



2020 Parent Information Handbook

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 2020!

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”**





2020 Radiance Calendar

Term 1

Monday 03 February – Saturday 04 April 2020 (9 weeks)

- * **Week 7** - 16 March onwards: **Costume Measuring Week!**
- * **Week 8** - 28 March: **Eisteddfod Team Rehearsal at Wynnum**
- * **Week 9** - 30 March: **Dress Up Week (Crazy Hair & Crazy Socks!)**



Term 2

Monday 20 April – Saturday 27 June 2020 (10 weeks)

- * **Week 1** - 25 April: **NO Saturday classes running: Anzac Day**
- * **Week 5** – 24 May: **St Agnes Fete (performers will be notified by email)**
- * **Week 6 onwards** – **Costumes start to arrive!**
- * **Week 8** - 13 June: **Ballet Exams (Prep - Senior only)**
- * **Week 10:** - 22 June: **Dress Up Week!**

Term 3

Monday 13 July – Saturday 19 September 2020 (10 weeks)

- * **Week 2:** 25 & 26 July **Mt Gravatt Show Performance (Holland Park students)**
- * **Week 5:** 19 August **EKKA performance TBC**
- * **Week 7:** 29 August **Choreography Competition**
- * **Week 8:** **Windsorfest (Windsor Students) TBC**



Term 4

Monday 05 October – Friday 11 December 2020 (9 weeks for morning classes)
Friday 29 November (8 weeks for performance classes)

- * **Week 2:** 17 & 24 October **Studio Photos Holland Park**
23 October **Studio Photos Windsor**
- * **Week 9:** 28 & 29 November **Annual Concert at Somerville House**
(ALL students except Tiny Tot weekday morning classes)



Enrolments

Students enrol for classes at the commencement of each year. Our enrolment process is fully online for your convenience! It is important to ensure your contact information is correct as these are the details used in emergency situations.

Enrolments roll over from term to term during a school year. We require at least seven (7) days notice in writing from the time of invoice receipt for class cancellation/changes or term fees are required to be paid in full.

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 Terms 1 and 4. All prices include GST.

30 minute lesson	\$130
45 minute lesson	\$150
60 minute lesson	\$185
90 minute lesson	\$220
Theatre (semi-private)	\$220
30 minute private lesson	\$42
45 minute private lesson	\$60

Enrolments attract a \$35 enrolment 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 by the first day of each term** and can be made by credit card or via bank transfer. Overdue accounts at the due date will automatically incur a \$30 administration fee. If fees remain outstanding, Radiance reserves the right to refuse a child to participate in class until fees are fully paid.

There will be classes held during term time on all pupil free days and public holidays (excluding Anzac Day).

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.

Performance & Non-performance Classes

Radiance has both performance and non-performance classes at Holland Park and Windsor 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 week-day morning classes are non-performance classes and do not participate in public performances/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 performance opportunities at Mt Gravatt Show in July for Holland Park students and the Ekka in August for Windsor students. Students also display their dance skills gained over the year at the annual concert held at Somerville House Auditorium, South Brisbane.

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' with written notification to hello@radiancedance.com by the required date towards the end of Term 1. Failure to 'opt out' by this date means that a costume order will be placed for your children. 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 two concerts based on the different student age groups. Both have a **compulsory** dress rehearsal on **Saturday 28 November**.

Show A (Tiny Tot & Prep students ONLY) **Saturday 28 November 4:00pm**

Show B (Pre-Junior & over students) **Sunday 29 November 2:00pm**

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 range from \$90 for Tiny Tots to \$155 for Senior students.

Concert Tickets:

- Show tickets range from \$14 for a child to \$28 for an adult. Concession tickets are available at the reduced cost of \$22.



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 \$149 - \$159 for two (2) costumes.

Students are measured for their costumes during class in Week 7 of Term 1 and costumes arrive mid-Term 2. Opt out date for costuming/performances is 20 March. After this date, costumes are ordered from our costume supplier and there is a liability for full payment. These costumes are used for public performances during Term 3, studio photos and the annual concert in Term 4.

Price Guide:

- ★ Tiny Tot, Prep & Pre-Junior students \$79 (1 costume)
- ★ Juniors \$89 (1 costume + 1 costume accessory)
- ★ Intermediates \$149 and Senior students \$159 (2 costumes)
- ★ ALL Acrobatics students \$79 (1 costume)
- ★ Boys costumes \$66



Uniforms & Grooming

Uniforms: Students in Ballet have a compulsory uniform which must be worn to all classes. Acrobatics students are strongly 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 at Windsor studio. 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 in the following table.



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 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) ★ Radiance bike pants (optional) OR <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Own dancewear (no denim please) 	Slick, neat high ponytail Shimmer stirrup tights Jazz/Hiphop: Tan Jazz shoes Tap: Tan Tap Shoes Chorus: 1.5 inch Tan Chorus heels
Theatre, Contemporary, Lyrical	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Radiance singlet (optional) ★ Radiance bike pants (optional) OR <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Own dancewear (no denim please) 	Slick and neat high ponytail Shimmer stirrup tights Theatre Holland Park: Toe Undies Contemporary Holland Park: Toe Undies Theatre/Contemporary/Lyrical Windsor: Tan Jazz shoes
Acrobatics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Radiance leotard or singlet ★ Radiance bike pants 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
Musical Theatre (Singing)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Radiance singlet (optional) ★ Radiance bike pants (optional) OR <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Own dancewear (no denim please) 	Slick, neat high ponytail Shimmer stirrup tights Tan Jazz Shoes
Boys	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Own dancewear (no denim please) 	Neat, combed hair off face Jazz/Hiphop: Black jazz shoes Tap: Black tap shoes



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** - Carina 871 Old Cleveland Rd
- **Ditto Dance** - Chermside 61 Milburn St



Tights: Radiance Dance supplies all tights for order through the link from our website and from the Receptionist at the Holland Park studio. 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 2020 teams are now filled however, please contact Miss Bonnie if you would like more information about 2021 teams. Students involved in this program are offered opportunities through agency auditions such as performing in Brisbane City Youth Ballet, Harvest Rain Theatre Company and The Lord Mayor's Christmas Carols.



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



Our annual ballet exams are constructive in providing feedback and a great opportunity for students to track their progress and achievements! Radiance staff create a caring, positive and fun exam environment where students can feel proud of their developing technique. These exams are **compulsory** for all students at the cost of \$25 for Prep students and \$35 for Junior, Intermediate and Senior Students.

Ballet students study a combination of Vaganova and Royal Academy of Dance syllabus as well as learning ballet vocabulary. Ballet exams will occur on:

- **Saturday 13 June between 11:30am – 4:00pm**

More information is distributed in Term 1 to all Ballet families.

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.

Acrobatic Arts Certified Studio

Radiance is an Acrobatic Arts certified studio! Acrobatic Arts is 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.

No make-up lessons are permitted in Term 4 in performance classes due to concert preparation. All make-up lessons must be booked two (2) working days in advance by contacting us at hello@radiancedance.com.

Child Collection & Safety

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

For Holland Park studio, children aged 9 years and under (Tiny Tots, Preps, & Junior students) must be collected from the courtyard area at the back of the studio after classes.

Windsor students should be collected from inside the hall.

Children must be fully supervised by a parent/guardian outside class times. We 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! It is strongly recommended that you arrive 5 – 10 minutes before the scheduled end of class time to allow for any unforeseen circumstances that may occur on your journey.

Studio Manager

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 Holland Park studio courtyard most afternoons.

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

Our Administration Hours:

If you ever have any questions, please send us an email to hello@radiancedance.com. We are always happy to hear from you!



Check out our website to read about our 2020 Radiance Teachers!

**We look forward to a wonderful year of dancing, singing, making friends,
working hard & having fun!**

Yours in Dance....

Miss Bonnie & The Radiance Team

