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Tap Dance Audition!

Company: The American Tap Dance Foundation
Location: New York, NY

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Are you passionate about tap dance?

Consider auditioning for the Tap City Youth Ensemble!

learn choreography & technique from leading tap artists in the field today
explore tap history and learn classic dances from the masters
develop improvisation skills & a deeper understanding of music
dance & perform with live music
perform in NYC venues, Tri-State area venues, and beyond

We are taking video audition submissions now for the 2015-16 seasons.

Dancers need to be available on Sundays (specific schedule TBA) from mid-September 2015 through mid-June 2016.

Read below for specific information on how to prepare your video audition, and for more information about Tap City Youth Ensemble.

How to Audition

Participants must audition for this program. To audition, you must submit video with specific examples of your technical skills and your performance ability, and some basic information about yourself. Here is what to do:

Step 1: prepare your video, which should include the following:

time-steps
paddle and roll combinations
performance of a 2-3 minute tap choreography piece/excerpt to music demonstrating your ability to keep time while expressing your personal style
statement of why you are interested in TCYE

Step 2: submit your video & basic info to Susan Hebach, Director of TCYE, at shebach@atdf.org

You may submit video either by posting it to YouTube and emailing the link, or sending a DVD
include the following basic info in your email that contains your video link:

Student name
Date of birth and current age
Parent/guardian names
Parent email address
Parent phone contact #
Student email (optional)
Mailing address
Home dance studio & current tap instructor
Place where you attend school (academic)
Are you a member of any other performing arts groups or organizations

Step 3: Schedule an assessment date

Dancers who pass the video audition will be invited to attend a technique class with TCYE on a selected date that works for you.

Step 4: dancers who pass final audition will be formally invited to join us for the 2015-16 season

Questions? Call Susan Hebach @ 646.230.9564, or email shebach@atdf.org For more information on the Tap City Youth Ensemble visit: TCYE Info

Other info about TCYE:

The Tap City Youth Ensemble features the best and brightest young tappers from the New York City area. The ensemble was founded in 2006 by the American Tap Dance Foundation to give young tap dancers from the ages of 13 – 19 an opportunity to work with professional choreographers. The ensemble preserves the rich heritage of tap dance through learning classic/historical tap repertory and new contemporary works. The Tap City Youth Ensemble performs in a range of New York area venues including formal concerts, school shows, hospital shows, and free public events.

The Ensemble is directed by Susan Hebach with mentorship by Brenda Bufalino, Margaret Morrison and Tony Waag. TCYE meets weekly in rehearsal with Ms. Hebach to prepare for performances in New York City. TCYE II and III also work with Assistant Rehearsal Directors Claudia Rahardjanoto and Tamii Sakura.

Guest teachers and choreographers have including Brenda Bufalino, Barbara Duffy, Ayodele Casel, Harold Cromer, Michelle Dorrance, Derick K. Grant, Jared Grimes, Molutsi Mogami, Tony Waag and Margaret Morrison. They have learned new contemporary works as well as classic tap repertory by Bill "Bojangles" Robinson, James "Buster" Brown, Eddie Brown, Charles "Honi" Coles and the Copasetics. The Ensemble has been featured in articles in Dance Teacher Magazine, Dance Spirit Magazine and Time Out New York Kids and appeared on television on NY 1. and Nickelodeon's METV.

Performance Highlights of the TCYE 2006-2014 Seasons:

NBC - The 84th Annual Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade

Duke Ellington's Annual Birthday Celebration

Tap City – The annual NYC Tap Festival at the Duke on 42nd Street Theater, The Joyce Theater and the Peter Jay Sharp Theater/ Symphony Space

The Vancouver International Tap Festival

The Annual River to River Festival

The Apollo Theater

The Howl Festival

The Hong Kong Dragon Boat Festival

ATDF's Annual Rhythm in Motion Concert Series at the 14th Street Y

Lenox Hill Neighborhood House

Manhattan Children's Museum

Queens Tap Extravaganza

Career Transitions for Dancers Gala at NYC's City Center

Long Island Children's Museum

National Dance Week, NYC

Dancewave's "Kid's Café" Festival

Manhattan Restoration Project

Macy's Charity Day

School and Hospital Shows in NYC & NJ

Jamming it up at Capezio

Danskin Street Fair

From 5-Points to Harlem in Foley Square, Manhattan

Nickelodeon's METV

Beat Street

& More!

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