



What is Team ADBA?

The Art of Dance and Ballet Academy offers a strong competition program dedicated to educating its dancers with a healthy approach to competition. Here young dancers are given the opportunity to develop personal skills and strengths as artists. **Team ADBA** is made up of some of our studio's most dedicated dancers. These students, while gaining a strong technical foundation, are given the opportunity to work with our innovative choreographers in many movement vocabularies, while gaining performance experience and building meaningful relationships in a positive team atmosphere.

How to join Team ADBA:

Every summer we host auditions for all dancers age 4-19. During these auditions students are evaluated for placement on our competition routines. Placement is determined by technical ability, age, work ethics, and performance quality.

Technique Class Requirements:

ADBA strives to provide a strong program, and in order to do this it is necessary for our Team ADBA members to be dedicated to regular technique classes. Each of our Competition Routines has a set of mandatory classes which are compatible to the style of dance(s) each Team Member is committed to.

See "Team ADBA Technique Class Requirements" page in your Team ADBA Packets for details.

Attendance:

It is mandatory for all Team ADBA members to be registered and have regular attendance in their required classes, and competition team rehearsals. Excessive absence of any mandatory classes (**less than 75%**) may result in loss of privilege in participation at a performance. The Art of Dance and Ballet Academy offers a large variety of classes at every level, and each dancer has many opportunities to make-up their absences in another technique class equivalent to the class they may have missed, or ballet (which trumps everything.) If you miss a class due to a scheduled competition, there are no make-ups available. No make-ups after July recital.

All team rehearsals are held once a week at a scheduled 30 minute slot, with the exception of the Production Routine. Team ADBA members are expected to be in class every week, unless they are ill or have informed the instructor of a conflicting obligation.

Students are required to put any expected absences (in technique class or rehearsal) on the clipboard at the front desk, as well as inform their teacher directly or via e-mail/phone. This is incredibly important!!! We are understanding if you communicate with us!

Competition Rehearsal Dress Code:

All dancers are required to wear solid colored, tight fitted clothing to all Competition Rehearsals. They may also wear any ADBA logo shirts. Knees must be visible in all Jazz/Lyrical/Contemporary rehearsals (shorts, tights, leggings, or fitted pants only.)

Team Deposits (Costume and Competition Fees):

Costume Fees:

Costume prices vary from \$75-\$150 for each routine. This rate includes costume, accessories, and props (if any are required for the dance.) Purchasing shoes and tights will be the responsibility of each individual dancer, as it is easier for appropriate sizing. (Solo/Duo/Trio costumes will be the responsibility of the choreographer and the family of the solo/duo/trio dancers. It will not be included in your Competition Company Total.)

Competition Fees:

Group Routines = \$55 (per person, per group)

Duet Routines = \$130 (\$65 per person, per duet)

Solo Routines = \$110 (per person, per solo)

Trio Routines = \$150 (\$50 per person, per trio)

****Your competition fees are based on the average price of the scheduled competitions for the season. These are estimates, and final prices will be determined at the start of the season.**

The Competition Company Total will be divided into 7 equal payments plus 1 final costume payment.

****Your competition company total will include all Group Costume Fees and Competition Fees for all 5 competition events, convention workshop fees (if applicable), 2 Summer Recital tickets, 1 banquet, \$50.00 per costume deposit. The final payment will include a costume adjustment balance to reconcile all final costume cost (rhinestones, accessories, etc.) The total will vary between each dancer depending on the number of routines they are committed to.**

The 8 payments are due on the following dates:

Payment #1: Monday, September 15th, 2014 (**\$100 deposit per dancer**)

Payment #2: October 1, 2014

Payment #3: November 1, 2014

Payment #4: December 1, 2014

[No deposit due in the month of January.]

Payment #5: February 1, 2015

Payment #6: March 1, 2015

Payment # 7 – April 1, 2015

Payment # 8- May 1, 2015 (Costume Adjustment Balance for Final Cost)

The Art of Dance and Ballet Academy accepts that any competition deposits be included with their monthly tuition. This is at the discretion of the customer. We accept cash, credit card, and checks payable to "ADBA". Late Fees will be applied to payments made after 10 days.



Team ADDBA Competition Company Agreement

Competition Events:

Team ADDBA competes at 4 (mandatory) regional competitions (which includes 1 convention) and 1 (mandatory) national competition per season. In addition, we offer 1 (optional) convention competition and 1 (optional) national competition. Regional Competitions usually fall on weekends and last 1-3 days, and National Competitions usually take place during the summer for 3-5 days (may be held on week days).

See the “Team ADDBA Calendar” for scheduled competition dates. All Competition Events are mandatory for all Team ADDBA Members.

*****If any team member is unable to participate in a competition event because of illness or injury, and we have already paid the competition fees, they will bear the liability of the foregone entry fees.***

**If any team member decides to drop a team mid-season or they do not inform the studio and misses a competition or they may be charged up to a \$100 re-choreography/penalty fee and possibly lose privilege to participate with Team ADDBA in the future.

Costumes, Make-Up & Hair:

You are responsible for rhinestoning your own child’s costume. If you do not feel comfortable doing so, you may consider paying another parent to do your rhinestoning.

It is important that every student take good care of their costumes throughout the year. All costumes should be stored properly in garment bags throughout the year. If any costume issues or damages occur, please let the choreographer of that routine know immediately so that repairs can be made before the next performance. You are responsible for your own costumes and accessories. All competition members should have a separate pair of shoes and tights that they use only for competition.

Make-up is required by each Team ADDBA member at every competition. Hair must be done in accordance with the uniform style. Please put extra time in your appearance at competition. This greatly reflects on our overall team professionalism. If you are new to the team or want some more info on hair/make-up there will be a detailed demonstration explaining this all at our Preliminary Showcase. See ‘Calendar’ for the date!

The “Team ADDBA Make-Up Form” will be available at a later date closer to performance events.

Team ADDBA Jerseys/Warm Ups:

Team ADDBA Jerseys or Warm-Ups are mandatory for all competition members. See the “Team ADDBA Jersey Order Form” in this packet to order your jersey.

Team ADDBA gear is required for all dancers during all award ceremonies. We encourage our students and their parents to be supportive by wearing their Team ADDBA gear to all competition and studio events.

Competition Showcase Performance:

Before our first competition, we will hold a mandatory Competition Showcase at the Yorba Linda Forum Theater on **Sunday February 1, 2015 at 2:00 pm**. All groups, solos, duos, and trios will perform in full costume. Ticket prices will be \$10.00 per person. No minimum ticket purchase is required.

Awards Banquet:

Awards banquet will be held in July 2015, final date TBD. Your competition fees include 1 banquet ticket for your dancer. Additional banquet tickets may be purchased for an estimated cost of \$30.00.

Summer Recital:

Summer Recital will be held on **Saturday July 25, 2015** at the Nechita Performing Arts Center. All team members are required to participate (unless due to unforeseen conflict) and purchase 2 tickets to this performance. Additional tickets can be purchased for \$15.00 general admission pricing. **Please note that only a selected number of competition dances will be featured in the Summer Recital.** All Large Groups and Production will be required to perform along with selected small groups, duet/trio and solos (to be determined). As there will only be one show, please assume that your dancer's duet/trio and solo will not be performed at the Summer Recital. The recital is primarily the focus of the entire ADDBA studio, showcasing technique classes along with highlights of TEAM ADDBA performances.

Solo/Duo/Trio Routines:

We encourage our most dedicated and talented students to compete in solo, duo, and trio routines at competition. **Please note that you must be an Elite Team ADDBA member to compete solo, duo/trio routines.** Rehearsal times for these private lessons will be scheduled through the choreographer and be paid for directly to the choreographer.

Elective Classes:

Elite Team members enrolled in any Turns & Leaps, Strength & Conditioning, Technique Barre, or Tumbling Class, will receive a 1-hour deduction off their monthly tuition rate calculation. Please note Tumbling classes require an additional \$10.00 per month insurance fee.

Please sign and date the "Team ADDBA Contract" form in your team packet so that The Art of Dance and Ballet Academy knows that you have read and understand the requirements that pertain to being a member of our competition company. Return the contract to the Team ADDBA desk folder before your September 15th deposit.

We look forward to another successful and fun filled season competing with Team ADDBA!

If you have any questions, please contact us at (714) 630-3323