CAROUSEL

DANCE COMPANY

2026/2027 INFORMATION PACKAGE

Dance Company is an exciting opportunity for Carousel students. The company experience allows students to further develop their dance technique as well as performance quality and artistry. In addition, the students develop friendships, leadership skills and enjoy the opportunity to be a part of a group working together to create, perform and express themselves through dance. The 2025/2026 company season is an exciting one with many performance opportunities to be enjoyed. This information package is designed to provide more details about dance company, the commitment required and the different levels of company that are offered.

DANCE COMPANY A

COMMITMENT REQUIRED

- Saturday Afternoon Rehearsals – rehearsals are scheduled on Saturday afternoons between the hours of 2:45-5:00pm. Dancers **will not be required for the full time every week**. Rehearsal schedules detailing the required rehearsals for each dancer are posted in September and January
- Possible occasional Sunday rehearsals in preparation for performances
- Parent volunteer commitment of 8 hours annually

ELIGIBILITY TO PARTICIPATE

COMPANY A JUNIOR **Levels 3 or 4**	**COMPANY A INTERMEDIATE** **Levels 5A & 5B**	**COMPANY A SENIOR** **Levels 6A+**
• enrolled in Junior 3 or 4 • enrolled in 3 hours of dance classes per week including both ballet and modern dance • fulfill one of the following spring/summer requirements ○ Participate in TWO or more classes during 6-week Spring Session **OR** ○ Participate in a MINIMUM of 10 drop in dance classes during July & August **OR** ○ Participate in ONE class during 6-week Spring Session and 4 drop in dance classes during July & August **OR** ○ Participate in "DANCE PERFORMERS" program in July or August **OR** ○ Participate in Focus on Technique program in July	• enrolled in Level 5A or 5B • enrolled in 4 hours of dance classes per week including both ballet and modern dance • fulfill one of the following summer requirements: ○ Participate in TWO or more classes during 6-week Spring Session **OR** ○ Participate in a MINIMUM of 10 drop in dance classes during July & August **OR** ○ Participate in ONE class during 6-week Spring Session and 4 drop in dance classes during July & August **OR** ○ Participate in "DANCE PERFORMERS" program in July or August **OR** ○ Participate in Focus on Technique program in July	• enrolled in Level 6A or above • enrolled in minimum of 6 hours of dance classes per week including a minimum of 2 ballet classes and 2 modern classes • fulfill one of the following summer requirements ○ Participate in THREE or more weekly classes during 6-week Spring Session **OR** ○ Participate in a MINIMUM of 15 drop in dance classes during July & August **OR** ○ Participate in a combination of Spring classes and Summer drop in classes adding up to a minimum of 15 classes **OR** ○ Participate in "DANCE PERFORMERS" program in July or August **OR** ○ Fulfill an L.I.T. position at DANCE PERFORMERS program. *Students must be a minimum level of 6B (during 2025/2026 school year) and be a current company A member to apply for an L.I.T. position at the Dance Performers Camp.*

PERFORMANCES

- December 13 & 14, 2026 – The Snowman & The Snowdog, Theatre of the Arts
- April 3, 2027 – Spring Company Show & Gala, THEMUSEUM

REGISTRATION PROCESS

- students who fulfill the commitments listed above are eligible to enrol in Company A
- register on-line prior to June 30, 2026

FEES

- $600+ HST per year – fees due August 1st (payment plan can be arranged upon request)

  *****All company fees are non-refundable.***

DANCE COMPANY B

Dance Company B is for students in Junior 2 or above who are interested in participating in Dance Company but who prefer a lesser commitment. Company B is an excellent option for students who are new to dance company or who are unable to fulfill spring/summer dance requirements.

COMMITMENT REQUIRED

- Saturday Afternoon Rehearsals – rehearsals are scheduled on Saturday afternoons between the hours of 2:45-5:00pm. Dancers will be required for approximately half of the Saturday rehearsals for approximately one hour of rehearsal time on each of the rehearsal days. Rehearsal schedules detailing the required rehearsals for each dancer are posted in September and January.
- Possible occasional Sunday rehearsals in preparation for performances
- Parent volunteer commitment of 4 hours annually

ELIGIBILITY TO PARTICIPATE

- enrolled in Level 2 or above
- enrolled in both ballet and modern dance
- no spring/summer requirements for Company B students

PERFORMANCES

- December 13 & 14, 2026 – The Snowman & The Snowdog, Theatre of the Arts
- April 3, 2027 – Spring Company Show & Gala, THEMUSEUM

REGISTRATION PROCESS

- All students who fulfill the commitments listed above are eligible to enrol in Company B
- Students must register on-line prior to August 15th, 2025

FEES

- $350 + HST per year – fees due August 15th (payment plan can be arranged upon request)
  ***All company fees are non-refundable.**

YOUNG PERFORMERS

Young Performers is a program designed for students in Primary 3 and Junior 1. The "Young Performer Group" meets once per week on Saturday from 10:15-11:00am and will learn choreography to perform in both the Christmas and Spring performances.

COMMITMENT REQUIRED

- Attendance at weekly "Young Performers" class
- Possible occasional additional Saturday and/or Sunday rehearsals in preparation for performances
- Parent volunteer commitment of 2 hours annually

ELIGIBILITY TO PARTICIPATE

- enrolled in Primary 3 or Junior 1
- enrolled in both ballet and modern dance
- no summer requirements for Young Performers

PERFORMANCES

- December 13 & 14, 2026 – The Snowman & The Snowdog, Theatre of the Arts
- April 3, 2027 – Spring Company Show & Gala, THEMUSEUM

REGISTRATION PROCESS

- All students who fulfill the requirements listed above are eligible to enrol in Young Performers
- register on-line prior to August 15th, 2025

FEES

- $350 + HST per year – fees due August 15th (payment plan can be arranged upon request)
  ***All company fees are non-refundable.**

2026-2027 DANCE COMPANY CALENDAR

A list of Dance Company performance and workshop opportunities is detailed below. **All dance company members will participate in *The Snowman & the Snowdog* and the *Spring Dance Company Performance*.** Throughout the year, additional performance, travel and workshop opportunities may be offered for Company A & Company B members. These additional opportunities will be announced to company members as they arise throughout the year and participation is optional. Some opportunities will be available to all company members while some opportunities will be offered by age/level and/or invite. **There will be additional fees associated with these extra opportunities.**

2026/2027 DANCE COMPANY ANNUAL CALENDAR

JUNE 14 – HERE COMES THE SUN!, CONRAD CENTRE

Dance Company is headed to Disney to perform in a Disney Parade and a Disney Stage Performance.

SEPTEMBER 22 – SCHOOL PERFORMANCES

Dancers who attend our July Dance Performers camp will perform at three local elementary schools on September 22nd.

OCTOBER 18 – FALL PERFORMANCE AT THE REGISTRY THEATRE

This performance will showcase the performance created in the August Dance Performers camp as well as student choreography created for the Belleville Junior Choreographer's gala.

OCTOBER 23-24 – BELLEVILLE JUNIOR CHOREOGRAPHER'S GALA

Choreographer's Gala in Belleville featuring dance workshops and student choreographed works. Open to Company A dancers in Level 5A or above. Students who participate in this opportunity must also be available for the Registry Theatre Performance on October 18th. More registration details to follow.

DECEMBER 13-14 – CAROUSEL COMPANY PERFORMS "THE SNOWMAN & THE SNOWDOG" – THEATRE OF THE ARTS

All Company A, Company B and Young performers will join us on-stage for this performance.

FEBRUARY 7 – PERFORMANCE WITH KW CHAMBER ORCHESTRA @ 3:00PM

We're looking forward to another collaboration with the KW Chamber Orchestra. More details about this collaboration to follow.

MARCH 7 – GUELPH YOUTH DANCE EXCHANGE

A day of workshops, sharing & creating. This event will include dancers from Carousel Junior & Intermediate companies and will take place at Carousel.

APRIL 3 – SPRING COMPANY SHOW & GALA AT THEMUSEUM

Our annual spring company show at THEMUSEUM. Followed by a gala celebration for company members.

Additional performances and workshop opportunities for company members may be added throughout the year.

Details will be forwarded as they become available.