volunteer guide

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# Royal YOUth Dance Ensemble

Building Character, Confidence, Self-esteem, and Positive Self-image





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# Who is Royal YOUth Dance Ensemble?

RYDE provides a creative space for youth through dance, theater, and outreach programs.

#### our vision

Royal YOUth Dance Ensemble (RYDE) is a 501c3 nonprofit organization with a mission to provide a safe creative outlet for youth that builds character, raises self-esteem, boosts confidence, and promotes positive interaction through artistic expression.

#### our values

To inspire youth to use the arts and its disciplines to aid them through life and its experiences.



# RYDE Programs

- RYDE Dance Program
  - Weekly class sessions held at RYDE Dance Studio Aug-May
  - Winter Performance
  - Spring Recital Performance
- RYDE Reach Program
  - 8-10 weekly recreational dance classes held at local schools during after-school hours
- RYDE Mini Program
  - 8 weekly mini sessions held at RYDE Dance studio throughout the dance season
  - Summer Dance Experience
    - Themed camps, classes,
       workshops, and intensives to introduce, sharpen, and condition skills for a variety of dance styles

# Volunteer Roles

#### how to get involved

RYDE is a 501c3 non-profit organization, which means that volunteers are a critical component to RYDE's success each year.

In this volunteer guide, you will find several ways to get involved in our outreach programs, from boosting our social media appearance to hands-on support at one of our programs. If you have any questions, or suggestions, please do not hesitate to contact Royal YOUth Dance Ensemble. \*note all volunteers must be over the age of 14\*

#### Volunteer Roles

- Special Events Committee
  - Fundraising
  - Winter Performance
  - Spring Recital
  - o End-of-year Carnival
- Social Media Content Creation
- Photographer
- Class Mentor/Assistant

#### How it works

- 1 Select your role
- Email selection to royaldance129@gmail.com
- **3.** Complete a brief virtual interview
- 4 Complete background check and drug screening
- 5 Accept volunteer opportunity placement

# Special Events Committee



### Volunteer

- Plans and Coordinates
   Fundraisers
- Helps Solicit Donations and/or sponsorships
- Helps organize, and take inventory, for ballet bin
- Advocate for program and students
- Serves for during special events

#### Overview

Our Special Event Committee volunteers help organize and coordinate RYDE special events, including, but not limited to: fundraising, winter performance, spring recital, and end-of-year carnival.



## Social Media Content Volunteer



#### Overview

Social Media Content Volunteers help promote RYDE to families, and businesses, within our area to ensure the growth of our image and organization.

## Volunteer

- Advocates for RYDE and students through social media platforms
- Helps with social media announcements and newsletter content
- Helps with curation of social media image to meet RYDE's values and vision



# Photography Volunteer



### Volunteer

- Photograph special events, such as: winter performance, spring recital, and en-of-year carnival
- Be available to photograph classes and outreach programs to share in newsletters, on social media and with RYDE families

#### Overview

Photography Volunteer in an excellent volunteer opportunity for up and coming photographers looking to build their portfolio, tell a story through your work, support a worthy cause, and create content for a worthy cause.



# Class Mentor/Assistant



# Overview

One of our most important roles is that of our class mentors! This special volunteer works alongside teachers to create a safe and uplifting environment during one, or more, of our classes.

## Volunteer

- Liaison between staff and parents
- Helps/Monitors bathroom breaks
- Assists with costume selection and fitting
- Assists studio manager with tasks that they may need before, during, and/or after class, special events, performances





## Contact Us

If you, or someone you know, may be interested in any of RYDE's Volunteer Opportunities, please use one of the contacts below to get in touch with us regarding the next steps.

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