

MIDLAND THEATRE BALLET

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ENQUIRY FOR MTB'S PRODUCTION

OF

Cinderella



Cinderella Audition Dates 2021

Prelims: Sunday 5th September 2021

Finals: Sunday 12th September 2021

Show Dates:

27th-29th May 2022

Contact



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

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

Attach
passport size
photo for ID
purposes



Personal Information

FORENAME: SURNAME:

ADDRESS:

POST CODE:

D.O.B: AGE ON 27.05.2022:

EMAIL ADDRESS:

MOBILE NO: HOME TEL NO:

HEIGHT:

Ballet Information

LAST EXAM TAKEN: DATE:

RESULT: SYLLABUS: (e.g. RAD/ IDTA)

DO YOU STUDY POINTE? YES NO IF YES, HOW LONG FOR?

HOW MANY HOURS DO YOU DANCE PER WEEK? (APPROX)

APPLICATION CONTINUES ONTO THE NEXT PAGE

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:

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):