITS - due no later than Sunday, June 2, 2024

Mini Stars: \$400

Connection: \$350 (\$450 if in Tap or Contemporary Co. and \$550 if in Both)

Fusion: \$500 Edge: \$600

This deposit will be applied to your company account and will be used for costumes, conventions, choreography and entry fees for the 2024-2025 season.

5. TEAM WEAR - NEW LOOK!

If you are invited to become a member of Mini Stars, Connection, Fusion, or Edge, you will be required to have our NEW TEAM WEAR that launched earlier this season! If you purchased the NEW Adidas Warm-Up for the 2023-2024 Season, you are all set. If you did not, or you're new to the company, you will need to place your order once the information is available following the posting of results. The cost will be approximately \$250 and will include the jacket, pants, bag and bag tag. Additional matching items will also be available such as hoodies & shorts.

WITHDRAWAL POLICY & PENALTY

If your dancer has to withdraw from Rhythm Dance Center Performing Company for any reason at all (no desire to dance, financial obligations, injury, too much school work, etc.) the following penalties will be applied to your account based on when the withdrawal takes place.

June 3 - First day of Summer Intensive

Mini Stars: \$200 Connection: \$175

Connection: \$225 if in Tap or Contemporary Connection: \$275 if in Tap & Contemporary

Fusion: \$250 Edge: \$300

First day of Summer Intensive - August 31

Mini Stars: \$400 Connection: \$350

Connection: \$450 if in Tap or Contemporary Connection: \$550 if in Tap & Contemporary

Fusion: \$500 Edge: \$600

After September 1st, \$100 per month will be added to the penalty. In addition, you will be responsible for all fees that have already been paid out of the company account at that point.

IMPORTANT SCHEDULING NOTE

While we do follow Cobb County Schools for most breaks, please be aware of the following. In addition, if you attend another school system or private school, and your breaks are different from Cobb County, please know that you will need to be available for competitions, conventions, and rehearsals during those times.

Rhythm is CLOSED the following Cobb County breaks...

Fall Break: September 23 - September 28 Thanksgiving Break: November 25 - 30

Holiday Break: *December 23 - January 5 (exact dates TBA during registration)

Spring Break: April 7 - 12

Rhythm is OPEN the following Cobb County breaks...

MLK Weekend: January 17 - 20 Winter Break: February 17 - 22

ALL COMPANY DANCERS WILL NEED TO BE AVAILABLE DURING THE MONTHS OF JANUARY & FEBRUARY ~ This is the height of our rehearsal, competition, and choreography time. If your dancer misses during this time, it may affect their placement in the company. During the February Winter Break, we may have competitions/conventions and/or rehearsals on either or both of those weekends. If your dancer is auditioning for Fusion, please note that their rehearsal schedule is VERY heavy in the fall, beginning Labor Day weekend through October, including one weekend of Fall Break. This is a very important factor in understanding our expectation for attendance. We are not saying that you cannot miss a single day during those months. However, planning a significant family trip or weekend during this busy time will impact the Company. If you already have a conflict, you must note this in the appropriate space on your Audition Application. Please talk to us about any concerns you may have prior to auditioning. Communication is key!

GENERAL NOTE

All dancers wishing to be a part of Rhythm's Performing Companies must audition. All current members must audition again each season. All company and tuition accounts must be current in order to audition.

EDGE INFORMATION

Edge is Rhythm Dance Center's highest level performing company made up of distinguished dancers with outstanding technique, performance quality and style. Edge represents Rhythm Dance Center at local and national talent competitions, conventions, and performances. These dancers have a focus and desire to fully commit themselves to the demands of Edge. We pride ourselves on training well-rounded, diverse dancers and provide our Edge members with opportunities not found at any other studio in Atlanta. We feel the relationships developed with faculty and peers through dance are unmatched by most sports and disciplines.

Edge Involves:

- Choosing dance as a priority over all other extra curricular activities
- Attendance to conventions/competitions and summer nationals/events
- Weekend rehearsals and weekday classes in all styles
- Opportunity to audition for solos, extra groups, and guest choreographers
- Classes & workshops with guest teachers/choreographers at Rhythm
- Tap the Map Workshop at Rhythm Fall 2024
- Potential additional in-house workshops as scheduled
- Attendance to Edge Summer Intensive
- Attendance to National Rehearsals the week prior to Nationals
- Attendance to Nationals Summer of 2025 (location TBA)
- Participation in Holiday Show, Company Concerts, Year-End Shows

Ballet Summer Workshop

All 2024-2025 Mini Edge dancers and all dancers new to Edge will be required to attend a Ballet Workshop with Gabby Gambino June 17-20. (If you are unable to attend, please let us know on your audition application so we can find an alternative solution!)

SUMMER 2025

Edge will be attending a summer nationals! Location and event TBA in the Fall 2024. The location will require travel. It could be Orlando, Las Vegas or another location in the US depending on where we decide to go!

Edge Minimum Class & Performance Requirements

Mini Edge (Average Age 7-10)

- Jazz, tap, hip hop, contemporary and 2 productions at competitions
- Minimum of two days per week taking classes in jazz, ballet, tap, contemporary, hip hop and more. A third weekday is required for competition and convention weeks and sometimes during heavy rehearsal times.
- Weekend rehearsals (when scheduled)

Junior Edge (Average Age 11-12) Teen Edge (Average Age 13-15) Senior Edge (Average Age 16-18)

- Jazz, tap, hip hop, contemporary and 2 productions at competitions
- Minimum of three days per week taking classes in jazz, ballet, tap, contemporary, hip hop, and more
- Weekend rehearsals (when scheduled)

Edge Financial Commitments

Please <u>click here</u> for the Edge page of our website for an approximate breakdown of current requirements and costs. We are still finalizing details from this season and making minor updates, but this will give you a general idea of what to expect.

FUSION INFORMATION

Fusion is an advanced-level Performing Company made up of talented, well-rounded dancers who represent Rhythm at competitions, conventions and local performances. This company is made up of teen dancers chosen through auditions. Dancers must be entering 6th grade to be eligible to audition for Fusion. There are two groups - Teen Fusion and Senior Fusion. A high level of commitment is expected of these dancers. Dance will need to be your first priority in order to maintain the level and expectations of Fusion.

NOTE: Fusion competes for the first time in the late fall. The rehearsal schedule for Fusion is VERY heavy starting Labor Day weekend through October on weekends. In addition, Fusion dancers are required to be present for one weekend of Fall Break for rehearsals.

FUSION Involves:

- Choosing dance as a priority over other extracurricular activities
- Attendance to 2 competitions and 3 conventions (two with competition)
- Classes with guest teachers at Rhythm Dance Center
- Tap the Map Workshop at Rhythm Fall 2024
- Potential additional in-house workshops as scheduled
- Opportunity to audition for one extra group
- Attendance to Fusion Summer Intensive
- All Fusion boys will participate in GMx our all-boys hip hop crew
- Participation in Holiday Show, Company Concert, Year-End Shows

Fusion Class & Performance Requirements

- Fusion will compete in jazz, tap, and contemporary as a group, will do both a hip hop and a jazz production, and will have the opportunity to audition for one extra group.
- Required to be at the studio three days per week taking classes in jazz, ballet, tap, hip hop, contemporary and more.
- Weekend rehearsals (when scheduled) are mandatory.

Fusion Financial Commitments

Please <u>click here</u> for the Fusion page of our website for an approximate breakdown of current requirements and costs. Minor updates could be made prior to the season starting based on inflation and changes within the competition and convention rates. This will give you a general idea of what to expect.

CONNECTION INFORMATION

Connection is a select group of talented dancers chosen through audition to represent Rhythm Dance Center at talent competitions, conventions, and community performances. This elite group of dancers consistently wows audiences with their energetic and stylish routines. A high level of commitment is expected of these dancers to maintain the excellence of Connection. We feel the relationships developed with faculty and peers through dance are unmatched by most sports and disciplines.

Connection Involves:

- Choosing dance as a priority over other extracurricular activities
- Attendance to 3 competitions and 1 convention
- Classes with guest teachers (1-2) at Rhythm Dance Center
- Tap the Map Workshop at Rhythm Fall 2024 (required for Tap Company)
- Attendance to Connection Summer Intensive
- All Connection boys will participate in GMx our all-boys hip hop crew
- Participation in Holiday Show, Company Concert, Year-End Shows

Connection Minimum Class & Performance Requirements:

- Connection will perform jazz, hip hop & a production number at competition (tap & contemporary if selected for those companies)
- Connection is required to be at the studio two days per week taking classes in jazz, ballet, and hip hop
- Weekend rehearsals (when scheduled) are mandatory

Connection Tap Company

We have a tap option for Connection: Mini/Junior and Teen/Senior Connection Tap Company. If you wish to be considered for Tap Company, you will be required to tap at the Connection callback. This company will have an additional required weekly tap class that may require coming on an additional day as well as 3 additional weekend rehearsals in the fall (roughly one each in September, October, and November). Results will be posted with all other results. If you are auditioning for Edge or Fusion and are asked to attend a Connection callback, you will be required to tap. As listed in the info above, Tap Company will be required to attend our inhouse tap workshop Tap the Map in the Fall of 2024.

Connection Contemporary Company

We have a Contemporary Company option for our Junior, Teen & Senior Connection dancers. If interested in Connection Contemporary Company, you will attend a separate audition (days/times below) once the new Connection Companies have been selected.

- Junior Connection: Tuesday, May 7 5:30-6:30pm (Annex)
- Teen Connection: Monday, May 6 5:30-6:30pm (Annex)
- Senior Connection: Monday, May 6 6:30-7:30pm (Annex)

This will require an additional weekly class, additional deposits to cover the costume and entry fees, and potentially additional rehearsal time and time spent at competitions.

Note: You must make Connection in order to be considered for Connection Tap or Contemporary Companies

Connection Financial Commitments:

Please <u>click here</u> for the Connection page of our website for an approximate breakdown of current requirements and costs. Minor updates could be made prior to the season starting based on inflation and changes within the competition and convention rates. This will give you a general idea of what to expect.

MINI STARS INFORMATION

Mini Stars is our youngest Performing Company composed of talented dancers ranging in age from 5 - 8 years old. These dancers are chosen through the audition process. Mini Stars represents Rhythm Dance Center at talent competitions, conventions, and community performances. Focus and an eagerness to learn is expected of these dancers to maintain the excellence of Mini Stars. This super talented group of dancers lights up the stage with their never-ending energy and continually inspires the audience with their contagious enthusiasm!

Mini Stars Involves:

- Choosing dance as a priority over other extracurricular activities
- Attendance to 3 competitions and/or conventions
- Optional classes with guest teachers at Rhythm Dance Center
- Tap the Map Workshop at Rhythm Fall 2024
- Attendance to Mini Stars Summer Intensive
- Participation in Holiday Show, Company Concert, Year-End Shows

Mini Stars Minimum Requirements:

- Perform jazz, tap & hip hop at competitions
- Required to be at the studio two days per week taking classes in jazz, ballet, tap, hip hop, and more.
- Weekend rehearsals (when scheduled) are mandatory

Mini Stars Financial Commitments:

Please <u>click here</u> for the Mini Stars page of our website for an approximate breakdown of current requirements and costs. Minor updates could be made prior to the season starting based on inflation and changes within the competition and convention rates. This will give you a general idea of what to expect.

SPOTLIGHT INFORMATION

Spotlight is an accelerated program for dancers in kindergarten and up. It is ideal for dancers who are ready for a more focused classroom atmosphere. Spotlight instructors will provide them with challenging choreography and technique to be the best they can be. It provides an additional performance opportunity to perform two routines (jazz & hip hop) at one talent competition in the spring. Spotlight dancers are chosen through class, Year-End Show observation & teacher recommendation toward the end of each season. Class requirements include a weekly ballet, jazz & hip hop class. Dancers are also required to participate in a week-long summer camp at Rhythm Dance Center. We have 5 different Spotlights - Petite, Mini, Junior, Teen, and Senior. While Spotlight is not part of our Performing Company, it is a great stepping stone for those dancers who may be interested in our Performing Company in the future. It has proven to be a successful program for many dancers! Dancers with an interest in participating in Spotlight do NOT attend Company Auditions.

POINTE AUDITIONS 2024-2025

We will have a Pointe Audition for all dancers wishing to be considered for Pointe next year. If you are already en pointe at Rhythm Dance Center, you do not need to attend this audition. This will be held on Wednesday, May 8 from 6:15 - 7:45 p.m at the Annex location with Gabby Gambino. All dancers must be at least 12 years of age and have fulfilled their pre-pointe requirements at Rhythm Dance Center. If you are new to Rhythm Dance Center, you must attend this audition to be considered for pointe, even if you are already dancing en pointe. Results from this audition will be emailed no later than Friday, May 17.

More information on our specific pointe guidelines, along with an interest form will go out in the coming weeks, so please be sure to keep an eye out for that information.