

# Video Auditions for 2022

## **Frequently Asked Questions**

# I am hoping to join Queensland Ballet Academy in 2022; by what date does my video audition need to be submitted?

Video auditions for Academy Program and Pre-Professional Program must be submitted by **13<sup>th</sup> September 2021.** 

### I have missed the closing date, am I still able to apply?

Late audition applications will be considered; however, priority will be given to applications received within the timeline advised above.

# If I have more than one child auditioning, can I submit their video auditions all within the one file?

No, we require one application per applicant. Each individual application must include:

- registration form
- headshot photograph
- full body photograph
- video audition link (YouTube or Vimeo)
- Physiotherapy screening form
- audition fee

# What should my child wear while completing their video audition? Male

- Full-length tights, fitted t-shirt, socks and ballet shoes.
- Hair should be neat and off the face.

### Female

- Leotard, ballet tights and ballet shoes\*.
- No skirts or outerwear.
- Hair should be neat and off the face, in a classical ballet style such as a low bun.

\*Pointe shoes are also required for applicants applying for the Pre-Professional Program and Academy Program Levels 3-1 (academic years 10-12) only.

Dance attire should be of a single and contrasting colour to the background/floor.

# My child does not have access to a studio or ballet barre. Is it compulsory for the digital audition to be filmed in a dance studio?

In order to meet safety and practical requirements, filming of the audition video needs to take place in a safe and suitable venue.

## Does my audition video need to be filmed professionally?

It is completely acceptable to film your audition on a phone or tablet. We have listed some tips below on how you can maximise filming quality:

- Use a tripod or stand to ensure a clear, stable image.
- Film in well-lit space however avoid a bright background behind the dancer.
- Film from a 45° angle.
- Ensure the dancer's full length is always visible (camera focused at waist height).
- Prior to submission, check the file is accessible and has good audio/visual quality.

### How do I create an unlisted video on YouTube?

Create a free YouTube account or login to your existing one, then follow the instructions to upload your video. Instructions can be found by <u>clicking here.</u> Choose 'Unlisted' when selecting the 'visibility' of your video. Copy and paste the URL/link into your application form.

### How do I create a private video on Vimeo?

Create a free Vimeo account or login to your existing one, then follow the instructions to upload your video. Instructions can be found by <u>clicking here.</u> When choosing a setting, select the 'Only people with a password' option. Copy and paste the URL/link, and the password, into your application form.

### What photos are required for the application?

x recent headshot of the applicant (neat ballet hairstyles and minimal/no make-up).
x recent full body shot wearing ballet attire, in a classical ballet position

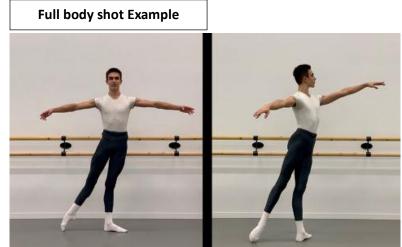
Examples of preferred full body photograph positions are listed below:

- Academy Program Levels 6-4 (academic years 7-9)- tendu a la seconde with arms in second position, plie in first position or first position facing the barre.
- Academy Program Levels 3-1 (academic years 10-12) and Pre-Professional Program - tendu a la seconde with arms in second position, plie in first position, first position facing the barre, arabesque or a la seconde (on pointe for the ladies)

Please note that photos do not need to be professional quality.



Headshot Example



#### What happens if the applicant is successful?

Successful applicant's will be notified of their result via email, by Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> September 2021.

#### What happens if the applicant is unsuccessful?

Unsuccessful applicant's will be notified of their result via email, by Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> September 2021. No feedback regarding the result of their audition will be given to applicants.

Submissions/appeals may be submitted on the grounds of procedural fairness only. Parents/carers may make a written submission to the Academy Director, within seven days of receiving their audition result letter.

#### How many applicants are accepted each year?

The Academy accepts students based on their skill level and suitability for our training programs. As we do not aim to meet a quota, the number of successful applicant's varies each year.

#### How do I know if it is worth auditioning again in the future?

Unsuccessful applicants are welcome to re-submit their footage, or submit new footage, should a second round of auditions become available.

#### Can I submit a video audition if I am not an Australian citizen or resident?

International applications are welcomed for the Academy Program. Please make sure to include your country of citizenship in the application form.

Unfortunately, due to Australian Federal Government Visa guidelines, international dancers are unable to enrol in our Pre-Professional Program for more than three months.