

Monday 19th August 2024

Dear Parents & Students,

RE: Photo Days (Intermediate Students: Mon 9th, & Wed 11th, Sat 14th September)

Our concert is quickly approaching! Please ensure you've marked your diaries for **Sat 26th & Sun 27th October** at the **Clocktower Centre** in Moonee Ponds. Concert Handbooks will be handed out in the last week of Term with all your dress/tech rehearsal details and necessary information.

This term, we will be shooting group photos in costumes at the studio for each class performing in the concert. This will take place on the same days you attend your regular classes, during the week of: **Monday 9th – Saturday 14th September.**

We have done our best to keep the schedule as close to everybody's regular class times as possible, however due to the time it takes to change hair and costumes, we have swapped over the Ballet and Jazz times on Monday 4th September. We will rehearse and shoot Inter Ballet group photos first, followed by Jazz.

Photo Day is a great opportunity to also get prepared for the concert next term and to practice doing the hair and makeup required for concert day. Please check the arrival and pick-up times for your Photo Day, along with the checklist of items you will require for each class.

Please arrive with Hair & Make-Up done wearing the uniform requirements on the Photo Day Checklist for your first class. Dancers who are in both Ballet and Jazz on Monday please arrive with Tan tights underneath your Ballet tights.

Monday 9th September

CLASS DAY	CLASS TIME	LEVEL	STYLE	TEACHER	ARRIVAL	PICK-UP
MON	6:15 pm	Inter	BALLET	Miss Donna	4:30 pm	6:00 pm
MON	5:00 pm	Inter	JAZZ	Miss Dionne	5:30 pm	7:15 pm

Wednesday 11th September

CLASS DAY	CLASS TIME	LEVEL	STYLE	TEACHER	ARRIVAL	PICK-UP
WED	4:15 pm	Inter	CONTEMPORARY	Miss Olivia	4:15 pm	5:45 pm
WED	5:30 pm	Inter	HIP HOP	Mr Taylor	5:00 pm	6:30 pm
WED	6:30 pm	Inter	TAP	Miss Paige	5:45 pm	7:30 pm

Saturday 14th September

CLASS DAY	CLASS TIME	LEVEL	STYLE	TEACHER	ARRIVAL	PICK-UP
SAT	9:15 am	Inter	JAZZ	Miss Angelica	9:15 am	10:45 am
SAT	10:15 am	Inter	CONTEMPORARY	Miss Angelica	10:00 am	11:30 am
SAT	11:45 am	Inter	BALLET	Miss Donna	11:45 am	1:15 pm
SAT	1:15 pm	Inter	HIP HOP	Mr Taylor	1:00 pm	2:15 pm

HAIR & MAKE-UP INSTRUCTIONS

HAIR

High Ponytail (Jazz, Tap & Hip Hop)

On very damp hair thoroughly apply a thick gel to the roots to slick the hair and make it workable. After applying gel and with hair still damp, brush back and up and secure with a strong hair elastic (or two) into a ponytail at the back crown of the head so that you can see the top of the ponytail when looking directly at the dancer from front on.

High Ballet Bun (Ballet & Contemporary)

First secure hair in a ponytail as described above. Then, depending upon the length of the hair, twist hair and begin wrapping in a circle around the elastic. Apply a bun net and ensure all hair is trapped inside the net. Wrap the excess bun net underneath the bun to conceal it. Use your fingers to then squish and blend the hair out to create a large flat circular bun. Press the bun against the head and begin to secure first with U-pins and then bobby pins until there are no loose or unsecured areas of the bun. You may need more bobby pins to secure any loose strands of hair such as above ears or at the nape of the neck. Then, apply more gel and/or hairspray to keep everything in place. Please do NOT USE hair donuts.

MAKE-UP

It is important to recognise that stage lights are exceptionally bright and will wash out all facial features if no makeup is applied. Stage makeup serves to counteract the reflective glare on the skin and to accentuate the facial features and expressions of our dancers, ensuring their visibility to the audience.

Step 1: Foundation Apply a matte finish foundation or translucent powder to the entire face and blend down neck.

Step 2: Eyebrows Fill in the brows using eyeshadow or brow pencil. This step is very important for blonds and those without light coloured brows. Use a colour that is a shade darker than the natural brows.

Step 3a: Eyeshadow (upper lid) Apply a medium brown eyeshadow to the eyelid, darkest at the lash line and fade it out as you reach the crease. Apply a white shimmer shadow to the brow bone to highlight and blend. Optional: Use an angular liner brush to apply black shadow/eyeliner along the top lash line ONLY.

Step 3b: Eyeshadow (lower lid) Using a thin eyeliner brush, sweep a line of medium brown eyeshadow from the outside corner of the eye and in towards the middle of the lower lashes. This will make the eyes look bigger on stage. Blend so as not to have a harsh line. Stay away from dark colours under the eyes, to ensure you have a softer look.

Step 4: Mascara Sweep a few coats of mascara though lashes starting at the base. Only apply mascara to top lashes.

Step 5: Blush Place blush brush at hairline just below cheekbone and sweep UNDER cheekbone. Make sure blush line does not go lower than the lip line. Otherwise, you will look like you've got a sunburn! Blend. Blend. Blend.

Step 6: Lipstick Finish off with lipstick shade "Crimson" by Hemp Organics or a similar colour that you already own. A lipliner pencil is optional but can be used to colour in the lips first which will help lipstick stay on for longer.

HAIR & MAKE-UP INSTRUCTIONS - BOYS

Hair should be neatly styled off the face with gel. Makeup is also recommended for Boys. Minimal makeup should be worn to stop the bright lights washing them out. Base foundation or translucent powder to take away shine, light bronzer to highlight the cheekbones and black mascara on the eye lashes.

INTER PHOTO DAY CHECKLIST (GIRLS)

Intermediate BALLET

- "Energetiks" Cleo Camisole Leotard (Navy)
- "Fiesta" Theatrical Pink Tights (footed OR convertible)
- Skin Tone body stocking
- Pink Ballet Shoes (*Canvas ONLY, NO Leather*)



Intermediate JAZZ (Monday 5pm class with Miss Dionne)

- "Energetiks" Cleo Camisole Leotard (Navy)
- "Fiesta" Skin-Tone / Tan Tights
- Skin-tone body stocking
- Tan Jazz Shoes Slip On (*NO shoelaces*)



Intermediate JAZZ (Saturday 9:15am class with Miss Angelica)

- "Energetiks" Cleo Camisole Leotard (Navy)
- "Fiesta" Skin-Tone / Tan Tights
- Skin tone seamless underwear
- Skin tone bra/crop (clear straps)
- Tan Jazz Shoes Slip On (*NO shoelaces*)



Intermediate CONTEMPORARY

- Official MAPA Studio T-Shirt
- Black dance shorts
- Skin Tone body stocking



Intermediate TAP

- Official MAPA Studio T-Shirt
- Black dance shorts
- Skin Tone body stocking
- "Fiesta" Skin-Tone / Tan Tights
- Tan Tap Shoes



Intermediate Hip Hop

- Official MAPA Studio T-Shirt
- Black MAPA Basketball Shorts
- Skin tone seamless underwear
- Skin tone bra/crop (clear straps)
- White Socks
- Clean White High Top Sneakers
Available @ Kmart \$25



INTER PHOTO DAY CHECKLIST

HAIR KIT ITEMS

MAPA Bun Kits are available at Reception for \$16. Packs of Hair ties, pins and bun nets are also available for \$3 each. Choose from *Blonde, Brown or Black*.

Includes 3 hair ties + 10 bobby pins + 10 U-Pins + 2 Bun Nets inside a pink MAPA Embossed Tin.

- Hairspray and/or Hair Gel
- Hairbrush
- Hair Ties (*to match hair colour*)
- 10 or more Bobby Pins
- 10 or more U-Pins (*BALLET & CONTEMPORARY*)
- 2 x Bun Nets (*BALLET & CONTEMPORARY*)



MAKE-UP KIT ITEMS

RECOMMENDED BRAND/ITEMS:

We recommend "Eco Minerals" or "Inika" brand of make-up. They are cruelty free, vegan, 100% pure, safe & natural cosmetics. Mums, you will love this makeup also! Lipsticks are available at MAPA Reception.

- Mineral Foundation or Translucent Powder
- Blush (pink or peach)
- Eye Shadows (White & Medium Brown)
- Eyebrow pencil or powder
- Black Mascara
- Eyeliner (optional)
- Lipstick 'Crimson' by Hemp Organics
- Baby wipes



MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

- Dressing Gown/Robe (can be worn over costumes to keep warm)
- Water Bottle (water only)
- Dry Snacks (nothing that may stain costumes)

