

Company Information for the 2024-2025 Season

Bravo Dance Company

 Bravo Dance Company is a 501(c)3 organization and is financially independent from Bravo Dance Center. Bravo Dance Company is an audition based performing group for dancers who wish to perform at a more committed level.

Company Classes, Performances & Schedules:

- Company dancers have a weekly required class schedule. This will be emailed to you when you receive your Company placement. Dancers are required to attend all required weekly classes during the dance year (which runs August 12, 2024 May 31, 2025).
 - In general, your Company class schedule will run Monday-Thursday (with Saturday Rehearsals & Choreography)
 - Specific Companies (Seniors, Advanced, Premier, & Elite) will have a required class on Saturday mornings.
- Attendance is required at conventions, workshops, & weekend rehearsals. It's possible that the
 director may call additional rehearsals throughout the year if needed. Extra rehearsals may be
 during company class time or on the weekend. The director will only call for extra rehearsals if
 ample notice can be given. We will rehearse more frequently as we get closer to performances.
- All companies will perform in our Fall Festival, Christmas Production (Holiday Express), Connected,
 Competition, and Spring Production. However, only select dancers will get cast in Holiday Express
 Nutcracker variations. Our Nutcracker cast is not based on your dancers' company, but rather
 their ballet skills and costume sizes available.
- All BDC 2024-2025 Company dancers are required to take 24 hours of summer dance at Bravo (with the exception of Mini Company). Mini Company dancers are required to take 12 hours of summer dance at Bravo.
- All BDC 2024-2025 Company dancers are required to attend our Company Workshop August 7-10th. Specific Company Workshop dates/times for each company will be emailed in July.
- Bravo Dance Company is a member of the National Dance Education Organization (NDEO) and has several company dancers who are members of Bravo's chapter of the National Honors Society for Dance Arts. We pride ourselves on celebrating not only dance, but academic excellence!

Placement:

Auditioning dancers are placed by the director and her staff. Although, age may assist in initial placement due to scheduling; a dancer's *final* placement is based on the following criteria:

- Technique
- How quickly dancers can pick up choreography
- Stage presence
- Musicality
- Overall look of a group
- Commitment level
- Attendance from all your classes
- Enthusiasm
- Attitude
- And more!

A dancer's placement in Company should not be challenged, as the director and her staff place all the dancers where they believe they will be the most successful. Please trust that we placed your dancer

in a group to maximize their learning and growth. Previous members must audition each season and are not guaranteed placement.

Audition Prep Classes:

- Rising 2nd graders and up! (Dancers will be divided by age/ability)
- Friday, May 3rd from 6:45-8:00pm
- Friday, May 10th from 6:45-8:00pm
- Cost: \$30 per class or \$50 for both classes
 - This fee is non-refundable after charges have been made
- Please register for the Audition Prep Classes on your parent portal!
 - o Registration starts Saturday, April 20th at 10:00am
 - New dancers should register through our website <u>www.bravodancecenterga.com</u> (click the REGISTER tab).
- Why take the Audition Prep Classes?
 - Eases nerves: When you practice in an audition style group setting, it can help you feel more confident in your abilities on the day of your actual audition. Feeling more confident and at ease lets you focus on your dancing!
 - Judges can often tell whether you prepared for your audition.

Company Auditions:

- O Auditions will take place May 17th & 18th at Bravo
- o Auditions time slots are based on your dancer's 2024-2025 Grade
 - O Rising 2nd graders and up are required to Audition.
 - Rising Kindergarteners and first graders interested in Company should sign up on the clip board in the new studio lobby. A contract and estimated fee schedule will be emailed to you at the beginning of June. Your commitment will be all online and will be required by June 15th, 2024.

Friday, May 17th

Grade ONLY (your dancers 2024-2025 grade)

Time	Grade (Dancers 2024-2025 Grade)
	Grades 10th, 11th, & 12th *** Select dancers may be asked on Friday to return on Saturday from 10:30am- 12:00pm! Please save the date!***

Saturday, May 18th

Grade ONLY (your dancers 2024-2025 grade)

Time	Grade (Dancers 2024-2025 Grade)
10:30am-2:00pm	Grades 5th, 6th, & 7th
10:30am-2:00pm	Grades 8th & 9th
2:30-4:30pm	Grades 2nd, 3rd, & 4th

Audition Registration

- All Audition registration will take place online this year! Please register your dancer for auditions on your Parent Portal (just like registering for a class). If you are new to Bravo, you will need to make an account to register for Auditions. Visit bravodancecenterga.com and click on REGISTER.
- Audition fees are \$45 (CASH ONLY) per dancer. Your audition fee should be submitted to the front desk.
- Audition Attire:
 - A nice, neat appearance is recommended. Dancers should wear black leotards and tan tights (bring both nude-colored lyrical shoes and tan jazz shoes if you have them).

- O Hair in a bun
- NO dance bags. Dancers may carry a clear gallon bag with their name on it, bottle of water, & small snack.
- O Audition numbers will be given at check-in.
- ALL existing Bravo Dance Center accounts must be current and not carrying balances to be eligible for auditions.
- O Auditions are CLOSED! No parents or spectators are permitted to enter the building during auditions.
- O Placement emails will be sent in June.