

UAC Studio and Training Program Contract

Underground Arts Connection is a private dance and performing arts studio, committed to achieving a high level of learning and development through professional-level training. In order to uphold our standards to provide a comprehensive, results-oriented learning environment, students are required to accept and commit to minimum standards in classroom practicum.

Program commitment and attendance

UAC is an annual one-year program, with registration and Fall Session courses commencing in late August (generally in line with local school districts). Admission and tuition is based on an annual commitment, and students are expected to maintain an acceptable level of attendance and reliability throughout the year. Make-ups are allowed within the appropriate class level during regular sessions; however, missed classes from regular sessions cannot be made up in workshops or summer programs. Tuition will not be prorated for personal absences, including vacation. UAC will select students for performances based on achievement and UAC's expected level of technique. Any student who violates or vacates UAC policy will be liable and held responsible for full payment of the annual contract.

Skill level and dress code

All students are required to audition for program and training level placement. Ballet and modern dance are mandatory for all levels. Training requirements are as follows:

General training program

- Level 1: 5 hours per week of classroom training
- Levels 2 and 3: 7 hours per week of classroom training

Pre-professional training program

- Level 1: 7+ hours per week of classroom training
- Levels 2 and 3: 10+ hours per week of classroom training

Students are expected to comply with the following dress code policy for every class:

- Pre-Ballet: White, camisole-style leotard, pink tights, pink slippers
- Ballet (Levels 1-3): Black, camisole-style leotard, pink tights, pink slippers
- Boys: Black tights, black t-shirt, black slippers
- Jazz and Modern/Contemporary: Black jazz shorts or pants (with leotard), or black unitard, pink or black tights

Hair must be worn in a bun for all dance classes. **The following items are prohibited during class:** jewelry, street or "work out" clothes, shorts or pants with writing on the back, shirts that do not cover the stomach, and any other clothes that do not comply with the dress code. Any students not in full compliance of the dress code policy will not be allowed to participate in class.

Scholarships and external programs

Underground Arts Connection is a private facility; any student participation in external programs will be at their own discretion. UAC will only provide recommendations to external programs (including scholarships, productions, clinics, audition tapes, and training opportunities) based on student achievement and UAC discretion.

Guest teachers and workshops

UAC offers guest teachers and supplemental workshops throughout the year. Attendance at workshops is optional, and participation fees are separate from annual tuition. Exception: All students are required to participate in the Summer Intensive Workshop.

Tuition payment agreement

UAC is an annual program; registered students agree to commit to the full year of sessions: Fall sessions I/II, Winter sessions I/II, Spring session, and Summer session, and the Summer Intensive Workshop. If a student chooses to leave the program prior to the end of the contract, he/she is liable for the remainder of the contract.

I hereby acknowledge that I have read and agree with the terms of UAC's Studio and Training Program Contract as detailed for the UAC 2009-10 program.

Student Name: _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian Date

Signature of UAC Artistic Director Date