

ENGLISH YOUTH BALLET

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**WESTON- SUPER- MARE AUDITION FOR COPPELIA 22nd MAY 2025
AT FOR PERFORMANCES 15th 16th AUGUST 2025 AT THE PLAYHOUSE**

Dear Parents, Students,

20/11/2024

Dancing in an EYB production is a unique experience and so much gained from being part of a professional production and seeing at close quarters how our professional dancers who front our productions prepare for their performances. During the exciting and intense rehearsals, the young dancers experience technique classes with different teachers and learn new steps and choreography. As well as making new friends the cast get to perform to large audiences in some of the most beautiful theatres in the UK.

If you wish to audition for our Weston- Super- Mare production of Coppelia we ask you to complete and submit the Registration form with your child's contact details.

Once you have completed this and returned the online Registration form and paid the £20 audition fee by Bank Transfer (see Bank details below) we will send you a receipt letter confirming your place either at the Junior or Senior audition.

**Audition times are on May 22nd 2025 Juniors 5.45- 7.15pm Seniors 7.45– 9.15pm
Juniors ages 8-11yrs and Minimum Grade 1 (If your child is 12 and Grade 4 or under they may attend the Junior audition) Seniors ages 12-18years**

You will hear your result at the end of each audition. If you are not offered a place on the day, your child will be on our reserve list and after 2 weeks they may be called upon if some places are not taken up. English Youth Ballet has a successful track record of twenty-six years giving promising young dancers a performance opportunity in full length classical ballets. We look forward to coming to Weston-super-Mare.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Lewis

English Youth Ballet Payments

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COPPELIA PERFORMANCES AT THE PLAYHOUSE THEATRE WESTON-SUPER-MARE

The English Youth Ballet is now well-established for its successful productions of classical ballet in the regional theatres of the UK. EYB chooses up to 100 young dancers at the audition from within an area 80-100 mile radius of the theatre, therefore giving young ballet dancers the opportunity to experience the creative process from rehearsal to performance in our entertaining production of Coppelia for 3 performances in 2025 at the Playhouse Theatre on Fri 15th & Sat 16th August 2025.

**AUDITIONS 22/05/2025 are at THE PRIORY COMMUNITY SCHOOL
Queensway Weston-Super-Mare BS22 6BP
JUNIOR AUDITION 8-11YRS SENIOR AUDITION 12- 18YRS**

THE AUDITION EXPERIENCE AND REGISTRATION FEE

The Audition Registration fee is £20 and we will be looking for young dancers who love their dancing and who would benefit from the EYB Performance Project. We will be offering up to 80 to 100 places and we hold a reserve list in case anyone does not take up the place that is offered.

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If successful auditionees are offered a place from their audition. The fee for the Performance Course is £560 payable to English Youth Ballet in advance in 4 instalments (£140 each) prior to the first rehearsal/casting day. This fee covers the production costs of costumes, headdresses, scenery, and running costs of school rehearsals hire, all artistic, administrative and technical staff - fees, travel, hotels, publicity and marketing.

EYB has had to put up prices a little for 2025, due to ever increasing costs of rehearsal hire and general touring costs. We have had successful years in 2023/24 and we are pleased to be able to continue our valuable work for young dancers in 2025.

Three rehearsals take place simultaneously and are always preceded by a ballet technique class. There is a 10% reduction for 2nd and 3rd siblings. English Youth Ballet will award 2 Junior and 2 Senior Assisted Places giving £80 off the full fee thus reducing the fee to £480 (4 instalments of £120.00)

PROVISIONAL REHEARSAL DATES 2025 (To Be Confirmed with the school we hire)

Tues 1st or Wed 2nd July. tbc (Casting and press photos)

Wednesday 30th July-Sunday 3rd August (5 Days)

Wednesday 6th – Sunday 10th August(5 Days)

NB We are flexible with the various weekend Associate programmes.

Thursday 14th August

6.00-10pm Technical Dress rehearsal in the Playhouse Theatre

Friday 15th August

Dress Rehearsal 2.30pm Evening performance 7.30pm

Saturday 16th August

Matinee Performance 2.30pm and Evening performance 7.30pm

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