



ISTAGE DANCE THEATRE

Program and Audition Information

Incoming ensemble: Fall 2022

Grades 7-12

Thank you for your interest in the IStage Dance Theatre program at Imagination Stage! This training and performance ensemble is recommended for students with a strong foundation in dance. Dancers build upon technique in contemporary ballet and modern dance, which are then applied to composition and choreography work, while also exploring various dance styles to expand their experience of dance. This program is a two-semester commitment. The Spring semester culminates in an evening performance at Imagination Stage in the Reeve Theatre, which is primarily choreographed by the students alongside a professional choreographer. Acceptance to the class is by audition/approval from Ashlee McKinnon, Senior Faculty of Dance. Dancers with intermediate and advanced level technique are encouraged to audition.

COMMITMENT: Due to the intensive and ensemble nature of the program, dancers must have consistent and dependable attendance and participate with focus and dedication

AUDITION PROCESS:

IStage Dance Theatre students are accepted by audition and/or approval from Ashlee. There is no need to prepare anything ahead of time for your audition. Your audition will be conducted in a group setting consisting of warm up, technique work (barre, foot, center work, etc) followed by a short combination. We will be looking for:

- Flexibility, Endurance, Rhythm, Coordination and Balance
- Understanding of dance terminology and choreography terms
- Learning and retaining choreography accurately

Dancers should:

- Wear proper dance attire for a modern/ballet class
- Have socks, ballet, or soft jazz shoes (no sneakers please)
- Be able to commit to two semesters of training upon acceptance

Audition Dates: Summer 2022 (Only Attend One)

- Wednesday, August 18th (5:00-6:30pm) at Imagination Stage
- Thursday, August 19th (5:00-6:30pm) at Imagination Stage

UPON ACCEPTANCE: Class Days/Times: Thursdays, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Fall Semester: September 15 - December 8 (12 weeks) - Tuition \$525

Please email or call Ashlee McKinnon amckinnon@imaginationstage.org /301-280-1643) to ask any questions and to schedule an audition.