



## CLARION CREATIONS

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Dear prospective Highland dance families,

Welcome to the 2017-18 Highland dance registration season! We are starting classes in the second week of September this year.

This year all classes will be on **Mondays** in North Vancouver. Beginner dance lessons will be at **4:00-5:00**. Continuing dancers will dance at 5:00-6:00.

Enclosed find the following information:

- Registration and waiver form
- Studio policies/Materials for Class
- Tentative schedule of events for the year

The following is due by **September 11<sup>th</sup>**

- Registration form/signed waiver
- Registration fee of \$50 (one fee per family), plus September 2017 and May 2018 (first and last month) dance fees. Cheque dated Sept. 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Post-dated cheques for classes dated for the first of the month October 2017-April 2018
- Uniform fee of \$60 dated **October 1<sup>st</sup>**. Note: This must be a separate cheque as the money goes into the sword fund. This uniform fee is a one-time fee for a dance uniform including a t shirt, shorts, and a dance bag.

*Please note: Classes run from September through June. It is very important that dancers **attend all classes through to the spring concert** in order for us to prepare students properly for the concert. Please plan other activities, especially during the spring, accordingly with consideration to Highland dance classes.*

If you have any questions about our policies, dates, or fees, please contact Geneveive.



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## Highland Dancing Registration Form 2017 NEW STUDENTS

Personal Information:

Name of Student:	Phone:
Address:	Postal code:
Email address:	
Parents' Names:	Phone: Cell phone:
Emergency Contact	Phone:
Age of Student	Birth date: / /
Name of School:	( Y / M / D)
Grade:	
Does the student have any medical problems we should know about?	
Where did you find out about the studio?	
Did anyone refer you to the studio? (name) _____	

Parent information: We need all parents to help out with the studio! We know that some people like to help in alternate ways. Please circle an area you could help with, or fill in another area of expertise if you prefer.

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|---------------|----------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Sewing        | Food prep at social events | Coordinating/hosting social events |
| Marketing     | Clean up of social events  | Fundraising                        |
| Trip planning | Wreath Fundraiser          | Parade coordination                |
| Other _____   |                            |                                    |

Students are welcome to participate in any of the community concerts during the year. Those in continuing classes will be asked to do concert outside of North Vancouver. The spring concert will be in May; and all students are requested to dance in the studio concert.

- Future Highland Dance competitions
- Medal testing (Dance exams)
- Studio social events (outside of the Monday dance time)
- Studio Dance performances  
(Please read and sign waiver on the reverse of this page.)



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### ***Student Waiver and Studio Policies***

All dance students must sign the following statement before commencing lessons with Clarion Creations.

All lessons and performances at Brooksbank Elementary in North Vancouver or any other venues are taken at the student's own risk. Clarion Creations is not responsible for any injury or damaged property in the event of an accident.

*IMPORTANT: By signing this waiver you understand that classes run from September to May, and there no refunds for discontinuation of dance. Students are expected to continue dancing for the entire season of dance.*

I \_\_\_\_\_ have read this waiver and **understand the policies** set out by Clarion Creations. (See studio policies for details).

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of student, or of parent or  
Guardian if student is under 18 years of age

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

- I agree to allow photos of my child/children be used in local newspapers, television broadcasts, and the Clarion Creations website for the use of community announcements and studio updates.***
- I agree to allow photos of my child/children be posted without tags on our Clarion Creations Facebook page.***



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### Creations Studio Policies

1. Please show up **on time** for all lessons.
2. Students must wear Highland dance uniform provided, or acceptable clothing from the following list: Shorts, skirt, skort or kilt, knee-socks or ankle socks and a t-shirt/leotard. Please see dress policies for more information.
3. Please bring appropriate materials such as dance shoes, binder and a water bottle to each class. \*Please see Required Materials section of the handbook for details on materials needed for all dancers.
4. Parents are asked to leave at the beginning of class with the exception of the tartan tots class. **Parents may come and watch for 5 minutes at the end of class, but NO talking is permitted.**
5. Dancers entering during lessons: please wait quietly on the side for your class to start.
6. Missed Lessons: Missed lessons cannot be made up, except by speaking to Genevieve. If you have a scheduling conflict, please contact Gen ASAP.
7. **Please contact Genevieve via phone, email or TEXT if you are going to miss a lesson. 778.688.5767**
8. Fees are due at the beginning of the year in post-dated cheques.
9. There will be no refunds for dance lessons after the second class unless there is a medical reason that is accompanied by a doctor's note. Doctor's notes **must specify** that the student cannot continue Highland dancing with the medical problem.
10. There is no eating during dance classes except between longer classes. Students are requested to bring **only water** to drink.
11. Please check your schedule for the whole year. Dance is NOT a seasonal activity. **Classes will run from September to June.** Please do not schedule other activities during your regular dance class as it disrupts the class and you will miss valuable information and dancing and make it challenging to choreograph dances.
12. Students withdrawing from the studio for **medical reasons**, must give **30 days notice**. Cheques after the 30-day notice will be returned or shredded.



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### Materials for Class:

The following materials are required at all dance classes:

- Dance shoes\*
- Water bottle
- 1" 3-ring binder – **This is required for ALL dancers – even beginners.** Students will be giving a lesson sheet each week with steps and activities. These sheets contain valuable information and a reference for practice at home.
- White petticoat or **an old apron** for practicing national dances. BEGINNER DANCERS DON'T NEED THIS UNTIL JANUARY
- Students must wear shorts or a skort, knee socks and a t-shirt for dancing. All dancers will have a uniform and may wear dance uniform to classes. Dancers do not have to wear the dance shirt and socks, and might wish to save them for parades and other events.
- Students may wear long pants/shirt for the warm up only.
- Jig shoes – INTERMEDIATE, PREMIER AND PERFORMANCE CHOREOGRAPHY CLASS DANCERS ONLY

\*First year students may wear nylon shoes, or ballet shoes. Second year and above need proper Highland dance ghillies. Speak to Genevieve if you have questions about appropriate footwear. Our studio has some shoes for lending, and select sizes for purchasing.

### Costumes for Concerts:

Students performing in dance concerts do not have to wear the full Highland costume. Beginner dancers are asked to wear a tartan skirt, white blouse or shirt and white knee socks for all concerts. **Dancers in third year and above should have full Highland costume.** Genevieve has a lending library of dance skirts and kilts available on request.



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Dates for the year: Please mark these on your calendar so you don't miss all the fun!

September 11: Studio Open House and first lesson (general lesson at 5:00 for all dancers)

September 18: Regular classes start for the year

October 9: Thanksgiving, no dance classes

October 30: Halloween costume class - wear your costume to class this day, if you want! We will take pictures and have some fun and treats during class.

November 4 & 5: Duncan Competition - trip away to Vancouver Island for those interested.

November 18: Fraser Valley Highland Dance Competition, Fort Langley

December 2: Santa's Fling Competition, Surrey

December 18: Last class of 2016 and we will have a small party during class!

January 8: Dance classes start again

January 25: Happy Robbie Burns Day!

February 12: Family Day - no dance classes

March 19 & 26: Studio closed for spring break. Possible spring dance camp

April 2: Easter Monday, no dance classes

May 22: Victoria Day, no classes

June 25: Last dance class

Other events to be entered:

Scrapbooking event

Wreath fundraising events

Social events

2018 Competitions

Year End concert

Lynn Valley Days Parade

Robbie Burns Day concerts

Robbie Burns Party