



Colorado Ballet Society's 2023 – 2024 Season August 7, 2023 – July 27, 2024

**Celebrating 26 Years of Dance Excellence &
Colorado Youth Ballet's 20th Anniversary Season!**



The 2023-2024 Colorado Ballet Society Season will run from August 7th, 2023 – July 27th, 2024.

- Primary Division classes will run for a 45-week period, from August 7th, 2023, through July 27th, 2024, excluding scheduled closures.
- Secondary, Upper and Pre-Professional Division classes will run for a 38-week period from August 7th, 2023 – May 25th, 2024, excluding scheduled closures.

We will continue to offer Summer Session programs in 2024 from June 10th – July 27th. Our Summer Session 2024 will span 7 weeks including Junior & Senior Summer Ballet Intensives, Acro Workshops, Competition Preparation Workshop, Sparkle Dance Workshops, Worship Workshop, Broadway Workshop and more!

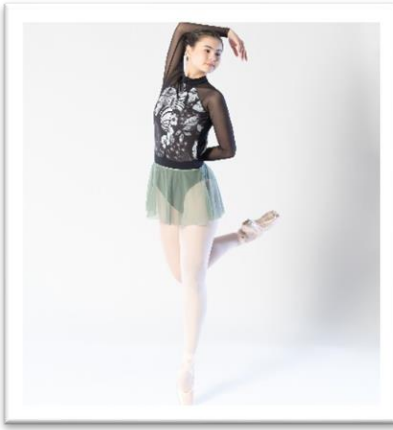
We hope you all know how much we appreciate you, our CBS community. We are inspired by our dancers and their families and are privileged to work with you every day. Thank you for making CBS such a special place.

Placements & Promotions

CBS wants every dancer's experience to be rewarding and challenging. We work with every student to determine level placement and to make suggestions on appropriate classes. This ensures optimal level placement for each student based on experience and ability as well as interest.

Levels range from our Sparkle Dance Program through our Pre-Professional Division. Advancement through CBS levels is unlike traditional academic advancement. Faculty and Directors assess a student's strength, commitment, maturity, mastery of material and artistic development, plus chronological age, to determine the best placement and therefore, the best experience for the dancer.

Level assessment takes place each spring. Because the criteria for advancement is wide and diverse, a student may find greater success by spending more than one year in a level. This is perfectly natural and is beneficial to the dancer's confidence and success.



Programs & Educational Opportunities

Sparkle Dance Program (Ages 2.5-5)

The Sparkle Dance Program is for dancers ages 2.5 – 5 years old and the classes are 45 minutes long. The program introduces children to ballet, tap and creative movement in an age-specific environment. Dancers learn to follow direction, imitate movement, and learn introductory steps to music. Props, such as Sparkle Bears, scarves, and hula hoops, enable these young dancers to use their imaginations, creativity and to have fun!

Superheroes (Ages 4-7)

Challenging the stereotype of early childhood dance classes, Superheroes is a class focused on building strength, athleticism, coordination, and determination in a boy-friendly environment, with girls welcome. Superheroes will learn basic dance technique as they explore the world of dance through daring and exciting adventures aboard pirate ships, in outer-space, and under the ocean depths. Capes and swords will take center stage over tutus and wands as students learn what it takes to be a gentleman or lady of focused determination. All students are given the opportunity to showcase their talents in a year-end performance.

Teacher Assistant Program

In its 7th season at Colorado Ballet Society, the Teacher Assistant Program is designed for dancers in Levels Encore 3-8 who aspire to pursue dance in the future. Students are mentored by our faculty to learn classroom management, execution of a syllabus and an introduction to child development.

Teacher Assistants gain valuable production and performance experience. As maturing dance students, we give them opportunities to develop responsibility and time management skills in a supportive environment. Hours could potentially be applied towards leadership requirements for NHSDA or school activities.

National Honor Society for Dance Arts (Secondary Chapter)

The National Honor Society for Dance Arts™ (NHSDA) is available for dancers in grades 9-12 (Freshmen to Senior) at Colorado Ballet Society. The goal of the NHSDA is to recognize dancers for their outstanding artistic merit, leadership, and academic achievement in the field of dance.

As a member of the NHSDA, you will promote a desire for lifelong learning in the field of dance and encourage an understanding of dance as an art form. Establishing an NHSDA chapter at our studio is one very important way that we can honor our students and help advance the field of dance education.

Eligibility for Membership:

- Applicants must have a 3.5 or higher GPA and submit a minimum of 30 points for induction (see point system form). A GPA of 3.5 or higher must be maintained throughout your participation in the National Honor Society for Dance Arts.
- Obtain two letters of recommendation (see back pages of application form). Please do not use Colorado Ballet Society faculty or a family member/relative.
- Applicants must be enrolled and taking classes at Colorado Ballet Society.
- 9th graders interested in NHSDA will be candidates for the season and may fully participate in all meetings, activities, events, and performances. 9th graders will accumulate their points within a 12-month period to be inducted during their 10th grade year.

Duties of a NHSDA Member:

- Participate in performances for the community and for Colorado Ballet Society.
- Be a leader and mentor to younger dancers, as well as show a demonstration of collaborative teamwork and motivation in the different aspects of dance i.e., choreography, performance, teacher assistant, volunteer stage crew, costume assistant, etc.
- Attend all meetings, monthly or otherwise assigned.
- Participate in a service project determined by the NHSDA members.



Performance Opportunities

All CBS students are invited to participate in the Spring Performances. Dancers may be invited to perform in Holiday Showcase, *A Colorado Nutcracker* or Spring Performances depending on age, level, or teacher recommendation.

Additional performances opportunities are available to dancers of different levels, by audition or application, through the CBS performing companies, Colorado Youth Ballet (CYB), Connexus Dance Collective (CDC), and Praise Dance Ensemble (PDE). Descriptions of the companies can be found on our website.

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| • CYB & CDC – <i>Take Flight</i> | October 28, 2023 |
| • Holiday Showcase – <i>‘Twas The Night Before Christmas</i> | December 2023 |
| • Colorado Youth Ballet - <i>A Colorado Nutcracker</i> | December 19-20, 2023 |
| • Pre-Professional Division, CYB & CDC – <i>Sleeping Beauty</i> | April 2024 |
| • Upper Division Spring Concert – <i>Across America</i> | May 2024 |
| • Primary Division Showcase– <i>There Might Be Dragons: A Journey of Boldness and Bravery</i> | May 2024 |



Tuition Rates, Fees and Payment Schedules

CBS is committed to providing aspiring dancers with superior training and is recognized for its level of excellence. To maintain these high standards and in the face of rising costs, we are making marginal increases in tuition rates and in some fees for the 2023-2024 season.

How Tuition Is Calculated

1. Tuition rates are shown in the table below. Each family's tuition fee is determined by the number of hours danced per week.
 - a. Please Note: 45-minute classes are calculated as a flat rate.
2. Tuition fees are calculated by the number of hours danced per week multiplied by the number of weeks in the Season.
 - a. Primary Division classes are calculated for a 45-week period, from August 7th, 2023, through July 27th, 2024, excluding scheduled closures.
 - b. Secondary, Upper and Pre-Professional Division classes are calculated for a 38-week period from August 7th, 2023 – May 25th, 2024, excluding scheduled closures.
3. Tuition payments are based on dividing the total tuition fee into equal monthly installments.
 - a. Primary Division tuition payments will yield 12 equal monthly payments, August through July.
 - b. Secondary, Upper and Pre-Professional Division tuition payments will yield 10 equal monthly payments, August through May.
 - c. Adult Spanish & Pas de Deux are calculated at a special rate:
 - i. These classes will run from August through October 2023 and January through March 2024 for x2 12-week sessions
 - ii. Each 12 week session will be calculated for a total of \$250 per session
 - iii. The total for both 12 week session is \$500 for the year
 - iv. For those that pay for the year in FULL, they will receive a discounted rate of \$450
4. Tuition is due on the 1st of each month and is considered late after the 5th of each month.
5. Open enrollment is available all season.
6. Sample Tuition: A Secondary/Upper Division dancer who dances 10 hours/week will pay a tuition rate of \$12.50/hour, based on the table below. At 10 hours/week, this student will dance a total of 38 weeks (recalculate based on # of weeks update) over the full 38-week Season. This calculates to a total tuition

fee of \$4,750/Season. The payments are spread equally across the 10 months of the Season, August through May, resulting in 10 equal payments of \$475/month.

a. *The formula works like this:*

Hours/week x Tuition Rate x Participation Weeks = Tuition Fee Total

Tuition Fee Total/Participation Months = Tuition Payment/Month

Registration Fees (due at the time of registration)

- \$60 per individual dancer
 - \$70 per two dancers
 - \$120 per three or more dancers
 - *Upon enrollment of 14 hours per week, more hours per week may be added with no additional fee.*
- *Please note: 45-minute classes (this applies to dancers who are only taking one 45 minute class per week) are calculated at a flat rate of \$17.25

Drop Fees

- Dropping one or more classes: \$20 fee per dancer per class drop
 - This fee applies any time a dancer reduces the number of class hours taken to cover the administrative and artistic costs associated with the schedule change.
- Dropping ALL classes: \$50 fee per dancer
- There is a \$75 recasting fee per dancer, per division, for dropping a performance after the performance fee due dates.

Performance Fees and Due Dates

- Nutcracker Audition Fee due August 26th, 2023
 - \$15 per dancer
 - Non-CYB Dancers Levels Encore 1-5 & Levels 2-8 are welcome to audition.
 - Dancers in Primary Division will be invited to audition based on age and instructor recommendation.
- Nutcracker Performance Fee* due September 12th, 2023
 - \$175 per dancer
 - *This fee is waived for CYB Members
- Primary Division
 - Primary Division Performance Fees include a downloadable link of the professionally videoed performance and cover the administrative, venue and rehearsal costs associated with performances.
 - Holiday Showcase Performance Fee due by October 1st, 2023
 - \$35 per dancer
 - Spring Performance & Costume Fees due by February 1st, 2024
 - \$60 per dancer
 - \$55 per each additional family member
 - Costume Fees:
 - \$75 per dancer per class
 - \$50 per dancer per each additional class

Tuition Rates

Hours/Week	Rate
*.75	17.25
1	17.50
2	16.75
3	16.25
4	15.75
5	14.50
6	13.50
7-8	13.00
9-10	12.50
11-13	12.00
> 14	11.75

Special Rates

Drop-In Rate	\$21
Professional Rate	\$12/hour
10 Hour Punch Card (\$19/hour)	\$190

- Secondary, Upper and *Pre-Professional Division Spring Performance Fee due February 1st, 2024
 - Secondary, Upper & *Pre-Professional Division Performance Fees include a downloadable link of the professionally videoed performance and cover the administrative, venue and rehearsal costs associated with performances.
 - *This fee is waived for CYB Members
 - \$110 per dancer
 - \$85 per each additional family member and/or performance



Company Fees

- **Dancers who participate in both CYB & CDC receive \$100 OFF their total fees.**
- A late fee will be applied if payment is not received within five days of the deadline.
 - **Colorado Youth Ballet** (by audition or invitation only)
 - Total: \$595
 - \$200 due August 22, 2023
 - \$200 due September 12, 2023
 - \$195 due February 6, 2024
 - **Connexus Dance Collective** (by audition only)
 - Total: \$375
 - \$185 due August 22, 2023
 - \$190 due February 6, 2024
 - **Praise Dance Ensemble** (by applying through the Front Desk)
 - Total: \$150
 - \$75 due September 12, 2023
 - \$75 due February 6, 2024
 - **Competition Ensemble** (by invitation only)
 - Competition Ensemble is by invitation only and per the Artistic Director's discretion.
 - The Artistic Director will assign dancers classical variations and recommend contemporary choreography that best suits each dancer's needs and talents.
 - Dancers will rehearse 2-3 hours per week, per piece (solos, duets, trios, etc.). Any additional required or necessary rehearsals must be scheduled as Private Lessons and paid as such.
 - ALL fees depend on a per dancer/per need basis.
 - Universal Ballet Competition Fees:

- These fees include the administrative costs of registering and maintaining a dancer's registration throughout the season.
- Fees are due at the time of UBC registration, on August 21st, 2023.
 - Solos: \$135 per dancer per entry
 - Duets/Trios: \$85 per dancer per entry
 - Pas de Deux: \$90 per dancer per entry
 - Ensemble/Repertoire: \$77 per dancer per entry
- YAGP & Denver Ballet Guild Fees: TBD
- Rehearsal/Choreographic Fees (due each Monday):
 - Classical Variation & Sr. Repertoire:
 - \$45 per hour per dancer
 - Contemporary Solo:
 - \$200 Choreographic Fee per dancer (a one-time fee made out directly to the choreographer)
 - \$45 per hour per dancer
 - Classical Duet or Pas de Deux:
 - \$30 per hour per dancer
 - Contemporary Duet or Pas de Deux:
 - \$150 Choreographer Fee per dancer (a one-time made out directly to the choreographer)
 - \$30 per hour per dancer
 - Trios or Group Variations Rehearsals (3 or less dancers):
 - \$25 per hour per dancer
 - Group Ensemble or Group Variation Rehearsals (4 or more dancers):
 - \$20 per hour per dancer
- Costume Rental Fees:
 - Dancers and parents reserve the right to purchase their costumes (in place of renting) as long as the Artistic Director has given their approval and artistic direction prior to the purchase.
 - These rental fees include the care, storage, cleaning, and alterations required for each individual dancer's needs.
 - 1 Costume: \$175 (per event)
 - 2 Costumes: \$250 (per event)
 - 3 Costumes: \$300 (per event)
 - 4 or more costumes: \$95 per costume per event

Studio Rental Fees

- \$30/hour for CBS Dancers & Families

Advertise with CBS

- Advertise in our Programs:
 - ¼ Page Ad: \$185
 - ½ Page Ad: \$235
 - Full Page Ad in Black & White: \$285
 - Full Page Ad in Color: \$320
- Advertise your business in our foyer bulletin board and monthly newsletter (this offer is only for current CBS Dancers & Families):

- Small Advertisement (smaller than 8.5x11): \$10/month
- Medium Advertisement (8.5x11): \$15/month
- Large Advertisement (larger than 8.5x11, max 11x17): \$20/month



Studio Closures, Policies & Procedures

Scheduled Studio Closures

Colorado Ballet Society will be closed on the following holidays during the 2023-2024 Season:

- Labor Day September 4, 2023
- Thanksgiving November 19-26, 2023
- Christmas December 17, 2023 - January 1, 2024
- New Years Day January 1, 2024
- Spring Break March 24-31, 2024
- Summer Break May 26-June 9, 2024
- Memorial Day May 27, 2024
- Independence Day July 4, 2024

Inclement Weather

For inclement weather, CBS will post a message on our voicemail and Facebook page, and email announcements to the community.

- For morning classes, announcements will be made by 7:00 a.m.
- For afternoon classes, announcements will be made by 1:00 p.m.

Make-Up Policy

Dancers are allowed 10 make-up classes during the 2023-2024 season. This applies to classes missed due to illness, vacation, or school events. This excludes weather or extenuating circumstances.

- Optional Maintenance Classes
 - Available as one of the 10 allotted make-up classes or for a fee of \$21/hour
 - November 20-22, 2023
 - December 27-29, 2023
 - March 25-27, 2024
 - May 29-31, 2024
 - June 3-5, 2024