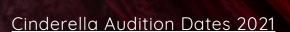
## MIDLAND THEATRE BALLET

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ENQUIRY FOR MTB'S PRODUCTION

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## Cinderella



Prelims: Sunday 5th September 2021 Finals: Sunday 12th September 2021

**Show Dates:** 

27th-29th May 2022



## Contact



Photography by, Tim Cross, Kate Frost, Imogen-Lily Ash & Sheyda

#### Welcome

We have enclosed our audition pack for your perusal.

If we can be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us on:

07836 555 937

Please return to the address below or via email:

midlandtheatreballet@gmail.com

With many kind regards Lisa Hollinshead, Artistic Director

> Midland Theatre Ballet 1310 Solihull Parkway, Birmingham Business Park Solihull, B37 7YB





#### Midland Theatre Ballet

'MTB' was founded in 2010 by the Artistic Director, Lisa Hollinshead. The creative project was formed due to the great need for a youth ballet company with its home in the Midlands.

Midland Theatre Ballet is unique in comparison to other youth ballets because the project is run over the space of 3 academic terms. The students train on Sundays over the three terms, working with some of the most renowned dancers and choreographers in the industry. MTB focuses on improving and developing dancers technique and performance skills, building towards four performances of Cinderella at the Crescent Theatre 2022.

Based at Birmingham Royal Ballet and Elmhurst Ballet School, our dancers are not only able to dance in the studios that their ballet idols use, but often cross paths with them too. Many of our former alumni have gone on to train with schools such as The Royal Ballet School and Elmhurst Ballet School and many of those dancers are now professionals performing with companies around the world.

Due to such popularity and need, the company has since developed three sister companies, performing in Somerset, Devon & Belfast.

With many varying roles within the ballet, we focus on the importance that every student has their opportunity to "shine" on stage. For those who are cast in corps de ballet roles, the company tries, within the story lines, to give similar performance times to those with lead roles.

Midland Theatre Ballet looks for dedicated pupils who have a passion for performing and can show this through their dancing. Our audition process is always an enjoyable experience and the prelimanary auditions are to give our prosepctive students an insight into training with our company. Audition candidates will take part in a classical class followed by an hour of Repertoire from Cinderella. They will then show this to the audition panel.

We wish you all the best of luck and look forward to meeting you.

## Auditions

The preliminary audition is on Sunday 5th September 2021

We are looking for **boys and girls aged 7yrs-18yrs**, who have a passion for performing and can show this in their dancing, with a sound knowledge of classical technique.

Application deadline is **Monday 30th August 2021**. Late entrants may be able to book via phone if audition places are still available.

Any talented child unable to attend audition dates should contact us and we will endeavour to make arrangements via video audition if necessary.

Please note, all candidates must pay an **audition fee of £30.00** prior to the audition taking place.

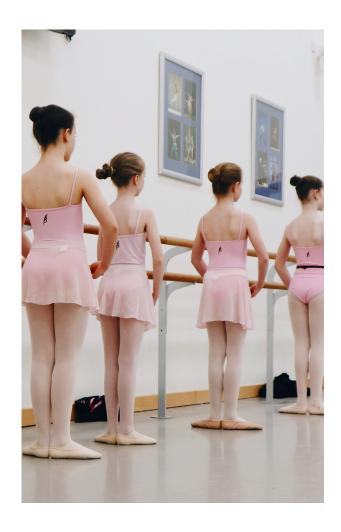
#### On the Audition day

Candidates will register in the reception area of Elmhurst Ballet School. As a safety precaution due to the pandemic, we ask that all parents leave the site once children have safely entered the audition. After the audition, students will be brought to the reception area for collection.

As part of the audition process, candidates will take part in a ballet class and learn a piece from Cinderella, which they will perform in front of the judging panel.

Normal ballet class attire and ballet shoes are all that are required. Older students in Group C may require pointe shoes but only if they are well established on pointe.

After their audition, students will be brought to the reception area for collection.



\*If older students are travelling alone please indicate on the application form.\*



#### Notification of placements

Students will be informed within seven working days of the preliminary auditions if they have been awarded a place at finals or if they are unsuccessful.

Results of the finals will be issued no later than seven working days with an acceptance pack for the course. Some children may be placed on a waiting list in case places become available.

#### Finals will be held on Sunday 12th September 2021

\*In the unlikely event that we don't have sufficient students of the correct standard for the production we would not be able to go ahead with Cinderella. In this case audition fees would not be refundable as we feel our auditions are worthy class experiences.\*

#### Fees

Fees are £300.00 per term (3 terms in total), payable at the beginning of each term, with multiple payment methods available.

Fees cover all classes, theatre and costume costs however students will be required to supply their own shoes, tights/socks and weekly MTB practice clothes.

On accepting a place, a non-refundable deposit of £100.00 is required and this will be deducted from the first terms fees. Should a student have to leave after their place has been accepted, the deposit will unfortunately be forfeited.

#### Scholarships

There are limited scholarships available for exceptional students which will be awarded at finals at our discretion. If your acceptance of a place is dependent on receiving a scholarship please write 'Scholarship Only' at the top of the form, or email us at midlandtheatreballet@gmail.com

# Rehearsal & Performance Dates

Date		Rehearsal/ Performance Dates			
2021					
Sep 26 <sup>th</sup>		Closing date for all Cinderella acceptance forms to secure place			
Sep 26 <sup>th</sup>		Closing date for all £100.00 deposits			
Oct 1st		First payment for direct debit customers			
		(please ensure your payment plan is set up in advance to make this payment)			
Oct	3 <sup>rd</sup>	START OF CINDERELLA REHEARSALS			
	10 <sup>th</sup>	CINDERELLA			
	17 <sup>th</sup>	CINDERELLA			
	24 <sup>th</sup>	CINDERELLA			
	31st	CINDERELLA			
Nov	7 <sup>th</sup>	CINDERELLA			
	14 <sup>th</sup>	CINDERELLA			
	21st	CINDERELLA			
	28 <sup>th</sup>	CINDERELLA			
Dec	5 <sup>th</sup>	CINDERELLA			
	12 <sup>th</sup>	CINDERELLA			
		CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS			
2022					
Jan	9 <sup>th</sup>	CINDERELLA			
	16 <sup>th</sup>	CINDERELLA			
	23 <sup>rd</sup>	CINDERELLA			
	30 <sup>th</sup>	CINDERELLA			
Feb	6 <sup>th</sup>	CINDERELLA			
	13 <sup>th</sup>	CINDERELLA			
	20 <sup>th</sup>	CINDERELLA			
Mar	6 <sup>th</sup>	CINDERELLA			
	13 <sup>th</sup>	CINDERELLA			
	20 <sup>th</sup>	CINDERELLA			
	27 <sup>th</sup>	CINDERELLA			
Apr	3 <sup>rd</sup>	CINDERELLA			
	10 <sup>th</sup>	CINDERELLA			
	24 <sup>th</sup>	CINDERELLA			
May	8 <sup>th</sup>	CRESCENT THEATRE REHEARSAL CINDERELLA			
	15 <sup>th</sup>	CINDERELLA			
21st & 22nd		CINDERELLA INTENSIVE			
23 <sup>rd</sup> -29 <sup>th</sup>		CINDERELLA THEATRE WEEK			
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## Audition Dates & Times

#### Preliminary

Sunday 5th September 2021

#### **Finals**

(if successful)

Sunday 12th September 2021

#### Venue

Elmhurst Ballet School 249 Bristol Road, Edgbaston, Birmingham, B5 7UH

Audition groups will be allocated depending on age and ability. The following timetable is a guideline and may vary as it is dependent on the number of applicants per group.

(Age limits apply from 27/05/2022 production date)

Further audition details and times will be confirmed by email one week prior to the audition, unless postal confirmation is required (Please specify on application form).

\*Late entrants may be able to book by phone if there are audition places available.\*



## **Audition Times**

#### Group A

7-9 yrs

9:00-9:30 Registration

9:30-10:30 Ballet Class

10:30-10:40 Break

10:40-11:40 Repertoire

11:45 - Collection

#### Group B

10-13 yrs

12:00-12:30 Registration

12:30-13:30 Ballet Class

13:30-13:40 Break

13:40-14:40 Repertoire

14:45 - Collection

#### Group C

13+ / Intermediate standard & above

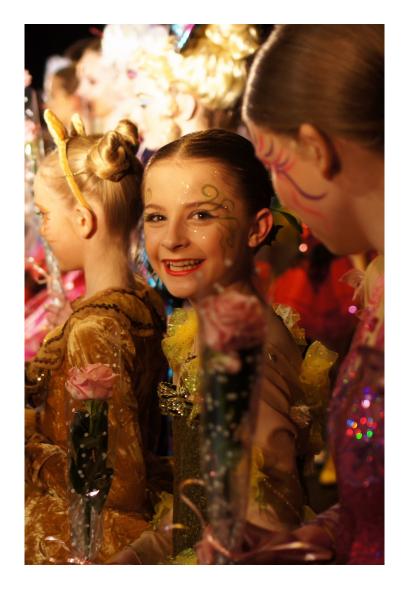
15:00-15:30 Registration

15:30-16:30 Ballet Class

16:30-16:40 Break

16:40-17:40 Repertoire

17:45 - Collection



#### **Audition Fee**

£30.00

Payable with application to Midland Theatre Ballet

By BACS:

Sort Code: 60-83-71 | Account No: 05011555

Reference your Childs name (as it appears on audition Form)

Forms can be scanned and emailed to midlandtheatreballet@gmail.com

or

Filled in online via the 'Apply Online' button on our website.

www.midlandtheatreballet.com



### Audition Application Form

#### Cinderella



#### <u>Personal Information</u>

FORENAME:		SURNAME:		
ADDRESS:				
POST CODE:				
D.O.B:		AGE ON 27.05.2	2022:	
EMAIL ADDRESS	S:			
MOBILE NO:		HOME TEL NO:		
HEIGHT:				
<u>Ballet Info</u>	<u>rmation</u>			
LAST EXAM TAK	ŒN:		DATE:	
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DO YOU STUDY	POINTE? YES	NO IF YES, HOV	V LONG F	OR?
HOW MANY HO	DURS DO YOU DA	ANCE PER WEEK? (APPROX	()	

## Audition Application Form



## \*\*ALL STUDENTS MUST HAVE THEIR DANCE TEACHERS PERMISSION TO JOIN MTB\*\*

NAME OF DANCE SCHOOL:
NAME OF PRINCIPLE:
ADDRESS OF DANCE SCHOOL:
Audition Information:
<u></u>
PLEASE TICK RELEVANT AGE GROUP: A. B. C.
WE WILL CONFIRM THE ACCEPTANCE OF YOUR AUDITION BY EMAIL.
I ENCLOSE £30.00 AUDITION FEE PAYABLE TO: MIDLAND THEATRE BALLET
PAID BY BACS: OR PAY BY CARD:
SORT CODE: 60-83-71   ACCOUNT NO: 05011555 REFERENCE: CHILDS NAME (AS IT APPEARS ON AUDITION FORM)
POSTAL ADDRESS: Midland Theatre Ballet, 1310 Solihull Parkway, Birmingham Business Park, Solihull, B37 7YB
SIGNATURE (Parent/Guardian):
*PLEASE NOTIFY US OF ANY MEDICAL CONDITIONS WHICH WE NEED TO BE AWARE OF FOR THE AUDITION ON A SEPARATE SHEET AND ATTACH.*
MTB PHOTOGRAPHER MAY TAKE PHOTOS DURING AUDITIONS AND REHEARSALS FOR PROMOTIONAL PURPOSES. PLEASE SIGN BELOW TO GIVE YOUR PERMISSION:
SIGNATURE (Parent/Guardian):
MY CHILD MAY: MAY NOT: LEAVE THE STUDIOS UNACCOMPANIED AFTER THE AUDITION:
SIGNATURE (Parent/Guardian):