

# **Concert Handbook for 2024**

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Information about the concert will be release through BAND APP and accessible on our website:

Web page link

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Location: baypavilions.com.au

#### **Bay Pavilions**

#### 12 Vesper St, Batemans Bay New South Wales 2536

#### How the day will run

Students will be dropped off at the bay pavilion for a stage rehearsal before the show. Stage rehearsal schedule to come in Term 4 (We make sure our younger students are there for the least amount of time possible) Stage rehearsal will be between 10-2pm however different classes will be required at different times. Schedule will be released on BAND and the STUDIO WEBSITE in Term 4.

When students are checked into the building via the stage door, at their roll call time, for their stage rehearsal they then stay at the theatre under the supervision of teachers and staff until the concert is finished. No student is allowed to exit the building once checked in without prior approval.

This is a big day for everyone, and we provide a packing list for snacks and essentials for students to have. We will have staff with each age group (These people have a working with children checks and we are so lucky to have experienced pre-school/school teachers/ex dance teachers that put themselves forward to work closely with our younger students for the day) these back stage staff are in addition to our teaching staff and student assistant teachers. Students back stage during the show are able to watch live on TVs the show and are also entertained by staff with quiet activities and games.

Students back stage will never be left unattended and will either be in their designated change room or during the stage rehearsal in the audience seating watching other items. Children are guided through marshalling areas back stage by teachers/staff when it is time for them to dance.

Students arrive in their studio uniform on the day with a bag that contains their dance shoes, snacks water and essentials (a list will be provided). We do all the heavy lifting and organising bring all costumes, props and accessories to and from the venue. This takes a lot of stress of the parents and the students.

### WHY DO WE NEED A STAGE REHEARSAL?

A stage rehearsal is mandatory for all students and is a safety precaution as well as an essential part of putting a show together. It helps our students place themselves on stage, know which side they come on and off the stage and to become familiar with the space to assist with nerves to set up their best performance possible. A stage (Tech) rehearsal is usually done on a separate day leading up to a show however because our access to the theatre requiring so much travel we would not ask you to travel twice to Batemans Bay and instead we have our stage rehearsal on the day of our show.

### Tickets:

Tickets are sold through the Batemans Bay Pavilion Theatre website. They will provide the studio with a direct link that will be shared Via BAND and Our WEBSITE when the theatre staff have set up the release of our tickets.

*Ticket Prices:* When we set our ticket prices, we must account for a lot of outgoings to run our show we need to cover **HUGE** theatre costs, music licencing, lighting and tech, staff, as well as our hire for the stage rehearsal just to name a few things. You are not just "paying to see you child to dance" you're paying for your child to have a professional theatre experience they will cherish for years to come, and you get to watch in a lovely (air-conditioned) venue, that has facilities such as foyer, teared seating and a bar for refreshments.

### Length of the concert:

We try so hard to keep a balance of keeping our concert as short as possible but also showcasing all our dancers. We have 38 Classes to showcase between our Pre-Junior to Adult age groups across two studio locations Narooma & Bermagui. So please be patient and enjoy the dance concert experience. It is only once a year. We have estimated 3pm start and a 2.5/3hr max show with an interval.

#### Why are some students in multiple items?

If you see some of the same face on stage, they are not chosen to do these dances, the student take multiple classes. Majority of our students now take multiple classes which means they will be on stage multiple times with their classmates.

### Students checking In & Out of the venue.

The theatre and our studio have VERY strict measure for students checking in and out of the venue. When the student is checked the parent will receive a wrist band with the child's name, only this parent is able to collect the student at the end of the concert. This year we will have a designated area shown on a map prior to the concert day that class groups will be collected from this year will have a wet weather alternative put in place before the concert day. 1 staff member will be checking out students in small groups to help avoid the long wait, Class groups will exit the building together with a staff member when their change room space is clean and staff members will stay until all students are sign out, this can take some time so please be patient as it is worth it to use to have these measure in place for the safety of the children.

No unauthorised adults or children are allowed backstage of the theatre. An entire list of staff, volunteers and students is submitted prior to the event for child safety and emergency procedures. We cannot have anyone back stage that is not on that roll it is a breach of safety. The stage door that students will enter through is locked after roll call times and remains locked at all times unless prior approval of entering or exiting at these time is arranged (Roll call time will be set for each class if you are running late and you miss your roll call time we will have a phone number you can call for someone to organise access from the stage door.) It is expected and presumed that students do not leave until after the concert is finished. If we need to make an expectation this needs to be pre-approved and organised before the concert day (Unless it is an emergency). *Wanting to leave the concert early to make it to a dinner reservation is not an acceptable reason, organising a student to leave during the show comes with a lot of organisation from staff and affects the timing of the concert.* 

#### What will happen is there is a situation that a student can not attend?

Unfortunately, everything is prepaid so offering a refund of concert fees is not possible.

In the case of a severe bushfire situation the theatre will notify us of their policies and procedures if we cannot run our concert and need to postpone our concert.

### Concert Package, Costumes, Photos & Videos

Costume costs can be very expensive especially across multiple routines. We hire the students their costumes to help lower the cost significantly. If you were to purchase the costumes for each dance you child is in, you would be paying anywhere between \$40-\$90+ per costume depending on props and accessories.

Every student performing must purchase a concert package (Concert packages will be available to purchase from the 1<sup>st</sup> October).

**Photography:** GHS Photography is booked for our photo day and concert and all photos will be provided in a password protected album that parents will have access to then download their students photos. Photos of the concert will be taken during the show.

**Videography:** Brightwood Productions is booked to video our concert again, these videos will be provided through a password protected file to parents/guardians of students.

**Concert Pack Breakdown:** The total price is final and not adjustable to opt out of a T-shirt, photos or videos. All these estimates have been split from pre-quoted amounts based on our enrolment numbers of the studio and everyone receiving all components of the package deal.

Concert Package Breakdown (Per Student)					
Number of classes per student.	1	2	3	4	5+
Eg, Students is enrolled and performing in Jazz, Ballet, Acro will need a 3 class package to cover all costumes. *If a student is attending a class but is electing not to perform that classes items at the concert we need to know before term 4 begins so we do not order them a costume.	Class	Class	Class	Class	Class
Costume hire/per class,	\$25	\$45	\$65	\$85	\$100
Photography (GHS Photography)	\$15	\$15	\$15	\$15	\$15
Videography (Brightwood Productions)	\$15	\$15	\$15	\$15	\$15
Concert T Shirt	\$15	\$15	\$15	\$15	\$15
Contribution to other expenses, staff	\$15	\$15	\$15	\$15	\$15
hrs, insurance, props, accessories,					
backstage supplies etc.					
Total	\$85	\$105	\$125	\$145	\$165

#### **Programs**

This year we will have 2 program options available: a pre-order booklet program with photos and beautiful extras such as cast lists.

Or an online simple version with *running order only* will be available on the day of the performance.

#### Photo Day

<u>SUNDAY 24<sup>th</sup> November NAROOMA CLASSES</u> Photographer booked for 8:30-3:30pm

#### FRIDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> November BERMAGUI CLASSES Photographer Booked 4-7pm

Schedule for these days to come: Classes will have a scheduled time for their photos if you do multiple classes you will be at the studio longer and may need to bring lunch or snacks.

#### What is photo day?

Student are required to come in concert hair and make-up, they dress in their costumes that they will wear at the concert, and they get their photos taken by GHS photography in costume and in their dance uniform. They will have single and group photos taken.

#### What happens with the photos?

Parents/guardians receive a link and password to access the photos to then download, print and share their child's photos. (When photos are downloaded details are recorded and we will report any suspicious downloads so please use a recognisable email address (that is searchable in our enrolment system) when downloading photos of your child. Do not give access to links and passwords to any extended family or friends instead download your child's photo and share with them just your child's photos as you wish. When purchasing the concert package, you have pre-paid for access to these photos and there is no other cost involved to download your photos from the photo day and the concert. Some photos also get used on our website and social media (With the media release forms/parents consent) and will be put into our annual photo booklet that is located at our Narooma studio as memorabilia.

## What Happens if you miss photo day?

Unfortunately, everything is prepaid to a 3<sup>rd</sup> party and we can not offer a refund. However, in the past we have had students away sick on the day and we can organise their costume and a time they can have a single photo in their concert costume by the studio. *This must be pre-arranged by the parent with the studio owner. Costumes need to be organised out of storage and can not be assumed they will be able to catch up the photos at the next class.* 

In the past we have had photo WEEK 2 weeks prior to the concert, unfortunately this meant we would lose 1 class rehearsal and it became very hard for students to do their hair and make up for a whole week if they were in multiple classes. There was also the expense of a weeklong stay for the photographer. We hope that this relieves from pressure from everyone by having a photo DAY instead of a photo WEEK.

#### Photos being taken per class:

1 x Group class photo in dance uniform

1 x Group photo in each costume (some classes have 2 items-2 costumes per class)

1 x Single photo in each costume (some classes have 2 items-2 costumes per class)

#### Why do we have a photo day?

- Our concert costumes are hired to students and there is no opportunity for parents at the concert or at home to take a nice photo of the students individually. We take all costumes to the venue on the day and take all costumes back with us. Photo day provides and opportunity for the students to have a photo in costume that is posed nicely.
- 2. Photo day also serves as a costume finalisation before concert this mean costume issues are double checked before our concert. If a student is missing something or it doesn't fit, we are able to fix that problem before the concert.

#### WHAT WILL YOU NEED FOR CONCERT?

We require all students to wear stockings/tights. Tights are a great modesty item for all students onstage and in change rooms. We have listed which colour tights are needed for each style of dance style.

#### **Concert Information 2024**

Everything you'll need to bring (if we need you to bring anything that is not already on this list we will inform you with notice with plenty of time before the concert day)

ADVICE: LABEL EVERY ITEM OF CLOTHING, SHOES, BAGS, LUNCH BOXES, WATER BOTTLES!!!

What you will need on the day of the concert & Photo day: Please organise these items that correspond with your class.

**Jazz Classes:** Black Leotard, Black dance shorts, Tan Capri Tights, Black Jazz shoes. *Photo Day (Students can wear any Studio Blue uniform that they own)* 

**Contemporary Classes:** Black Leotard, Tan Capri Tights, Black shorts. *Photo Day (Students can wear any Studio Blue uniform that they own)* 

**Hip Hop:** Black Leotard or T-shirt for boys, Tan Capri Tights, Black shorts Plain White (Clean) Sneakers.

Photo Day (Students can wear any Studio Blue uniform that they own)

**Ballet:** Class Leotard, Pink Ballet Convertible Tights, Pink Ballet Shoes. (Class Colours) *Pre-Primary Primary Pale Blue Grade 3 Turquoise Intermediate Foundation & Intermediate Navy* 

**Tap:** Black Leotard or Black shirt Boys, Capri Tan Tights, Black Shorts, Black Tap Shoes. *Photo Day (Students can wear any Studio Blue uniform that they own)* 

You can email: <u>unifroms.studioblue@gmail.com</u> for dancewear item orders if needed last order will be processed on the 8<sup>th</sup> of Nov.

Order yourself through dancewear shops online, BigW, Kmart have some option and there is a dance wear shop in Batemans Bay that sell dance wear and shoes

Online Dance Shop for dance wear: <u>https://www.studio7dancewear.com/catalogue/product-category/classwear/</u> Leotard style to order:

Wide Strap Leotard Product Ref: TAL03, TCL03

<u>https://www.dttrol.com.au/jazz</u> and <u>https://www.dttrol.com.au/ballet</u> affordable Black Jazz shoes and ballet shoes. You can also order from other dance wear shops for reputable bands such as Bloch or Capizeo.

You could also seek 2<sup>nd</sup> hand options from past studio dancers.

Dance shoes can also bought online or at Stitches at the bay Uniform shop

Girls Undergarments: Please wear tan/beige underwear/Bras. Other helpful options to wear, bra that the straps can be removed, Stick on Bra or clear back strap bra. (Can be found on dancewear sites.)

Examples of tights, leotards and shoes.







Capri Tight

Ballet Tight Theatrical Pink Black Leotard

White Sneaker Hip hop (KMART, BigW or ONLINE)

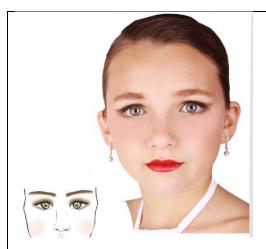
Make – Up and Hair Guide Girls Hair Low bun You will need Brush or comb Hair elastics Hair gel Hairpins (U-pins are best) and Bobby pins Hair net

Bun: Slick with a Middle Part.



Make up Guide:

Make up is important when performing on the stage with bright lighting. The purpose of makeup in the performing arts is to define facial feature that can be lost under the bright lights. However if this is an issue please contact Cortney to discuss further.



Foundation, Blush, Brown Eye Shadow, Eyeliner, Mascara, Red Lipstick as the basics. Children do not need heavy foundation. If the child is super uncomfortable with having their eye makeup done please do not stress them out and just do what you are able to.

Teens are welcome to wear false Eyelashes and tan as usual.

## NO JEWLERY, Small Studs and Sleeper earrings are fine. NO GLITTER

#### Lunch & Snacks

Please pack a lunch box with healthy snacks that will sustain your dancer's energy. PLEASE LIMIT THE CRUMBLES, IF YOU CAN avoid CHIPS, POP CORN, CAKES where you can. Great ideas for snacks: Fruits, Veg, Yogurts, Sandwich, Cheese, Crackers, Dip, Musli Bars, Wraps etc..

Please label your water bottles and lunch boxes.

- No hot food to be consumed in the change rooms. There is limited ventilation.
- We are not against students bringing treats at the parents' discretion such as lollies and chocolates however please do not send them with "Packets to share". We want to avoid sharing food and children consuming large amounts of lollies and chocolates. Young children will risk having a sugar high and then crash before they need to perform.
- We really want to instil FOOD AS FUEL and something that will sustain them as young professionals.

<u>Students who have multiple quick changes: Doing more than 2 classes a week.</u> Please bring an empty box with your name on it (Some student like to really decorate their costume box for fun) to put your costumes/shoes in so they don't get lost in the change rooms during quick changes. This helps keep all your stuff together and ensure you don't lose tights, dance shoes, costumes accessories etc..



#### PLEASE DO NOT BRING!!!

- Hairspray
- Children under 10/years bring touch up make up in a labelled small bag that will be collected by staff so they do not self-apply or miss use without supervision and guidance.
- Glitter
- Expensive watches, jewellery, technology. (Phones are fine but you are responsible for your own personal belongings)
- Parents, friends or partners backstage or in changerooms they will not be allowed past our checking points without pre-approval.
- Ballet skirts unless asked otherwise.
- Toys or items that are sentimental.
- Too many lollies and chocolates
- Hot food, the smell of hot food in the stuffy change rooms is very over whelming.
- Energy/caffeine canned drinks in the changerooms
- Chewing Gum