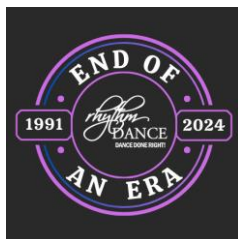




www.rhythmdance.com



Welcome to Rhythm 2024, our final season after 34 years of Dance Done Right! Donna and I thank you for choosing us and for successfully adding your information to DanceBUG!

We are SO excited to showcase your dances at our very last event!

JUDGES

We are excited to work with Lindsay Leuschner, Stacey Schnarr and Michael Lambert, dance professionals who have been an important part of Rhythm for many years. We hope to bring in a Specials Judge Sunday.

STUDIOS

Please check to make sure I have listed your studio and location correctly, as this is how your studio name will appear in the programs.

- A **Dimensions in Dance ~ Kitchener**
Studio Director: Kimberly Kay
- B **Rythum Plus Dance Company ~ Stoney Creek**
Studio Director: Trish Thompson-Creamer
- C **Vlad's Dance Company ~ Richmond Hill**
Studio Director: Vlad Novitski
- D **Premiere Dance Inc ~ Burlington**
Studio Director: Carla Marques Delduco

HOTEL

Townplace Suites~ 519.720.2772 sales@bawagroup.net
2 night minimum ~ \$209/night www.marriottbrantford.com ~free breakfast & indoor pool

RHYTHM'S FINAL CELEBRATION

Since this is the last Rhythm event for Donna and myself, we are trying to make the weekend not only an exhibition of wonderful talent but a dazzling, fun celebration where we can enhance your experience and appreciate each other's creative ideas and choreography. If there are any **lighting cues** that are above and beyond our basic stage lighting that you may want for your dances, we are happy to accommodate to make this last Rhythm event even more exciting for everyone. Please let me know by **May 10** so our technicians can set the cues to make everything run smoothly. Please let me know if you have any requests regarding props or lighting. We will start competition Friday at 8:15 am with our Performance Class. The theatre doors will be open 1 hour prior to the start time each day. **PLEASE tell your dancers not to arrive any earlier than 7:15 am Friday and Saturday and 8:00 am Sunday.** Start times are: Friday 8:15 am, Saturday 8:15 am and Sunday 9:00 am. Our last awards session will be 6:30 pm Sunday.

LIMITED EDITION LANYARDS

Upon arrival, please direct your dancers to Julie's Merch table in the front lobby, for them to pick up their Rhythm dance medal with an "End of an Era" lanyard. We hope your dancers will enjoy "building" their lanyards by collecting the pins they receive from the results of their dances. There will be reasonably priced "End of an Era" crewnecks available at our Merch table.

SCHEDULE

I am including your PRELIMINARY schedule attached to this email.

The times on the schedule are approximate because we do not know the exact timing until your changes are made. Please let me know that you received it!

Please email any questions or concerns about the schedule to me at Nancy@rhythmdance.com

If you have any conflicts or changes, **please include the entry #** so it is easier for me to find. Please check the following:

1. Make sure all your entries are on the schedule.
2. Spelling of song titles and names ~ only solo, duet/trio dancers' names will be the program.
3. Make sure that there is a minimum of 5 numbers between your dances to allow for costume changes for each dancer. Check the time as well in case there is an awards session that would erase your conflict.
4. Remember that we discourage props for solos, duets and trios unless the dancers carry them on and off stage themselves
5. Please remember and respect our time limits:

Solos and Duet/Trios are 2:45

All Groups are 4 minutes. Extended groups are 4 – 6 minutes Production 10 minutes.

SCHEDULE CHANGES

must all be done before the program goes to print.

Studio directors, please notify Nancy at nancy@rhythmdance.com of any necessary changes Before May 10.

NUMBER OF TEACHERS:

Please let Nancy know how many teachers you will be bringing to Rhythm Brantford.

LIVE STREAMING

We will live stream all of our events through the DanceBUG app. Please encourage your dancers AND parents, to upload the DanceBUG app.

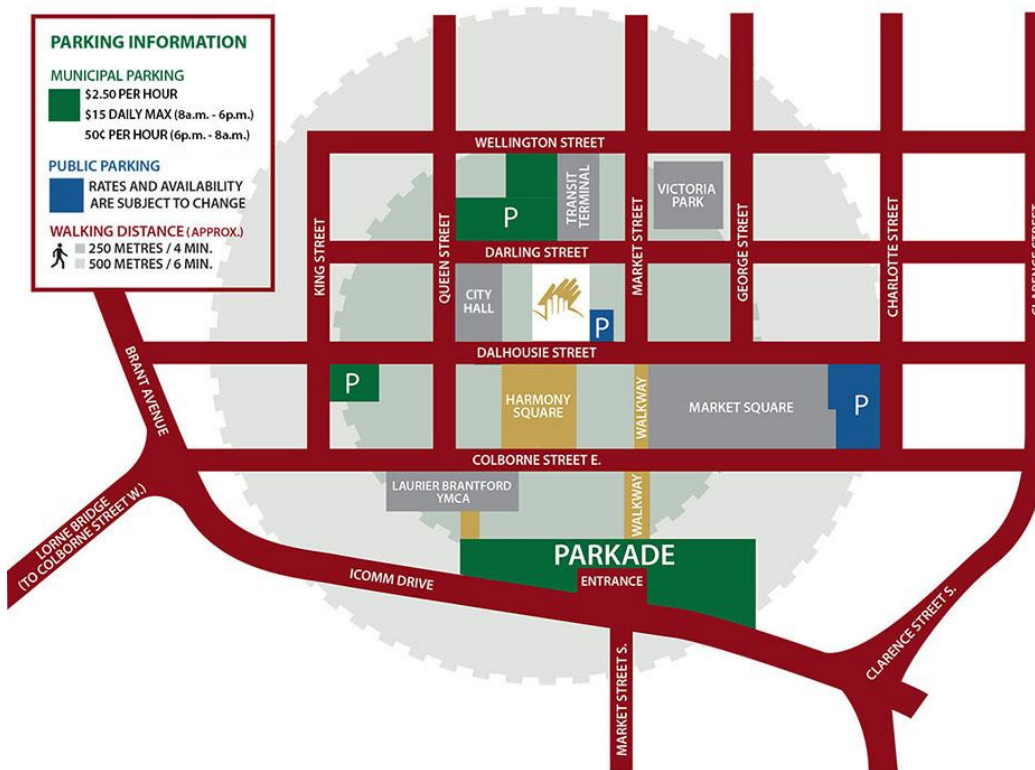
PARKING <https://www.sandersoncentre.ca/en/visit-us/getting-here.aspx>

Paid public parking lots and time limited free on-street parking can be found in the area surrounding the Sanderson Centre. Please note that nearby parking lots are pay and display. **Parking in the TD Bank lot is not allowed, and cars will get towed from this lot.**

Mobile Pay Option for Municipal Parking Lots

You can now pay for your parking without standing in line for the machines. Note this is only for the municipal parking lots located on Darling St. and King St.

Pay for Parking



AWARDS SESSIONS

When an age division is final, we will award overalls, so your families do not have to wait for a long AWARDS session Sunday, when the competition is complete.

MUSIC

Music is played by a SC Technician from the theatre. Please upload your music to your DanceBUG account as soon as you can but BEFORE May 10, so we can create a playlist on Sports Sound Pro, which has the option for variable speed.

Please format your music in MP3 format so we can use it with our playback software without us having to change the format.

It is a good idea to bring your music on USB for backup.

Please be aware that downloading music from i-tunes, often creates an MP4 format. We need it in MP3format

A free program for converting your music to MP3 can be found at

<https://www.videolan.org/index.html>

DRESSING ROOMS

Dressing Rooms will be open 1 hour prior to the start of each day. Friday: 7:15 a.m. Saturday 7:15 a.m. Sunday 8:00 a.m.

We are very fortunate to showcase your dancers in this beautiful theatre. The biggest complaint about the Sanderson Centre is the lack of change room space.

Rack and Roll bags are NOT permitted at the theatre.

We strongly recommend that your dancers come to the theatre with make-up and hair already done. We suggest putting each costume in individual plastic Dollar Store bags and take a costume to the car when that dance is completed and pick up the costume for the next dance from your car. There is just not enough space to store costumes in the dressing rooms and often, costumes go missing amidst the chaos!! We have looked at other options in renting space for additional dressing rooms, but we have come up empty when considering the safety and security of the dancers in downtown Brantford. The layout of the change room space at the Sanderson Centre is not conducive assigning studio dressing rooms. Please share the available space.

PLEASE encourage your parents to stay out of the dressing rooms unless they have a dancer under the age of 10 who needs help. PLEASE use the dressing rooms only for costume changes and minimal make up touches only. Boys & Gender Neutral change rooms are on the main floor. NO males are permitted upstairs.

We are really looking forward to having the opportunity to work you and your team at the Sanderson Centre. This letter will be posted on our website. www.rhythmdance.com Please pass on this info to your dancers and families so there are no surprises, and we can all work together to have a positive and successful weekend!

Kindest regards,
Nancy & Donna