

THE CUYAHOGA VALLEY YOUTH BALLET

Artistic Director Mia Klinger Welch

OPEN AUDITIONS **SUNDAY, APRIL 29, 2007** **3:00 pm**



AUDITION INFORMATION 2007

WHEN: Sunday, April 29, 2007. Arrive by 2:30 pm; the audition begins promptly at 3:00 p.m.

WHERE: Excellence In Dance Studio, Home of the Cuyahoga Valley Youth Ballet, 2315 State Road, Cuyahoga Falls, OH 44223, phone 330-928-6479

FEE: \$20.00 due at the time of Registration. Cash (MUST have exact amount) or check payable to the CVYB.

WHAT TO DO: Arrive by 2:30 pm to register and pay for the audition. There is a dressing room available to change into ballet clothing. If you live nearby, plan on having your dancer arrive dressed for the audition.

HOW LONG IS THE AUDITION? It will last about two (2) hours.

WHO CAN AUDITION? Girls and Boys 8 - 16 years old by September 1, 2007, and who currently study classical ballet and take a minimum of two (2), ninety-minute classes weekly. Advanced older dancers can arrange for a private audition.

Boys' Scholarships are available.

WHAT TO WEAR: Girls: black leotards, pink tights, technique shoes; hair in a classical bun with no bangs, no hair bows, no scrunches, and wearing NO jewelry or watches.

Boys: white leotard or close fitting white T-shirt, black tights, technique shoes, hair well groomed and off face; NO jewelry or watches.

WHAT SHOULD PARENTS DO DURING THE AUDITION?

Parents may not observe the audition. While the audition is underway, an information session led by the CVYB President is held in the adjoining studio. Learn what our 31-year-old youth ballet is about and what the expectation is for dancers and their parents. You will receive an information packet which explains in detail the CVYB's philosophy and requirements. Please be sure to review all the information and ask questions. It is very important that you and your dancer understand the commitment that you may be called upon to make should this audition result in an invitation to join the CVYB.

HOW WILL THE AUDITION BE JUDGED?

At registration each dancer will receive a number to pin on their audition clothes and will be known to the judges by that number. Depending upon the number auditioning, dancers may be separated into groups. Dancers will be judged on their skill and technique and will accumulate points during each phase of the audition. These points will be added together for an overall score. Overall scores will be ranked in descending order (highest to lowest) referenced by registration number. This will be the list from which Apprentice positions in the Cuyahoga Valley Youth Ballet will be filled.

WHAT HAPPENS AFTER THE AUDITION?

After 9:00 p.m. of the day of the audition, call the CVYB Information Line at 330.996.1100. The names of the dancers who will be offered a contract with the Cuyahoga Valley Youth Ballet will be listed. If invited to become an Apprentice Dancer, the dancer will be sent a packet of information including an Apprentice Contract for the 2007-2008 season and other documents. The contract and other forms must be signed and returned immediately.

Thank you for your interest in auditioning for the Cuyahoga Valley Youth Ballet!

**If you have further questions about the audition, please call:
the CVYB INFO LINE @ 330.996.1100 and leave your name, phone number and a CVYB representative will return your call.**

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