



**PRE-PROFESSIONAL DANCE PROGRAM**  
**1355 N MAIN AVE, SCRANTON, PA 18508**

Commitment, integrity, self-discipline, balance - these four life principles are the backbone to The Brown Initiative's dance sector, **TBI DANCE**. Our Pre-Professional Dance Program expands a dancer's education with the intensity of big city dance training and live performance.

Thank you for your interest in **TBI DANCE**! Within this packet you will find ample information regarding how our program operates.

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## **I. PROGRAM STRUCTURE**

- a. As part of our Pre-Professional Dance Program, TBI DANCERs perform multiple times throughout the year. These performances range from live stage productions to festival appearances to visual media and more.
- b. TBI DANCERs will learn and perform in a multitude of dance styles, including (but not limited to) ballet, tap, jazz, contemporary, hip-hop and flamenco.
- c. **TBI DANCERs age 18 and under will participate in placement auditions.** Each applicable DANCER must attend these auditions and will be placed in one of multiple levels/groups.
- d. **All TBI DANCERs are required to take all classes and attend all rehearsals within their designated level/group.** These include both technique and choreography classes and rehearsals.
- e. Optional private lessons will be offered at an additional cost.
- f. The 2022/23 Calendar is as follows:
  1. **Open House: Sunday, April 24, 2022 from 2:00 – 5:00pm**
  2. **Placement Auditions (Groups A/B/C): June 27 – 30**
  3. **Summer 2022: (Adult Company) June 1 – September 5**  
**(Groups A/B/C) July 11 – September 5**
    - i. *Moscow Country Street Fair: August 5 – 7*
    - ii. *La Festa Italiana: September 2 – 5*
  4. **Fall 2022: September 5 – December 18**
    - i. *Kick-off to Christmas 2022 @ North Pocono High School: TBD*
    - ii. *Additional performance(s) TBD*
  5. **Winter Break: December 19, 2022 – January 1, 2023**
  6. **Spring 2023: January 2 – May 28**
    - i. *Visual media project(s) TBD*
    - ii. *Performance(s) TBD*

*\*Please note that the above calendar is subject to change.\**

**II. CLASS SCHEDULE**

a. Each level/group will cover a variety of technical and choreographic styles.

b. Below is the current 2022/23 weekly schedule:

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
	Group B 5:00-6:30pm	Group B 5:00-6:30pm	Private Lesson 5:00-5:30pm	Group B 5:00-6:30pm
			Private Lesson 5:30-6:00pm	
			Private Lesson 6:00-6:30pm	
Adult Company 6:30-9:00pm	Group C 6:30-8:30pm	Group C 6:30-8:30pm	Adult Company 6:30-8:30pm	Group C 6:30-8:30pm
	Private Lesson 8:30-9:00pm	Private Lesson 8:30-9:00pm	Private Lesson 8:30-9:00pm	Private Lesson 8:30-9:00pm

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*\*\*Please note that the number of levels/groups and the final schedule are dependent on the demographics of registration and outcome of placement auditions.\*\**

**III. ATTENDANCE**

a. It is imperative that all DANCERS attend every class, rehearsal, and performance within their designated level/group.

b. Should a conflict arise, please contact Christian or Dianna as soon as possible.

- c. Make-up classes and rehearsals will be offered for time canceled due to inclement weather, etc.

#### **IV. TUITION & PAYMENTS**

- a. There will be a \$25 registration fee due at the time of placement auditions. This fee will be waived for DANCERs who register by May 15, 2022.
- b. Tuition varies depending on a DANCER's placed level/group.
 

1. Group A:	3 hours/week	→	\$80/month
2. Group B:	4.5 hours/week	→	\$95/month
3. Group C:	6 hours/week	→	\$110/month
4. Adult Company:	4.5 hours/week	→	\$80/month
- c. Optional private/small group lessons also are offered in the DANCER's choice of style.
 

1. ½ hour/week	→	\$25/ ½ hour
2. 1 hour/week	→	\$50/hour
- d. Tuition will not be pro-rated or reimbursed if a DANCER is absent from class, rehearsal, etc.

#### **V. COSTUMES & SHOES**

- a. DANCERs are **not** responsible for purchasing costumes. Instead, a nominal costume rental fee will be incurred for applicable performances.
- b. DANCERs are responsible for providing their own dance shoes and proper classroom and rehearsal attire. Clothing should be form-fitting and easy to fully stretch and move in.
- c. All DANCERs will need the following types of dance shoes: flesh-tone ballet slippers, black flat tap shoes, flesh-tone slip-on jazz shoes, and flesh-tone character heels. DANCERs will be notified if additional shoes are required for a specific level/group.

## **VI. DISCLAIMERS**

- a. The owners/staff of The Brown Initiative are not responsible for any lost or stolen property.
- b. DANCERs agree not to hold The Brown Initiative or its owners/staff responsible for any injuries inflicted during classes, rehearsals, or performances.
- c. DANCERs recognize that they are participating in an advanced, intensive program that may be physically, emotionally, and psychologically challenging.
- d. DANCERs may be filmed, photographed, or recorded during classes, rehearsals, performances, or other events. Said media may be used in visual/audio media, on social media platforms, in printed publications and advertisements, etc.
- e. **NO DRAMA. LOVE, RESPECT, AND SUPPORT ONE ANOTHER ALWAYS.**

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