



## LOWER NORTH COAST JUNIOR DANCE ENSEMBLE 2022

### **Attention: Principals, Head Teacher Creative Arts and Primary Dance Teachers**

**Applications for the 2022 Lower North Coast Junior Dance Ensemble are now OPEN.** Membership is by audition only and is open to dance students from Years 5-8 in 2022 attending public schools, particularly but not limited to the Lower and Mid North Coast, Hastings, and Great Lakes Networks. This ensemble is aimed at talented dance students who display a high level of technical skill, performance quality and wish to be involved in the choreographic process to create, learn and perform a dance work at the 2022 Lower North Coast Dance Festival.

We are thrilled to announce that we have secured Millie Slennett, professional choreographer, to work collaboratively with the dancers to create an original dance work.

#### **How to apply:**

1. The student is to be filmed performing a 1-minute solo within their chosen dance style to particularly highlight their technical skills and performance quality. This is to be filmed in a dance space, from the front, in one shot (no editing) with the whole body visible at all times. Students are to wear plain, form fitting dance attire with midriff covered and have tidy hair (costumes not required).
2. **Nominating teachers** complete the online application form accessible from the following link. **Nominating teachers** will upload their student's video directly into the form.

<https://forms.office.com/r/Z2J2znZFbX>

***\*Please note: you will need to be signed into your Department of Education email account to complete this form.***

3. Complete a signed "Endorsement Form" (P.4 of this document) and upload this to the audition form by the due date (27<sup>th</sup> April 2022)



## Rehearsal Times

Rehearsals will occur in Port Macquarie from 10:30am - 3:00pm on following dates:

- Wednesday 4 May 2022
- Thursday 5 May 2022
- Wednesday 15th June 2022

\*\* Please note that some rehearsal dates may change due to the choreographer's schedule.

All rehearsals are compulsory. Failure to attend rehearsals will result in immediate exclusion from the Ensemble.

## Performance Opportunities

Successful students will perform at:

- Lower North Coast Dance Festival in Port Macquarie (21 - 24 June 2022)
- There is the potential of the following opportunities dependant on the availability of tutors and/or ensemble members:
- State Dance Festival in Sydney (TBA 2022, if successfully auditioned)
- Any other performance opportunities that may arise as the year goes on

## COVID Safe

The LNC Junior Dance Ensemble will be a COVID Safe event. More details will be available upon acceptance into the program.

## Fees

The yearly ensemble fee of **\$100** covers the hire of tutors and the supply of costumes which are to be returned to the LNC Junior Dance Ensemble program (all prices include GST). Students will need to cover the costs of their own travel and accommodation if needed.

## Further Information

Further enquiries relating to the **LNC Junior Dance Ensemble** should be directed to [peta.harris1@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:peta.harris1@det.nsw.edu.au)

**Closing Date WEDNESDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2022, 3:30 PM**

**Late applications will not be accepted**



Trained in classical ballet (RAD), Lyrical, Contemporary, Broadway/commercial Jazz, Musical Theatre, Hip Hop and ISTD tap/modern. She is a qualified Acrobatic Arts instructor, with over 11 years of teaching experience in most genres with her concentrations being Contemporary/Lyrical & Technical/Broadway/Commercial Jazz.

After graduating from Newtown High School of The Performing Arts, Millie completed her full-time dance training in New York City with Broadway Dance Centre at the age of 19. Whilst over there, she appeared as a dancer on Good Morning America, featured in a music video for Bray entertainment and took part in various flash mobs, corporate and charity events. She currently travels around Australia teaching workshops, choreographing for various companies and studios as well as adjudicating dance competitions.

Millie's most recent performance and choreographic credits include: Choreographing for LOcREaDO Dance program, Teaching at Sydney Dance Company, Creative directing/choreographing for NSW Department of Education, performing as a contemporary principal dancer in season 3 of Tracie Stanfield's Construction Company, Adjudicating GTB 2020, RFPA 2019-2020, ELITE EISTEDDFOD 2020, Teaching Australian/international workshops for Lucy Ellis Dance/Elite Training Extension Program/ Ashworks Dance Association.

Some of her notable previous credits include, Fanta/Coca Cola Australia, Dance captain on the DiDi Australia float for Pride WA, Choreographer/performer RQCC charity event, L'Oréal Australia, Matrix Playground, Toni & Guy, Choreographer/performer Chris Rose music video, Peppa Pig's Play date.



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### ENDORSEMENT OF STUDENT APPLICATION

- **Nominating teachers** are to complete the online application and audition form using **DoE email credentials** in addition to this endorsement form. <https://forms.office.com/r/Z2J2znZFbX>

#### Student Details

Student Name: _____	School Year: _____
School: _____	Parent Mobile: _____
Parent Email: _____	

#### Program Details

Nominating teachers and students must consult with their school concerning the policy in obtaining the Principal's approval. It is the nominating teacher's responsibility to ensure that this "Endorsement Form" is uploaded to the application and audition form by the due date. Late applications will not be considered. Students are required to attend rehearsals at in Port Macquarie on: 4<sup>th</sup> May, 5<sup>th</sup> May, 15<sup>th</sup> June 2022. They will also perform at the Lower North Coast Dance Festival 21-24 June 2022. Students are required to cover the costs for any travel or accommodation and pay the \$100 membership fee if they are accepted.

#### Parent/Guardian Permission

I give permission for my child to <b>apply for the 2022 LNC Junior Dance Ensemble.</b>	
Parent/Guardian Name: _____	
Mobile: _____	
Parent/Guardian Email: _____	
Parent/Guardian Signature: _____	Date: ____/____/____
<input type="checkbox"/> I acknowledge that this event/activity is required to be held in accordance with any current NSW Health COVID-19 Public Health Orders and the NSW Department of Education's policies and procedures. I acknowledge and accept that there is a risk that my child may be exposed to COVID-19 whilst attending and participating at this event. I confirm that my child will not attend if displaying any symptoms of illness, and/or if directed to isolate under public health orders.	

#### Principal Permission

I endorse the above-named student's application for the <b>2022 LNC Junior Dance Ensemble</b>	
Nominating Teacher's Name: _____	
Principal Name: _____	
Principal Signature: _____	Date: ____/____/____