

DEAR FRIENDS AND COLLEAGUES,

Please read all the information carefully.

The new SNPSD Executive are very pleased to announce that the 2022 Festival will go ahead - from **Monday 20th June to Wednesday 29th June (or Thursday 30th June (TBC))**

This decision has been predicated on -

1. The levying of the **\$200 Participation Fee per item**, previously advised, which will be invoiced by Glen St Theatre to schools on their acceptance into the Festival, by video audition.
2. SNPSD's hope and expectation that, for every student we have in the Festival, we will sell a **minimum of two adult tickets**.

THE FESTIVAL FORMAT

The format for the Festival has been determined on the basis of the following considerations -

- The capacity of the back-stage areas of the theatre (as regulated by council) to safely accommodate students and their teachers during live performances.
- The continued uncertainty surrounding Covid and its potential to disrupt the season (as happened last year) - To mitigate its potential spread indoors, in close quarters and between groups of students and teachers from different schools.
- The logistics associated with providing sufficient stage/dress rehearsal time, seat availability for live performance, item numbers and length of shows.

THE 2022 STAGE AND SCREEN DANCE FESTIVAL

This is a **half live - half filmed mix** - with 7 live items and 7 or 8 filmed items - Meaning 7 groups of up to 20 in the backstage (including the restaurant area) at any one time (for shows), with each group in their own dedicated "area".

Each item will have **one live show and one filmed show**, across the season. With 110 items this translates into **16 shows**, (5.30pm and 8.00pm). The films will be the same high-quality, multi-camera recordings that were so successfully produced for last year's all Cinema shows.

Dress/Tech Rehearsals/Filming Sessions begin on **Monday 20th June** and go through to (and including) **Tuesday 28th June**.

Shows (5.30pm & 8.00pm) begin on **Wednesday 22nd June** and go through to **Thursday 30th June** ((Thursday 30th, only if required) - including Saturday 25th and Sunday 26th June).

We are also offering schools an opportunity to nominate to be considered for an **extra live performance in a schools matinee program on Wednesday 29th June** and (possibly) **Thursday 30th June, with the proviso they bring a minimum of 30 students as audience** to a program.

STAGE 3 APPLICATION

The Stage 3 Application requires the following information - School, Item name, Email contact for Audition Feedback and most importantly **UNSUITABLE DATES** for Stage/Dress Rehearsal/Filming Session and Performance. There is also the option to nominate for an extra live performance at a schools matinee show.

[STAGE 3 APPLICATION CAN BE FOUND HERE](#)

Stage 3 Applications can be submitted now and close on Friday 13th May.

ONE APPLICATION PER ITEM PLEASE

VIDEO AUDITIONS

You will shortly be sent an email giving access to upload your audition video to the **SNPSD Audition Videos Drive.**

Please try to have (at least) one student in costume for the audition video. Please also film from a fixed point (i.e. avoid camera movement) that captures the width of the performance space.

Please label the video file as follows - School Name first - Item Name second.

[THE SNPSD AUDITIONS VIDEO DRIVE CAN BE FOUND HERE](#)

Your audition video **can be submitted once you've received the access/invitation email and close on Friday 13th May.**

WEBSITE INFORMATION

Our new website has some relevant information for teachers for the Festival, with our Participation Criteria, Safe Dance Information and Choreographic Advice contained on the Festival and Teachers Pages.

[The SNPSD website can be found here](#)

QUESTIONS OR PROBLEMS

As always if you have questions or concerns about anything, contact Festival Coordinator Kim Peade - kimberley.peade@det.nsw.edu.au

Looking forward to seeing you all soon. Best wishes for your rehearsals.

Stay safe and healthy.

SNPSD