**Portland Youth Dance Sponsorship and**

**Casco Bay Movers Dance Class Scholarship**

**Description:** As part of our mission,Portland Youth Dance is dedicated to providing financial assistance to young dancers interested in developing their dance and performance skills. **A limited number of awards may be granted based on a student’s interest in and dedication to dance, accomplishments, aptitude, as well as financial need.** The following financial award is available to apply for:

* **Dance Class Scholarship** - *For dancers ages 6-18 years that are interested in regular, weekly dance classes and performance opportunities.* The full or partial amount granted based on financial need for one year of tuition fees for a dance class at Casco Bay Movers Dance Studio throughout the 2022/2023 season, September to June. Scholarships will also include a costume and performance ticket.

*Application deadline:* **August 1, 2022.**

* **Portland Youth Dance Company Sponsorship** - *For dancers that are interested in auditioning for and participating in any of PYD’s youth dance companies.* The full or partial amount granted based on financial need for one year of tuition fees for Portland Youth Dance Company or Crew throughout the 2022/2023 season. Please note the required classes are an additional cost. Applicants must be accepted into PYD Company or Crew.

*Application deadline:* **June 15, 2022.**

**Eligibility Criteria** - To qualify, an applicant must be between the ages of 8 and 18 years, meet financial eligibility criteria as outlined below, be accepted into Portland Youth Dance Company or Crew, be able to comply with PYD guidelines, and submit a completed application before the designated deadline of **June 15, 2022.**

**Financial Eligibility -** Applicants must meet financial eligibility requirements. To determine eligibility **proof of total household income must be provided and includes:**

* Wages for all adult wage earners in the home(s): Last year’s tax return, W2’s, OR 2 current pay stubs
* SSI or other benefits
* Child support payments (even if a parent does not choose to collect this support) or divorced/separated parent’s income (in lieu of child support documents).
* Trust funds
* All other sources of income

All applicants that meet the income guidelines as defined below by Portland Youth Dance will be eligible for consideration for Scholarship. It is PYD’s policy that all information will be used solely for the purpose of determining eligibility, will be held strictly confidential, and will not be shared with any outside parties.

**Annual Income Eligibility Chart**

Check your family’s eligibility below. PYD may offer partial assistance based on the level of need.

**Persons in Family Yearly Income Limit**

1 $ 27,444.00

2 $ 37,116.00

3 $ 46,776.00

4 $ 56,448.00

5 $ 66,120.00

6 $ 75,792.00

**Full vs. Partial Awards -** If the applicant meets the requirement for 100% fee assistance and is selected a full scholarship will be awarded. If the applicant is not within income guidelines for 100% fee assistance but can prove a financial need as defined above, partial financial assistance may be provided as indicated on the chart above. In this case, a board member will meet with the Parent/Guardian to review this option.

**Application Process -** Application for assistance must be completed in its entirety and meet the application deadline. **Incomplete or late applications will not be considered.**

**Decision Process** - Completed applications will be reviewed by the Portland Youth Dance Board of Directors for approval/denial. Applicants will be notified by the Board of Directors once a decision has been made.

**Completed applications must contain:**

* **PYD Dancer Application Form**
* **Parent Application Form**
* **A written letter of recommendation from a teacher, dance instructor, or another adult non-family member**
* **Proof of household(s) income (Last year’s tax return or 3 current pay stubs)**

\*\*Incomplete or late applications will not be eligible for consideration\*\*

**How to submit your application:**

**Mail or drop off your completed application:**

Portland Youth Dance/Casco Bay Movers

517 Forest Avenue, Suite 6, Portland, ME 04101

* or -

**Email your application to info@portlandyouthdance.com**

**Please note:** Awards are granted without regard to race, color, creed, religion, age, sex, disability, national origin, sexual orientation, veteran status, or any other characteristic protected under state, federal, or local law.

**DANCER APPLICATION**

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Telephone\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Email address\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Birthday \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Age\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Grade in School \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Names of parent/legal guardian(s) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

What styles of dance do you enjoy?\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Why do you like to dance? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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What do you hope to learn in class and/or participation in PYD?\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Please describe your dance or other related experience. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Anything else you would like us to know about you? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**PARENT APPLICATION**

**Child’s Name** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_DOB\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**Parent/Guardian #1:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Notes/Comments: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian #2:**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Please let us know if there are other barriers to access classes for your student (for example, transportation):\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Thanks for your interest in Portland Youth Dance!**