

CONCERT NEWSLETTER

Dear students and parents,

Our annual performance for 2025 is now just around the corner! We can't wait to show you all our hard work.

We've put together all information you'll need for the next few weeks in this email. Please take a moment to read thoroughly, and ensure you know which times your dancer is required for dress rehearsal and concert.

All below concert info is easily found on the Concert Hub website here:

<https://www.tapatdundas.com/concert-tips>

KEY DATES

Dress Rehearsal: Monday 8th December at George Jenkins Theatre, Frankston

Concert: Friday 12th December, George Jenkins Theatre, Frankston 6:30pm

Break-up party: Sunday 14th December, The Studio, 12pm-3pm

Dress Rehearsal

WHEN? Monday 8th December

WHERE? George Jenkins Theatre, Monash University, Frankston

ABOUT THIS REHEARSAL:

- **FULL hair and stage makeup required**
- Correct tights, body stockings/underwear and dance shoes required.
- Younger students should bring a dressing gown to wear over costumes while waiting and pack PJs to travel home in.
- Please ensure ALL items brought to the theatre have your name or initials.
- Costumes are worn for this rehearsal.
- Parents/guardians are required to sign students in/out at the Stage Door at George Jenkins Theatre.
- Please pack snacks and plenty of water.
- Students will receive breaks but are not permitted to leave the theatre until their departure time - all students will be supervised in the dressing rooms and in the auditorium by our backstage helpers and staff.
- NO parents are permitted backstage - only pre-approved helpers and TAP @ Dundas staff (all have WWC).

ARRIVAL TIME? ALL students must be at the theatre no later than 4:30pm. The theatre will be open to students from 3pm.

DEPARTURE TIMES?

- Preparatory: 8:20pm
- Junior: 8:10pm
- Inter Contemporary: 9:00pm
- Inter Ballet: 8:30pm
- Sub-Senior: 9:00pm
- Seniors: 9:00pm
- Adults: 8:30pm

The finishing times are an indication only, we kindly ask that you please be patient if we do run slightly over. We understand that it is a school night and we will do our absolute best to finish in the quickest and safest way possible 😊

Concert

WHEN? Friday 12th December

WHERE? George Jenkins Theatre, Monash University, Frankston

IMPORTANT CONCERT INFO:

- **FULL hair and stage makeup required**
- Correct tights, body stockings/underwear and dance shoes required.
- Younger students should bring a dressing gown to wear over costumes while waiting and pack PJs to travel home in.
- Please ensure ALL items brought to the theatre have your name or initials.
- Parents/guardians are required to sign students in/out at the Stage Door at George Jenkins Theatre.
- Please pack snacks and plenty of water.
- Students are not permitted to leave the theatre until the show is finished - all students will be supervised in the dressing rooms by our backstage helpers and staff.
- NO parents are permitted backstage - only pre-approved backstage helpers and TAP @ Dundas staff (All have WWC).

TIMES?

- Seniors arrive **5:15-5:45pm**
- All other students arrive **5:30-6pm**
- Performance starts **6:30pm**
- Approx. finish and pick-up at stage door **8:50pm**

Dress Rehearsal & Concert Requirements

HAIRSTYLES:

BALLET BUN

- Preparatory Ballet, Jazz & Tap
- Junior Ballet, Jazz & Tap
- Inter Ballet & Contemporary
- Sub-Senior Ballet, Jazz, Tap & Contemporary
- Senior Ballet, Jazz, Tap & Contemporary
- Ensemble Cast

POLLYANNA

- 'Clara'- Emily Murrie

PONYTAIL

- Inter Tap & Hip Hop (act 2)
- Adult Tap (low ponytail for parents & Christmas trees. High for Sugar Pie)

JEWELLERY:

No jewellery is permitted to be worn on stage. All piercings must be taken out. If your student has a new ear piercing that cannot be removed, please tape over them with a small piece of skin-coloured micropore or a small bandaid. This is to prevent injuries occurring from earrings catching on costumes or other students while dancing.

MAKEUP:

All students must wear makeup on stage - both for the Dress Rehearsal and Concerts. This is because stage lighting can wash out faces on stage and make it difficult to see our dancers' faces and expressions from the audience - something we work hard with students in class to develop in preparation for any performance experience.

WHAT TO BRING CHECKLIST

For Dress Rehearsal & Concert

- Dressing gown and PJs for younger students.
- Body stocking / skin-coloured underwear for under all costumes
- CLEAN tights.
- CLEAN ballet/jazz/tap shoes (any shoes required for your class).
- NO jewellery or nail polish is to be worn – no earrings/anklets/bracelets/rings etc.
- Water bottle.
- A lunchbox with small, easy to eat snacks.
- **Arrive with full stage makeup DONE.**

- **Arrive with hair done for first dance.**
- Hairbrush, hair ties, HAIRSPRAY, bun nets, hair pins if required.
- A bag with makeup for reapplying if required.
- Students with allergies/asthma: please bring EpiPens or asthma puffers and allergy/asthma plans to be given to helpers on arrival.

Tickets

Tickets are on sale via George Jenkins Theatre website - **BOOK TICKETS HERE:**

<https://www.monash.edu/performing-arts-centres/event/tap-dundas-the-nutcracker/>

Need help booking tickets?

If you are experiencing issues booking tickets, please contact the George Jenkins Theatre Box Office directly.

Phone: 9905 1111

Email: boxoffice@monash.edu

Thank you all for supporting your children in their passion for dance - we are so proud of them all and can't wait to see them all shine on stage! This show truly makes our year and the smiles on our students' faces when they finally get to perform on stage are why we do what we do.

Thank you and kind regards,

TAP @ Dundas Team