

THE NEWMAN Company
Handbook
2023/2024 Season

Auditions

Auditions Dates:

1. Auditions will be held on 8/18 (12:00-3:30) & 8/19 (9:00-3:00pm.) Auditions are required to be considered for our TNC 2024 Team. Please review the document “TNC Audition Process” for more details.

Audition Process:

1. Please fill out one TNC Audition Form for each dancer wishing to audition. This will provide general information that will be used throughout the season. You can find our online submission form by going to our website at www.thenewmandancecenter.com under “THE NEWMAN Company” tab.
2. There is an audition fee of \$65/per dancer if not enrolled in camp. Dancers not enrolled in camp will be emailed videos of choreography throughout the week. It is the dancers responsibility to learn the audition choreography on their own and have it prepared for audition day. This fee will cover audition time at the studio and the administrative work that follows the audition process.
3. There is a \$30 audition fee if registered for TNC Prep Camp. This fee will cover the full 6-9 hour audition process as well as the administrative work that will take place by our Company coaches and Director to cast dances and send out each dancer's required/potential fall class schedule.
4. How to prepare for your audition:
 - Please review the document “TNC Audition Process”

Commitment Deadline:

1. We will announce the company via email on, or before, August 22, 2023. If you've been accepted to the company, you will receive a follow up email with which dances you have been cast in. This email will also contain the specific rehearsal times for each TNC Rehearsal Block (where we rehearse each TNC dance) as well as the list of required classes for the Fall/Spring Season. We ask

that you commit and register for your assigned TNC classes, as well as your required recreational classes no later than August 27, 2023. This will give our coaches time to prepare their dances for the first Rehearsal Block, and for our billing to be completed prior to our scheduled first due date.

2023/2024 Company Logistics:

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1. Competitive solos are available upon request. Please be mindful that our schedule fills quickly and available openings for solos are on a first come first serve basis.
2. Prospective company members are able to request to be considered for duets/trios.
 - Solos/Duets/Trios that will be performing/competing in the 2023/2024 season will be scheduled during the week, and will have a weekly 30 minute class time. These classes are required to have a full September-June registration.
 - Competitive Duets/Trios will be chosen at the sole discretion of our company coaches. While we accept requests for partners and genres, our knowledgeable coaches and choreographers will ultimately choose duet/trio partners as well as the genres that they will compete in based on a series of our studio guidelines.
3. Company dances will be a mix of small groups and large groups for the 2023/2024 season.
4. THE NEWMAN Company Coaches and judges will determine who will be in which dances. We ask that you trust our decisions as there are many factors that go into this decision making process.
5. This season our TNC will be competing a Production Dance. Any Mini Troupe, Petite Troupe, or TNC Member is eligible to compete in this dance. Dancers who wish to perform in this dance MUST be willing and able to attend all 4 regional competitions as well as Nationals.
6. This season will be a Nationals season. We are looking at events in either VA Beach or Poconos, PA.

2023-2024 Class Requirements:

*All of the following requirements can be met with group classes, technique (NON- performing) solos or duo/trios, or a specialized class in that particular genre.

1. Every member of THE NEWMAN Company is required to enroll in a ballet class.
2. Company Members must also enroll in one additional *Technique Class per week*.
Technique class: "Leaps/Turns/Technique"
3. For every style of dance you are competing in, you must be in a corresponding technical class in that same style. (For example, if you are competing in a lyrical dance, you must be enrolled in a weekly lyrical class. That rule is the same with all genres of competitive dances.)
4. Company members must attend all TNC Rehearsal Blocks. (This does not include sickness or health concerns. Also, teen/senior dances that must be scheduled as 30 minute weekly classes due to scheduling, will be allowed a bit for freedom, within reason.) We will have 2 Saturday Rehearsals a month September-December. January & February we will add a third rehearsal and run it as a team FULL rehearsal with all TNC group dances If time allows, we will also add in our duets/trios/solos. Saturday Rehearsal times will fall between 9:30-3:00.
5. Due to the amount of dances expected for the 23/24 season, some of our group dances will be listed on the schedule as weekly classes. These classes will be 30 minutes a week (to equal the same amount of time that any Saturday TNC dance has- 2 hours a month.) These classes will also be discounted at the same rate as all TNC group dance classes. These classes will also end at the end of the month of April, just like our TNC Saturday Rehearsal weekends.
6. Company members may not miss more than 2 of each required weekly class, all season long. (This does not include Saturday rehearsals or TNC Rehearsal Blocks.)
7. Dancers are NOT permitted to miss the rehearsal directly before a competition. Absence from the final rehearsal before a competition (without preauthorization of the director) will result in the dancer being removed from those dances for the next competition. This rule is set in place for the safety of all dancers.

THE NEWMAN Company Tuition:

We place a huge emphasis on the recreational and training program within the studio. Weekly Recreational Classes and Saturday Rehearsal classes have separate fees.

Recreational class Fees:

- Each 60 minute weekly recreational class is \$75/month
- Each 45 minute weekly recreational class is \$60/month
- Company required weekly ballet class is \$75/month
- Additional technique required class is \$75/month
- 30 minute solo class is \$115/month
- 30 minute duets are \$75/person/month
- 30 minute trios are \$65/person/month

- Each genre the student competes requires an additional 60 minute recreational class at \$75/month. (*Example 1: A student is competing in a jazz dance so they must add a recreational jazz class at another \$75/month. Example 2: A student is competing in a lyrical dance so they must add an additional recreational lyrical/contemporary class.* *The good news with lyrical and contemporary is, if you register for a recreational lyrical/contemporary class, that gives you the requirements for competing BOTH a lyrical and contemporary dance. (*These classes are also available in other forms such as a 30 minute technical solo/duet in a particular genre or a 60 minute Specialized Class. If this is something you are interested in please email Ms. Brooke at Brooke@thenewmandancecenter.com for more details and explanation. Only available if studio space and teachers are available.*)

- 60 minute group classes MAX OUT at \$385/month. This means you have the ability to take unlimited 60 minute group classes for the flat fee of \$385/month. Registration for these classes are also open to recreational students, so in order to take advantage of this MAX OUT opportunity, you must register for each class you are interested in. (MAX OUT classes do not include Aerial Classes or Solos/Duets/Trios.)

TNC Rehearsal Blocks (to include Saturday Rehearsal and Weekly 30 minute Rehearsal Block) Fees: (These fees only apply September-April as all TNC blocks end after our last competition.

- Each 60 minute class block on Saturday is 1 Company dance. Each Company dance is \$25/month. This means you will get that 60 minute block, twice a month (2 hours total/month), for \$25/dance. (Example: If you participate in 2 Company

dances, you will pay \$50/month for those Saturday Company dances and each one will have its own 60 minute time block.)

- Teen and Senior Group dances that must run on a 30 minute weekly schedule will still be charged the same discounted fee- \$25/month- because it will work out to be the same amount of rehearsal time as Saturdays- 2 hours each month. These classes will also end at the end of April. *Solos/duets/trios continue to run through the end of the dance season.
- January and February- There will be an additional flat fee of \$30 for each of these months to account for the extra rehearsals added. (***This is \$30/person, NOT \$30/dance.**)

Company Member Fee: This fee is a one time a year fee used as an administration fee for cutting music, choosing, sizing, and ordering costumes, complete registration for all competitions, as well as all choreography, payment to have each of your coaches at competitions, and any necessary rhinestoning.

- \$75/dance not to exceed 4 dances at \$300 total.

Costume Fees:

- It is our goal to keep costume prices down this year. We will not exceed \$100.00 per costume for each dance. We will also make every effort possible to stay below this \$100.00 mark.

Competition Fees:

- Each competition sets their own fees for solos, duets, trios and groups. All fees are transparent and posted directly on their websites. Group dances will run roughly between \$60-\$70 per entry. Duets/Trios are roughly between \$75-\$95 per entry. Solos will run roughly between \$110-\$130 per entry.

Important Invoice Dates:

- **Regional Competition #1:** fees due by TBD
- **TNC Costume Fees** due mid October
- **50% Deposit on all Recreational Costumes and Finale Showcase Fee** due November 1
- **Recreational Costume Balance** due December 1
- **Regional #2** fees due by TBD
- **Regionals #3** Fees Due by TBD
- **Regionals #4** Fees Due by TBD
- **Nationals Fees** Due by TBD

Saturday Rehearsal Block Dates:

(Please note that these dates are subject to change once we receive our student conflict dates and once all competitions have set their final dates and locations.)

- Our season runs from September-April. We do not plan to have any Saturday Rehearsals for the months of May and June. This schedule is to give us the basic outline, knowing that there are conflicts I have yet to be notified of. If you have conflicts that ABSOLUTELY CANNOT be moved, please notify Ms. Brooke as soon as possible. We will review all conflicts and approve them on a case-by-case basis. **Please note that this rehearsal schedule is subject to change until September 1st, 2023.*

- September: 9/23
- September: 9/30
- October: 10/7
- October: 10/14
- November: 11/4
- November: 11/11
- December: 12/2
- December: 12/9
- January: 1/6
- January: 1/13
- January: 1/27 FULL CAST (9:30-2:30)
- February: 2/3
- February:- 2/10 FULL CAST (9:30-2:30)
- February: 2/17
- March: 3/16
- March: 3/23
- April: 4/13
- April: 4/27

Nationals rehearsals dates are still TBD. There will likely be 2 days of rehearsals just prior to Nationals. We will post these dates soon. (Late June/early July)

2024 Regional Competitions:

1. THE NEWMAN Company members will be required to attend 3-4 regional competitions.

- All regional competitions will be in held the DMV area
2. *The 2023/2024 season IS considered a Nationals Season (we do every other season,)

We are still waiting on competitions to finalize their 23/24 schedule but for now, these are the weekends to have on hold: (We are only going to participate in a max of 4 Regionals and 1 Nationals, however until all competitions post their schedule we must be prepared with backup options.) *Please note that until all competitions have set their final schedules, additional weekends CAN be added to this list.

- Original Nationals date/location had to be switched because 1 option was already “filled” and the other one had a switch in regional locations and we were no longer able to attend their regionals.

- 3/1-3/3 (*Petite & TNC)
- 3/8-3/10 (*Mini, Petite Troupe, TNC)
- 4/5-4/7 (TNC)
- 4/19-4/21 (*Mini, Petite Troupe, TNC)
- Nationals Manahawkin, NJ- June 24-28 (TNC)

Company Hair Style: Low bun with a center part. Instructions can be found on our Password Protected TNC page on our website!

Company Makeup: Company makeup instructions and video tutorial can be found on our Password Protected TNC page on our website!

Competition Day Outline: Coming Soon!

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