



RUISLIP – NORTHWOOD FESTIVAL ASSOCIATION

SIXTY SEVENTH ANNUAL FESTIVAL

TUESDAY 2nd APRIL – SUNDAY 7th APRIL 2024

FESTIVAL GUIDE – DANCE SECTION

Welcome

Welcome all to Ruislip-Northwood Dance Festival. With a few weeks to go we just wanted to give you some information on the festival. If you have any further questions, then please ask your dance school contact to get in touch with us.

Location

Venue: Hewens College, Hewens Road, Hayes, UB4 8JP.

Parking: 2 car parks - next to the dance studio or at the main entrance. Additional parking on the roads around the school.

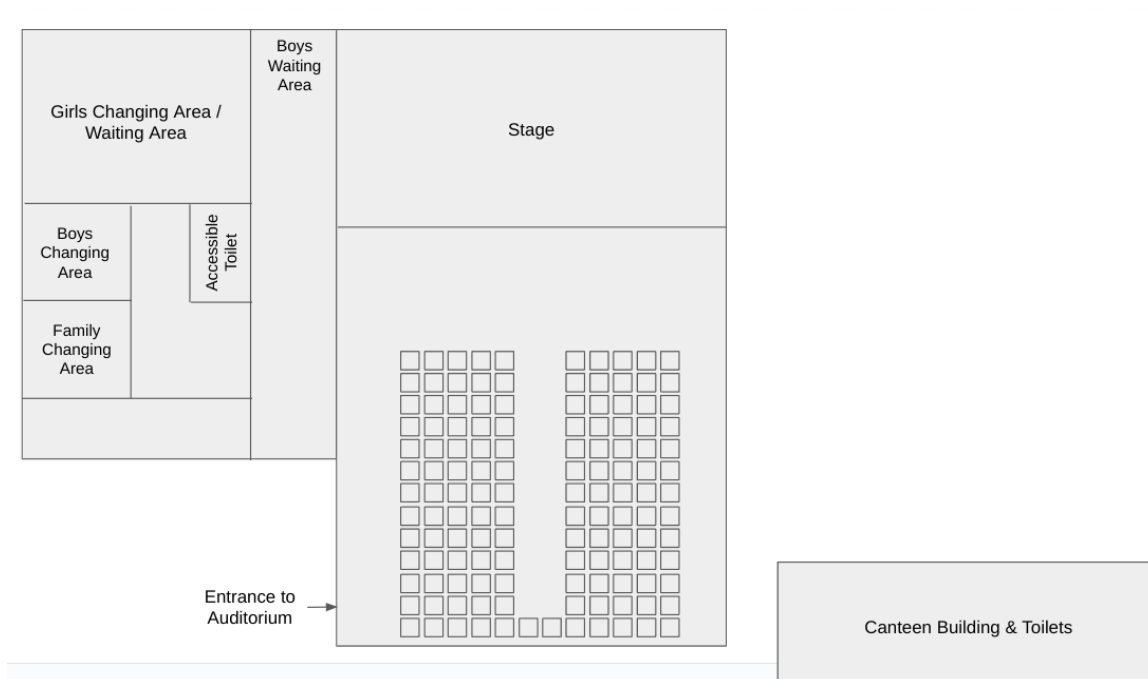
Please note we are in a London Ultra Low Emission Zone. Please consider this when travelling to the festival. Further details can be found at <https://tfl.gov.uk/modes/driving/ultra-low-emission-zone>



Dance Studio: Access to auditorium, stage and changing areas.

Canteen Building: Ticket desk, registration, canteen, certificates and DE Photos

All other areas are out of bounds.



Festival Day

Access to the site every day is from 8:30am and the first dance will start at 9am

All dancers **must sign in** at the main desk where tickets are purchased upon arrival located in the canteen. This is crucial for a smooth running of the festival so please ensure this is done.

Upon registration performers will be asked if they are fit and well to dance – if a child is taken unwell during the festival they will not be permitted to perform.

The female changing area is located in the main gym and there are also separate male and family changing areas. Changing tents will be provided in the gym and these **MUST** be used whenever a child is getting into and out of costume. Please ensure the tents are used sensibly. There is no separate practice area but the gym can be used. Tap shoes to be covered in the gym so that they do not mark the floor. **Males are not permitted to enter the female changing area at any time.**

There is a seated waiting area within the gym for the next section and one of the festival volunteers will register the dancers. Once registered the dancer must remain in the area. There is a separate male waiting area just outside the gym. Our performers licence states that we will chaperone dancers from the waiting area until after their class is completed. Parents/guardians are responsible for chaperoning their children at all other times and children will not be permitted in the auditorium, canteen or changing rooms without a guardian.



Tickets can be purchased from the desk in the canteen as either one session, two sessions or all day. The ticket desk takes cash or card. Programmes, group medals and lanyards can also be purchased. Adults can wait in the canteen area.

The canteen is available throughout the day. Main meals are available as well as sandwiches and snacks. **The canteen only takes cash.** Please note that allergen information is available for all food sold.

Dancers will be taken backstage via the side of the stage at an appropriate time before their section. **We can run up to 30 minutes early** so please ensure that your dancer is ready. We will run in the order stated in the programme. Please note that we cannot take additional dancers on the day, even if there are no shows due to the system we are using.

The stage and backstage area are out of bounds to all except authorised persons and entrants about to perform. Authorised persons include one assistant from each school who may accompany children under 7 years of age and older performers for the sole purpose of wardrobe or props.

Any props should be brought backstage by the dancer and removed after the section as there is no place to store the props. The AED rules for size and weight of props will be followed.

Access to the auditorium for parents is via outside so please ensure that you have coats etc in case of bad weather. To ensure the smooth running of the festival, access to the auditorium is only after adjudication. This means that you will need to remain in the auditorium for the whole section. No food or drink (except water) is allowed within the auditorium. The auditorium is small so please ensure that you use all seats available.

Music has already been submitted digitally by your dance school. There will be no means of playing CDs at the festival. Please ensure that you have a digital version on your phone in case of any issues with the music that has been supplied.

The stage has no wings. A curtain can be used for groups – please see group section.



DE Photos will be on site taking photos of all the dancers (unless you requested otherwise during the registration process). If you do not wish for photos to be taken of your dancer, then please notify the main desk in the canteen in plenty of time. Photos will be available to purchase after the section. **Filming/photography by unauthorised personnel is strictly prohibited for safeguarding reasons and no photos/videos are to be taken in the auditorium other than by the DE photographer.**

Certificates will be provided and can be found in the folders in the canteen area. Please note that for larger sections it can take some time for the certificates to come out so please be patient.

There is strictly NO SMOKING/VAPING on site.

First Aid

We have 4 trained first aiders on site - Kandi, Jude, Sheila and Sophie. In an event where a first aider is needed please seek help from one of these individuals.

Volunteers

At Ruislip Northwood festival we have an amazing group of volunteers who take time out of off work to help us run the festival. We are extremely lucky to have their help so please ensure everyone is treated respectfully.

We pride ourselves on being an all inclusive, friendly festival so please be respectful to everyone around you.

Ballethoo

The Ballethoo will take place on the final day. Winners from all E sections (15 to 19 years) who achieve the qualifying mark of 87 will be invited to take part. The dance festival reserves the right to invite those in second place or the winners of D sections (13 and 14 years) should spaces be available.

Groups

In line with a number of festivals we are requesting that every group should be accompanied backstage by a chaperone. The chaperone must be over 18 and either have an enhanced DBS or a full chaperone licence. Details do not need to be provided ahead of the festival but please ensure they bring an electronic or paper copy of the DBS or licence with them on the day.

If you require the curtains closed for any group dances then please ensure you have 2 people backstage with the group in order to do this. The chaperone can be one of them.

Trophies

Trophies must be returned on the first day of the festival, cleaned and in a good condition. Winners of last years trophies are shown below. As per our syllabus, if a trophy is not returned then the cost of replacement will need to be paid by the dance school.

CUP NAME	AGE GROUP	WINNER
Sarah Palmer Cup	6 yrs & Under Classical Solo	Emilia Leon – TED
Mr and Mrs High Cup	6 yrs & Under Stage Solo	Lily Golebiowska – MAN
Rafique Memorial Trophy	Junior Ballet Solo	Isabel Madin – GSD
Montanaro Cup	Senior Ballet Solo	Isabella McGarrity - GSD
Joan Westray Cup	Junior Narrative Solo	Kimara-Mai Petit – IGN
Amanda Fryer Award*	Senior Narrative Solo	Saskia Miel – MAN
Mrs A. Howe	Junior Global Dance Solo	Willow Crabtree – LCH
Ruislip-Northwood Gazette Cup	Senior Global Dance Solo	Giselle Bruce - ALL
Cynthia Carr Greek Cup	Junior Greek Solo	Autumn Ashall – ALL
Mrs U. Green Cup	Senior Greek Solo	Harri Hayes – ALL
Brenda Westray Cup	Junior Musical Theatre Solo	Evie Marner – FDS
Joy and Norman Fryer Cup	Senior Musical Theatre Solo	Rocco Cavaliere – ATS
Olga Webb Cup	Junior Jazz/Modern Solo	Kimara-Mai Petit – IGN
Susan and Wendy Shave Cup	Senior Jazz/Modern Solo	Amelie Appleby – IGN
Gill Hodgson Memorial Cup	Lyrical Jazz/Modern Solo	Kristen Leigh Petit - IGN
Brenda Westray Cup	Junior Tap Solo	Valentene Panayi – IGN
Sharon and Brenda Reed Cup	Senior Tap Solo	Eva McLaughlan – ELV
Karen Blackburn Cup	Contemporary Solo	Amelie Appleby – IGN
Dance Partners Trophy x 2	Junior Classical Duet	Lexie Howard & Molly Bleeze – ELV
Catherine Becque & Ann Sholem Cup	Senior Classical Duet	Isabella McGarrity & Ella Parkes – GSD
Joanne Lafford & Vanessa Gray Cup x 2	Junior Modern Duet	Lucia Thomas & Vivien Abreu – GSD
Marsden-Blackwell Cup	Senior Stage Duet	Amelie Appleby & Isabella Chiotis – IGN
Lyn Mabey Memorial Shield x 2	Junior Tap Duet	Alice Pagliaroli & Emmy Rasor – GSD
Maureen Law Cup	Senior Tap Duet	Coral Ellis & Grace Chiotis – IGN
Lorna Clark Cup	Classical Trios/Quartets	Freya Shearn, Mia Todd & Saskia Miel - MAN
Lucie Sellwood Plate	Junior Stage Trios/Quartets	Lucia Thomas, Jessica Pipe & Vivien Abreu – GSD
Sellwood Trio Cups	Senior Stage Trios/Quartets	Christopher Dixon, Eva McLaughlan & Sophie Horner – ELV
Valerie Lee Trophy	Junior Classical Group	Graham School of Dance – Character Group
Miss Eve St. Maur-Hill Trophy	Senior Classical Group	Elev8 Studios – Ballet Group
Joan Westray Cup	Junior Stage Group	Maria Anderson School of Dance – Modern Group
Sharon High Cup	Senior Stage Group	Maria Anderson School of Dance – Tap Group
Alison Campbell & Sandra High Award	Choreography	Lila Evans-Titre - MAN
Joan Westray Award	Most promising Tap Performance	Mia Raggio – IGN
Clare Brockwell Trophy	Most Entertaining Performance	Maria Anderson School of Dance – Junior Modern Group – Little Shop of Horrors
Karine Anderson Trophy	Most Promising Junior Dancer	Lucia Thomas – GSD
Leslie Hicks Memorial Trophy	Most Promising Senior Dancer	Rhea Powell – MAN
Peggy Burnside Cup	Best All-Round Dancer	Kristen Leigh Petit - IGN
Tanya Allen Endeavour Award		Tabitha Morley - IMG
Barr-e-to's Trophy	School Trophy	Ignite Dance Company - IGN
Balletthoo Winner	Balletthoo Finalists	Isabella McGarrity - GSD

We hope you have a wonderful festival. If you have any questions during the festival, then please just ask a volunteer (we will be easy to spot in our green t-shirts). If you have any issues or concerns, please ask any volunteer to contact Kandi, Jude or Sophie and we will come and find you as soon as we can.

Thanks and good luck to everyone taking part
Kandi, Jude, Sue and Sophie

**Please join our Facebook page for updates throughout the festival:
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