

Ellenbrook Ballet Academy & Erin Nash Ballet Academy are proud to present our 11th Annual End of Year Stage Spectacular



BRONZE CONCERT HANDBOOK

DECEMBER 2ND 2023

6.30PM - QUINNS BAPTIST COLLEGE

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QUICK REFERENCE INFORMATION

Quinns Baptist College

Concert Address: 8 Salerno Drive, Mindarie WA Concert Date: Saturday 2nd December 2023

Concert Time

6.30pm - 8.30pm

BRONZE Arrival Time: 3.45pm



1/ GENERAL CONCERT INFORMATION

The opportunity to perform in a concert is an exciting, empowering and confidence-building part of the training process. This is where we love to watch our students learn about the theatre, rehearsals and teamwork while they enjoy the opportunity to showcase their skills in a professionally run production.

Concerts are a wonderful way for students to showcase the results of their hard work and for family and friends to join in the pride of their achievement. We love giving all students the chance to perform for their family and friends in this supportive and fun environment and encourage even our youngest and newest performers to be involved.

If there is any reason why your child will not be able to perform at the concert on the dates and times provided in this handbook, please let us know so we can make amendments to the class routines involving them.



Participation

In terms of attendance, it is very important that students do not miss any of their scheduled classes between now and concert time so they can spend their rehearsal time together to perform their routines, feel confident and look amazing. If your child is sick for class but well enough to come and watch, this is preferable to missing out altogether. If for any reason your child will miss any of their regular classes in Term 4, we ask that you contact Team EBA directly on 0410 500 211 to let us know in advance.

Please note that any families with unpaid dance or costume fees will not be allowed to participate in our concert.

Please RSVP your dancer's participation in our End of Year Stage Spectacular <u>before</u> Saturday 28th October to ensure they do not miss out.

This is without a doubt the highlight of our year, and we are giddy with excitement to show you how hard our dancers have been working!

2/ CONCERT TIMES AND LOCATION

This year our concert will be held at:

Quinns Baptist College 8 Salerno Drive Mindarie WA 6030

We are excited to present TWO performances to our adoring audience this year! Our Budding Ballerinas will have their own show at 1pm, allowing us to run a more streamlined and professional show experience for our older dancers in the evening.

Bronze/Silver/Gold/Platinum/Brilliant Show

The show will commence at 6.30pm and conclude at approximately 8.30pm.

All Bronze Students need to arrive at 3.45pm.

There will be a 20 minute intermission in the middle of the show.

The following classes will be performing in this show:

All BRONZE Students
All SILVER Students
All GOLD Students
All PLATINUM Students
All BRILLIANT Students



Where To Park

- Please view the map below to observe parking nearby. Our venue is circled in yellow, and the entrance gate has been marked with a red X.
- We recommend planning your trip ahead of time so you are aware of driving duration, as well as any road closures or roadworks scheduled on the day.



Where To Arrive

- Follow the footpath through the gate and enter through the open door on your left (into the fouer).
- Miss Kath will be directly in front of you at the building entryway door to greet you, sign your dancer in, and direct you to your changeroom.

Signing In

- Upon arrival at **3.45pm** Miss Kath will sign you in and direct you to your changeroom.
- ONE parent/guardian may escort your dancer into their changeroom.
- Parents/Guardians then must leave the changerooms once the rehearsal begins. We will
 welcome to you back to assist your dancer with resetting their changeroom (tidying and
 organising everything for the performance) during the Dinner Break.



2A/ STAGE DRESS REHEARSAL

In order to keep costs down for families we run this additional class (aka. Stage Rehearsal) in replacement of your Week 10 studio lessons, meaning there is no additional cost involved.

Students must wear their full hair and makeup, hair accessories, costumes, correct tights and shoes for each routine in the stage rehearsal at the theatre. This stage rehearsal will be a full run through of the performance without an audience present.

The stage dress rehearsal will commence at 4:00pm and conclude at approximately 5:30pm.

Our Bronze performers will be arriving between 3.30pm and 3.45pm to join us as all performers must then report backstage with their hair and makeup complete.

Budding Ballerinas have their show in the morning and are offered 1x Catch Up Lesson as they do not have a Stage Rehearsal.







Your dancer performs their routine once. The stage rehearsal is a full run through of the show, with dancers in their costumes, hair and makeup, without an audience. Dancers do all required rehearsals and shows or none at all. There is no option to just do one. Please support your dancer in getting them to all the necessary rehearsals.



Dinner Break

A dinner break will commence from 5:30pm to 6:30pm. Parents are able to sign their dancer out with Miss Kath during this time to relax, have something to eat, get some fresh air, and rest before the performance. During this time dancers will also have the opportunity to reset (tidy and organise) their space in their allocated changeroom, ready for the performance.

We ask that families remain within the vicinity of the area, pack some dinner from home, or order some takeaway and bring it back to eat at the venue.

There is space in the foyer and outside the theatre on the grassed areas (picnic blankets recommended!) where we will all be able to liaise during the dinner break. Team EBA will offer some supervision in this area during the break, however due to the large volume of students we request that parents use this as family time.



2B/ EVENING SHOW

The Bronze/Silver/Gold/Platinum/Brilliant show will commence at 6:30pm and will conclude at 8:30pm.

All performers are required to report backstage with their hair and makeup complete and costume on by 6:20pm.

There will be a 20 minute interval between Act 1 and Act 2 of the show.











3/ STUDIO DRESS REHEARSAL - HELD AT THE EBA STUDIO

Here at EBA, dress rehearsals are a super important part of preparing for our concert. This is where we get to see the costumes working in a group to really compliment the dances your children have been working so hard on throughout the year. It gives us a chance to make any adjustments and ensure that everyone knows the expectations with costuming, hair and makeup. We can give any feedback on how to fix hairstyles, or how to apply makeup correctly.

Dress rehearsals will be held at EBA during your normal lesson time on the following dates:

- Monday 13th November
- Tuesday 14th November
- Wednesday 15th November
- Thursday 16th November
- Friday 17th November
- Saturday 18th November

This is the only time your dancer is required or permitted to wear their costume to class.



Students will need to bring their costumes, hair and makeup (optional) items for the concert. This includes hairspray, bobby pins, bun pins, hair-nets, stockings, socks, hair ties and safety pins.

Also ensure to bring the exact tights, underwear and shoes they will be wearing as well so we can double check colours, check underwear doesn't show, ensure hair is to the correct standard etc.

It is really important for everyone to come prepared, and this dress rehearsal prevents any embarrassing moments, stress or confusion on the day of the concert.

Students are encouraged to arrive dressed and ready for dress rehearsal, or you may get ready and prepare at the studio if you are coming straight from school/work etc.



4/ PHOTO DAY - HELD AT THE EBA STUDIO



We will be conducting in house photo days for use in our program, promotional material, and for parents to purchase. Your class photo day will be held within your class time slot the same week as Studio Dress Rehearsal week. This is the perfect chance to get some wonderful photos while everyone is ready in their costume.

Photos will be taken by your teachers, posed for group and solo shots.



5/TICKETS

Tickets for our concert will go on sale to the public on **Monday 6th November at 7.00pm** and can be purchased via the EBA website: www.ellenbrookballet.com/events

To ensure our dancers get to perform and show off their hard work to a full audience, we have a range of different ticket options:



We anticipate that this show is going to sell out, so please do not leave your booking until the last minute or you may miss out.

Tickets are allocated seating, so make sure you purchase your tickets early to get the best seat!

Performers do not need to purchase a ticket as they will be backstage during the show, not in the audience.

We do not charge for children under 2 years old to attend the concert, unless they will be occupying their own seat. Therefore, if your child is older than 2 years old, they require their own ticket/seat. We ask that you consider our dancers and other audience members when bringing young children to watch. If they become loud, distressed or disturb any other audience members, please take them outside to let off a bit of steam before returning to enjoy the rest of the show.

There is no room for prams in the audience. Prams will need to be left in the foyer.



6/ COSTUMES

To keep costs at a minimum, we provide all costumes to our students for a hire fee broken down below. Once paid, you may collect your costumes from the studio. You will need to bring them to the Studio Dress Rehearsal (at the EBA Studio - see Section 3 of the Handbook) and on Concert Day.

Costumes must be returned on the day at the conclusion of your dancer's concert in the allocated costume collection boxes. You must also return your labelled costume bag.

Please ensure to pack a spare change of clothes for your dancer to change into at the conclusion of the concert.

No costumes will be handed out until payment has been made.

Costume payments are able to be made from today.

Please see below a list of additional accessories your dancer will need as part of their costume. All dancers will also need their black EBA Singlet for the group finale dance.

Style	Hire Fee	What Else to bring
Ballet	\$55	Theatrical Pink Stockings Pink Canvas Ballet Shoes (no ribbons) Black EBA Singlet (with dancer name labelled inside)
Тар	\$55	Tan Shimmer Gloss Stockings Tan Tap Shoes "Flick" Ponytail Hairpiece Black EBA Singlet (with dancer name labelled inside)
Jazz Acro	\$55	Tan Shimmer Gloss Stockings Tan Jazz Shoes (no laces) "Flick" Ponytail Hairpiece Black EBA Singlet (with dancer name labelled inside)
Lyrical	\$50	Theatrical Pink Stockings Pink Canvas Ballet Shoes (no ribbons) Black EBA Singlet (with dancer name labelled inside)

7/ CARING FOR YOUR COSTUMES

Please do not attempt to wash or remove stains from any hired costumes as we will be laundering them as a group.

If your costume does get stained or broken, please notify the studio immediately for us to have a look and to fix the problem. Any damage or staining to hired costumes once they have been handed over to the hirer will incur a fee.



8/ FINALE DANCE

One of our favourite parts of the concert is our huge group finale in which all of our students come together on stage as a team for one final dance!

Your finale costume will be our Black "10 Years of EBA" Studio Singlet (which is worn as part of our uniform). The cost is \$35, and the singlets are available in a range of sizes for those of you who don't have one yet.

Alternatively, the original Black EBA Studio Singlet (now a discontinued style) may also be worn. We have limited sizes remaining, available at a cost of \$30.

The shirts are simply worn over the dancers' costumes when they are all on stage for the finale.

It is imperative that all students have their name on their shirt. To prevent your child's EBA singlet from being misplaced or stolen, please do the following:

- 1. Put your child's first and last name on their shirt. Ensure the writing is legible.
- 2. Bring your child's singlet in their name labelled costume bag (provided to you by EBA).

In addition, we also encourage students to bring a "Festive Hat" of some description (eg. Santa Hat, Reindeer Ears, Crazy Head-Band) to wear in the festive finale.



9/ END OF SHOW PROCEDURE

We've broken our "end of the show procedure" into 5 Simple Steps for you!

STEP 1

As soon as the show ends our teachers will be escorting students back to their changerooms. Please wait patiently as we coordinate this safely and swiftly.

STEP 2

One parent/guardian may enter the changeroom for Bronze & Silver Dancers when given clearance.

STEP 3

Find your dancer, change them into their clothes ready to go home.

STEP 4

Return all of your hired costumes and headpieces and place them into their allocated "Costume Return Box" before leaving. <u>Headpieces and costumes MUST be returned before exiting the concert venue.</u> We will also be collecting your labelled EBA Costume Bag.

STEP 5

Collect all your personal belongings (ie. makeup bag, shoes, water bottle, put rubbish in the bin, etc) and make your way to the changeroom entrance to sign out with an EBA Staff Member.

We know this can be a time consuming process and at the end of a long day we all just want to get home. However for safety of our students and logistics of collecting hundreds of costumes, we ask that you please follow this process.



10/ GROOMING - MAKEUP

BBRONZE Students:

- Pink Blush
- Red Lipstick (Recommend Rimmel Long Lasting Colour 500 "Kiss the Town Red"
- Brown Eyeshadow
- Eyebrow pencil (for anyone with blonde eyebrows... eg. Miss Erin!)
- Mascara or Fake Lashes (lashes optional but recommended)

Male Students:

- Makeup Optional
- Blush, Eyebrow Pencil, and Mascara recommended

11/ GROOMING - UNDERGARMENTS

• Nude coloured well fitting underwear (no boyleg shorts)





12/ GROOMING - HAIR

Ballet, Lyrical and Contemporary Students:

- **BRONZE**: Hair Straight Back (no part) completely slick down to the head with hairspray. Please also use gel or mousse if necessary.
- Place the pony-tail in line with the top of your dancer's ears in the middle at the back of their head.
- Create a neat bun using bobby-pins and a hair net.
- The use of a hair donut is recommended.

Tap and Jazz Acro Students:

- Create the bun as above.
- Attach a "Flick Pony" fake hair extension either on the clip, or straight to the bun. If your daughter has a lot of hair it is easier to remove the clip, however the clip is also much easier for fast changes if you need a bun for ballet. Please keep this in mind when making your personal choice to either remove or keep your clip.
- "Flick Pony" hairpieces can be purchased online or at any dance-wear store and are matched to your dancer's hair colour.

Male Dancers:

- Hair neat and tidy
- No flyaways.
- Use Gel or Mousse if necessary.









13/ IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- As always, the safety of our dance family is our #1 priority. When students arrive at the concert
 they are to be signed in by a parent or guardian, and must be signed out when it is time to
 leave. Students are not permitted to leave the venue while the concert is running. No
 exceptions.
- Only EBA staff are permitted side stage. The backstage dressing rooms are for students and will not be able to be accessed by parents/guardians during the performance.
- Please try not to bring anything valuable, especially electronic devices. Our studio and the venue will take no responsibility if any personal items are damaged, misplaced, lost or stolen.
- Private videography and photography is strictly prohibited as we will have professionals attending on the day to provide these services for us leaving you free to sit back and enjoy the show in the moment!
- Explicit language, inappropriate attire, offensive clothing and criminal behaviour will not be tolerated. Consuming alcohol and smoking are not permitted.
- ALL students are to have their name marked off when they arrive at the venue. If your child has
 any Medical Conditions that may require attention whilst in our care or are carrying any
 medication with them, please notify Miss Mel and/or Miss Kath when you sign in. Please arrive
 with hair and makeup done and ready to go onstage.
- EBA believes in non-discrimination, and in doing the best to make our students feel comfortable at all times we request female adults only in the female change-room and male adults only in the male change-room. This is purely for the comfort and peace of mind of our students and staff (and myself) whilst undergoing some quick costume changes. A changeroom will be provided for our adult dancers (18yrs+)
- There are also toilet cubicle facilities available for those students seeking more privacy when changing.
- When being picked up, all dancers under 18yrs need to be signed out of the venue by their parent/guardian. Please do not ask your dancer to meet you outside the venue or in the car park as a parent/guardian has to be seen for you to pick them up. If someone else is picking your dancer up, they need to have a permission note with a photo to show who will be supervising and collecting them.
- When coming into the backstage area only one parent/guardian per dancer is permitted. Strictly NO PRAMS as there is just not enough space. If you have a baby or toddler that needs supervising please arrange for another family member to keep them during this time.



14/ WHAT TO BRING

All children must bring a <u>clearly labelled bag</u> with extra hair spray, gel, hair elastics, bobby pins, and safety pins. Please ensure any medication required is packed and clearly labelled with instructions.

Your makeup must also be packed and clearly labelled as well as your dance shoes, stockings, socks and dance underwear.

Don't forget your costume bag and provided coat hangers! If you have a portable costume rack, please bring it as hanging space is quite limited (but please consider that you are sharing the changeroom space with others).

We recommend you keep your dancer's labelled singlet for the finale in this bag so our teachers will know which shirt belongs to your child.

Once again for everyone... please LABEL your shirt.

MEDICATION

Please ensure any medication required is packed and clearly labelled with instructions, and notify Miss Mel and/or Miss Kath of this upon arrival at the venue.

PERSONAL BELONGINGS

Children are discouraged from bringing any valuables including phones, iPods, iPads, laptops, or toys, as the venue and EBA will not take responsibility for any items lost, damaged, or stolen.

SNACK & DRINKS

Team EBA recommends dancers have a nutritious meal prior to the performance. A healthy meal and lots of hydration will ensure your dancer has energy for their performance and reduces the likelihood of a nervous tummy.



15/ PHOTOGRAPHY AND VIDEOGRAPHY

In conjunction with copyright and child safety laws, personal photography or video recording is strictly prohibited. We have employed professional Videographers and Photographers to capture these memories for you!

This means strictly NO PHOTOS and NO VIDEOS allowed during the performance to ensure our students and teachers remain safe.

If you use your device for these purposes you will be asked to leave the theatre and will not be allowed back in.

USB

Our concert video! Available through our website after the concert. These can be collected from our studio at an allocated time, or alternatively posted to you.

PHOTO PACKAGES

Photo Packages will be available online after the concert. There will be live photos taken throughout the show, as well as studio shots available in the foyer for your dancer to pose for portraits. All photos are digital copies and will be emailed to you once selected and purchased.









16/ TERM 4 CLASS SCHEDULE

Term 4 2023 runs from Saturday 7th October to Saturday 9th December.

We will have **no classes** on the day of our performance, therefore the following classes will **not** be running on Saturday 2nd December:

- 8am Progressing Ballet Technique
- 9am Budding Ballerinas
- 9.45am Budding Ballerinas
- 10.30am Bronze Ballet
- 11.15am Silver Ballet

These students will all have their final Term 4 lesson the following weekend, on Saturday the 9th December.

There are NO CLASSES on Saturday at the studio on the 2nd December.

We have the concert instead that day.

Saturday students will have their final Term 4 lesson on Saturday 9th December.

Any dancers who are not participating in the concert are offered 1x Make Up Lesson to redeem during Term 4 2023 as they do not attend a Stage Rehearsal.



The most important thing about our concert is of course to HAVE FUN!

Our End of Year Stage Spectacular only comes around once a year, and
we cannot wait for you to see our EBA Dancers perform onstage!

Let's all make sure everyone is having an amazing time and enjoying every moment! It takes not only a village of our EBA Staff and EBA Families to put on this show, but also months and months of preparation and hard work by everyone involved, so join in the celebration!

Thank you for all of your hard work and dedication this year. I know it will be our best show yet!

See you on the stage!

Miss Egin



