

2021

Parent Information Handbook



Our Mission

Radiance fosters the love of dance while nurturing each student's confidence, self-esteem, imagination and creativity.

We provide technical dance training with an emphasis on developing positive body awareness and self-expression.

Radiance provides a safe and inclusive environment for all students to have fun, make friends and be the best dancer they can be.

Our Ethos

We believe everybody can dance and its benefits go far beyond the studio. Dance promotes joy, self-discipline, fitness, body awareness, friendships, coordination, confidence and self-expression.

*Dance with your heart
and
your feet will follow.....*

2021 Radiance Calendar

Term 1

Monday 01 February – Thursday 01 April

(9 weeks/8 weeks Friday and Saturday classes)

- * **Week 8 - 28 March: Eisteddfod Stage Rehearsal TBC**
- * **Week 9 - 30 March: Dress up Week (Crazy Hair & Crazy Socks!)**



Term 2

Monday 19 April – Saturday 26 June (10 weeks)

- * **Week 1 - 26 April: NO Monday classes running on Anzac Day**
- * **Week 3 – 03 May: ALL Monday classes will run on Labour Day**
- * **Week 4-5: Costume Measuring**
- * **Week 9 – 19 & 20 June: Ballet Exams (Prep - Senior students only)– to be confirmed**
- * **Week 10: - 21 June: Dress Up Week**

Term 3

Monday 12 July – Saturday 18 September (10 weeks)

- * **Week 2: 24 & 25 July Mt Gravatt Show Performance (Holland Park students) – to be confirmed**
- * **Week 5: 11 August EKKKA performance (Wilston/Windsor students) – to be confirmed**
- * **Week 7: 28 August Choreography Competition**
- * **Week 10: Dress Up Week**



Term 4

Tuesday 05 October – Friday 10 December (10 weeks for week-day morning classes only)

Friday 26 November (8 weeks for performance classes only)

- * **Week 1: NO Monday classes run on Queens Birthday holiday**
- * **Week 2 - 4: Studio Photos Holland Park & Windsor/Wilston**
- * **Week 8: 27 & 28 November Annual Concert at Somerville House (ALL students except Tiny Tot weekday morning classes)**
- * **Week 10: 06 – 10 December Tiny Tot Combo In-class concerts**



Welcome back to another wonderful year at Radiance! This handbook contains vital information for the year ahead and is a handy reference guide for all things dance! We look forward to an exciting dance year in 2021!

Enrolments

Students enrol for classes at the commencement of each year via our online enrolment process. It is important to ensure that contact information is correct as these are the details used in emergency situations.

Enrolments roll over from term to term during the year. We require notice in writing by the end of the preceding term if your child is not continuing with their classes. Failure to advise by this time will result in full liability for the term fees.

Fees & Accounts Payment

Fees are paid in advance on a term-by-term basis. Our fee schedule is based on a **10 week term** however this will vary in some terms. All prices include GST.

30 minute lesson	\$145
45 minute lesson	\$165
60 minute lesson	\$195
90 minute lesson	\$230
Theatre (semi-private)	\$230
30 minute private lesson	\$45
45 minute private lesson	\$60

***Special offer** - If you enrol in 2 or more technique classes (Ballet, Jazz, Acrobatics, Tap etc) you receive Stretch, Conditioning and Technique at 50% off! (subject to availability).

Enrolments attract an annual \$45 membership fee which covers insurance, music licences and class props.

Invoices are emailed at least three (3) weeks prior to each term commencement. **Payment is required strictly by the first day of each term** and can be made by credit card or via bank transfer. Radiance reserves the right to refuse a child to participate in class until fees are paid.

Public holidays

There will be classes held during term time on all pupil free days and public holidays (excluding Anzac Day Term 2 & Queens Birthday Term 4).

Newsletters

Our Radiance Newsletter is emailed to parents in the first half of each term and provides important information for all parents including key dates, procedural requirements and performance information. Please ensure that you receive your newsletter – sadly, sometimes our Newsletters end up in the recipient's Spam box so it is a good idea to check regularly.



COVID-19 Statement

Our first priority is the health and safety of our students, families and our employees. We are closely monitoring the COVID-19 (coronavirus) situation and following advice from government agencies.

We are fully committed to implementing the best practice Queensland Public Health guidelines and seek support from families to adhere to the stringent hygiene and social distancing measures. Students and parents should not enter the centre if they or their child are unwell, have returned from overseas or a declared hotspot in Australia (as per Queensland Health Direction) within the last 14 days, have been directed to self-isolate, are awaiting COVID-19 test results or have been in close contact with a confirmed case of COVID-19.

Performance & Non-performance Classes

Radiance has both performance and non-performance classes at Holland Park and Windsor/Wilston studio locations.

All Mummy & Me and Tiny Tot week-day morning classes are non-performance classes.

All afternoon and Saturday morning classes are performance classes where costuming and public performance opportunities including the annual concert are offered to students.

Non-performance Classes: Holland Park and Windsor/Wilston week-day morning classes are non-performance classes and do not participate in public performances and the annual concert. We aim to keep these classes low-key and stress-free to focus on nurturing the love of dance and movement! Miss Taylor teaches all our Mummy & Me and Tiny Tot Combo morning classes at Holland Park in 2020 and looks forward to a wonderful and exciting year of dance.

'Viewing Week' is held at the end of Term 2. At the end of Term 4, our very exciting 'in-class concert' is held where we offer the purchase of a beautiful dance costume for your little one. The cost is approx. \$66 and the costume needs to be ordered by the specified deadline to ensure delivery. Late orders cannot be processed. Details are provided by email notification at the end of Term 3.

Performance Classes: Each year children are provided with a performance opportunity at the annual concert to display their dance skills gained over the year. This event is held at Somerville House Auditorium, South Brisbane. There may also be some opportunities available at local shows.

Costuming and participating in public performances is optional but highly recommended for all students.

Parents who do NOT wish their child/ren to participate must 'opt out' via our online notification form by the nominated date at the end of Term 1. Failure to 'opt out' means that a costume order will be placed for your child/ren. These costumes are non-returnable and non-refundable items. If you do not wish to incur a costuming charge, please be sure to let us know!

Annual Concert

There are three (3) concerts based on the different student age groups. Show B & C both have a **compulsory** dress rehearsal on **Saturday 27 November**.

The shows are on **Sunday 28 November: Show A** (Tiny Tot & Prep students ONLY) & **Show B & C** (Junior & over students).



The concert is optional for all students but participation is strongly recommended. It is the highlight of the year when students get to showcase their skills and have their special moment on stage! It really is magic! Further details will be released in the Term 3 newsletter.

Concert Location: VPAC Theatre, Somerville House, South Brisbane

Concert Fees

Concert Pack: Participating students are provided with a concert pack which contains a medal, personalised certificate, show shirt (with their name on it!). The concert pack fee also covers the additional costs associated with prop hire, additional accessories and group rehearsals prior to the concert.

- Concert pack prices are estimated at \$89 - \$139 across the various age groups.

Concert Tickets:

- Show tickets will range from approximately \$15 - \$30.



Concert Recording:

- A video /digital download of the entire show is available at the cost of \$15. It is a compulsory inclusion for all concert participants so that prices can be kept low for everyone.

Costumes

Each year our students are given the opportunity to wear stunning costumes for their performances! We aim to keep prices affordable but the quality high. In 2020, costume packs will range from approximately \$79 for one (1) costume and \$99 for intermediate and senior ballet students to cover the additional cost associated with tutus.

Parents who do NOT wish their child/ren to participate in performances must 'opt out' via our online notification form by the nominated date at the end of Term 1 Failure to 'opt out' means that a costume order will be placed and they are non-returnable and non-refundable items. These costumes are used for public performances during Term 3, studio photos and the annual concert in Term 4.

The price guide for a costume is \$79 - \$85 with Intermediate & Senior ballet students \$99 - \$120.



Uniforms & Grooming

Uniforms: Prep students and above in Ballet have a compulsory uniform which must be worn to all classes. Acrobatics students are encouraged to purchase a Radiance uniform to wear at class to ensure maximum safety during class practice. All other styles are also encouraged to wear the uniform to class.

Dance Shoes: Specific dance shoes are required for ballet, jazz, tap, chorus, hip hop, musical theatre and the Theatre/Contemporary and lyrical classes. Dance shoes should ONLY be worn in the studio so that they are kept in good condition. Students should arrive and leave the studio in alternative footwear.

Grooming: Grooming is an important part of dance and we seek your cooperation to ensure that female students' hair be secured into a neat bun or ponytail for their classes.



A summary of all uniform and performance hair, shoes and tights is outlined here:

Class Level & Dance Style	Uniform	Performance Hair Shoes & Tights
Prep, Junior & Intermediate Ballet	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Pink & black Radiance leotard ★ Pink Radiance skirt ★ Pink ballet tights ★ Pink Ballet shoes (ribbons for Intermediates) 	Slick, high bun with donut and bun net (performance) High Giselle Bun (exams) Ballet tights Ballet shoes
Senior Ballet	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Blue & Black Radiance leotard ★ Blue Radiance skirt ★ Pink ballet tights ★ Pink canvas split-sole ballet shoes (ribbons) 	Slick, high bun with plait around Ballet tights Pointe shoes
Jazz, Tap, Chorus, Hip Hop	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Radiance singlet (optional) OR <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Own dancewear (no denim please) 	Slick, neat high ponytail Shimmer stirrup tights Jazz/Hip Hop: Tan Jazz shoes Tap: Tan Tap Shoes Chorus: 1.5 inch Tan Chorus heels Hip Hop Crew: Any plain, black non-marking sneakers with black socks
Contemporary/Lyrical	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Radiance singlet (optional) OR <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Own dancewear (no denim please) 	Slick and neat high ponytail Shimmer stirrup tights Tan Jazz shoes
Acrobatics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Radiance singlet (optional) OR <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Own fitted dancewear (no denim). For safety all students are required to wear a tight fitted singlet/top/leotard and leggings/bike pants. 	Slick, neat high ponytail Shimmer stirrup tights No shoes are required.
Theatre and Musical Theatre (Singing)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Radiance singlet (optional) OR <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Own dancewear (no denim) 	Slick, neat high ponytail Shimmer stirrup tights Tan Jazz Shoes
Boys	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Own dancewear (no denim) 	Neat, combed hair off face Jazz/Hip Hop: Black jazz shoes Tap: Black tap shoes HipHop Crew: Any plain black, non-marking sneakers with black socks



Shoe and Tights Stockists

Shoes: All shoe items can be purchased from Sue's Shop or Ditto Dancewear. Mention "Radiance" and they will supply you with the correct items!

- **Sue's Shop** – 871 Old Cleveland Rd, Carina
- **Ditto Dance** - 61 Milburn St, Chermside



Tights: Radiance Dance supplies all tights for order through our online shop. Tights will be delivered to your child at class.

Make-up for performances

All female students require bright red stage lipstick. All other make-up is **optional** for students under 10 years of age.

- Students 10 years + are welcome to apply foundation, blush, eye shadow, mascara and eyeliner
- Eisteddfod Team & Senior Students - fake eyelashes are encouraged for the Concert & Eisteddfods
- Boys: not applicable

Eisteddfods

The most regular form of dance competition is the local Eisteddfod. These are conducted throughout the year in the greater Brisbane area and can be a wonderfully rewarding experience for students, providing valuable stage experience and exposure. Additionally, students are offered performance opportunities at various school fetes to showcase their dance routines throughout the year.

Spaces for all 2021 teams are now filled however, please contact Miss Bonnie if you would like more information about 2022 teams. Students involved in this program are offered opportunities through agency auditions such as performing in Brisbane City Youth Ballet, Harvest Rain Theatre Company, The Lord Mayor's Christmas Carols and UP Agency events.

In 2019, our Eisteddfod Team travelled to the USA to perform at Disneyland, Universal Studios & Hollywood Boulevard. We are planning another Eisteddfod trip in 2021...stay tuned!!

Dancers wishing to compete in Eisteddfod competitions on a solo basis must have private lessons which will allow for a routine to be choreographed and polished to be stage ready.



Ballet Exams

Comdance (C.S.T.D) is one of the group international dance societies proudly serving dance for over 80 years providing syllabi and examinations across all major dance disciplines across Australia and the Asia Pacific region.

Students across our **Ballet program from Prep through to Senior** are required to sit exams annually for personal development and progression. We are thrilled to provide this wonderful experience to our students who are encouraged to reach their goals and enjoy their ballet studies.



Choreography Competition

The Radiance Choreography Competition happens mid-Term 3 and is held at St Bartholomew's Hall, Mt Gravatt. This is a competition where the students perform their own choreography in solos, duos, trios or small groups for an audience and a small panel of local judges. This is a wonderful opportunity for students to engage their creative talents to choreograph and perform their own routines!

All students receive a medal and certificate. Further details and entry forms are made available in Term 2. The entry fee is \$40 which covers our costs to hire the venue and external judges.

Student Teacher Education Program

Radiance Dance Academy is proud to be a partner studio with DanceStep offering a four (4) level Student Teacher Education Program which empowers students to take care of others and guides them to be leaders and role models. The program covers teaching skills such as behavioural management, different learning needs and styles, safe dance principles and anatomy just to name a few. The concepts are taught in a sequential and age appropriate way to children from ten years of age.

Students are required to assist within our junior school on a weekly basis as well as complete workbooks in their individual time. Students within the program are committed to the assistant teaching role and display a high level of passion, dedication and enthusiasm.

Whether students are considering a career in dance teaching or otherwise, the DanceStep program is a great preparation for many aspects of life.

Syllabus

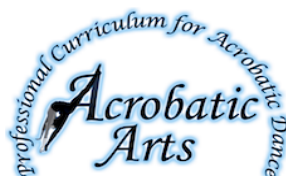
Ballet, Jazz, Tap and Contemporary

- **Comdance (C.S.T.D)** is one of the group international dance societies proudly serving dance for over 80 years providing syllabi and examinations across all major dance disciplines across Australia and the Asia Pacific region. Radiance teaches the CSTD syllabus across Ballet, Jazz, Tap and Contemporary genres.
- **International Dance Technique (IDT)** was founded by Kylie Norris and Lucy Ellis and provides the fundamentals for a strong Jazz technique. The IDT syllabus is taught throughout all Jazz classes at Radiance.



Acrobatics

Radiance is an **Acrobatic Arts** certified studio! Acrobatic Arts in an international training program consisting of 12 levels from beginner to advanced. Students who study acrobatics learn to tumble, aerial and successfully complete partner tricks! Our qualified Acrobatic Arts teachers ensure safety is the number one priority in our Acrobatics classes. We pride ourselves on a high standard of Acrobatics training focussing on perfecting skills and reaching goals.





Make-up / missed lessons

No refund or credit can be given for missed lessons. One (1) make-up lesson can be arranged per term per student for performance and non-performance classes excluding Term 4 performance classes due to concert preparation. All make-up lessons must be booked two (2) working days in advance by contacting the office at hello@radiancedance.com. Make-up lessons cannot be booked with class teachers.

Child Collection & Safety

Safety of your children is our top priority at all times!

For Holland Park studio, children should be collected from the courtyard gate at the back of the studio after classes excluding children leaving after 6:30pm who will be collected from the front door of the studio.

Windsor/Wilston students should be collected from inside the hall.

Children must be fully supervised by a parent/guardian outside class times. We strongly encourage parents of Tiny Tot students to stay at the studio whilst children are at classes.

Your prompt arrival to collect your child is important, both as a courtesy to Radiance staff and for the well-being of your child! Please aim to arrive 5 – 10 minutes before the scheduled end of class time to allow for any unforeseen circumstances that may occur on your journey.

Radiance Contact Details

Please email important information to our office rather than asking your child to relay messages to the teacher at class. This will ensure that we get the full and complete message at the right time!

- **Email:** save us to your address book to avoid emails going to spam folder!
hello@radiancedance.com - for class and teaching matters
accounts@radiancedance.com - for all accounts and admin matters
- **Phone:** 0427 776 516
- **Website:** www.dancewithradiance.com

Holland Park Studios – 31-35 Roscoe Street

Windsor Studio – Corner Whish and Maygar Streets

Wilston Studio – 187 Wilston Road, Newmarket

Our Administration Hours:

If you ever have any questions, please send us an email to hello@radiancedance.com or give us a call on **0427 776 516**. We are always happy to hear from you!



Studio/Artistic Director – Miss Bonnie

Bachelor of Fine Arts (QUT) Dance Performance (Distinction)
RAD Advanced Two (Distinction)
Acrobatic Arts Certified Teacher
Pilates Mat Certified Teacher
Comdance (CSTD) Affiliate Teacher

Miss Bonnie is your Radiance Studio Director. Bonnie has a passion and love of teaching dance to students of all ages, and believes dancing is the best way to grow up and the skills it can teach you will last you a lifetime! Holding a Bachelor of Fine

Arts in Dance performance (Distinction), Royal Academy of Dance Advanced Two (Distinction), Acrobatic Arts and Pilates Matwork teaching certifications, Bonnie has delved into many aspects of dance from performing internationally to teaching students all over Queensland. Bonnie received her early training with Kimberley Bennett-Woodger and Elsie Seguss OAM as well as at The Australian School of The Arts. Bonnie then went on to work with choreographers/mentors such as; Csaba Buday, Zaimon Vilmanis, Lucas Jervies, Jason Duff, Wendy Laraghy, Matthew Lawrence and Amy Hollingsworth. Performing throughout France and China on two occasions, as well as secondments and successful acceptance into Sydney Dance Companies pre-professional year, Bonnie has a vast knowledge of ballet and contemporary dance. As well as performing, Bonnie has choreographed on numerous occasions for The Australian School of The Arts and was a registered Kinderballet preschool ballet teacher from 2016 - 2018.

Miss Bonnie promotes strong technical training with a foundation and emphasis on enjoyment and self discipline. Dance is a beautiful way to express yourself and she loves nothing more than watching the quietest students come out of their shell and dance with confidence. Miss Bonnie looks forward to welcoming you to the Radiance dance family in 2021!

Studio Manager – Miss Lyn

Bachelor of Business (Griffith Uni)
Certificate IV in Training and Assessment

Miss Lyn is our Studio Manager who is happy to assist you with all administration and accounts questions. Please ring, text, email or see Miss Lyn at the studio in the afternoons.



Radiance Teaching Team

Check out our website for full details about our Radiance Teaching Team. All Radiance Teachers hold Blue Cards and First Aid Certificates. Our teachers are highly trained and passionate teachers who create a nurturing and positive environment for students to flourish!

We look forward to a wonderful year of dance in 2021!

