

# <u>Frequent Flyers Adult Student</u> <u>Company</u>

# What is StudCo and who is it for?

Frequent Flyers Student Company is for enthusiastic students willing to grow as aerialists, dancers, artists, performers, and team members. Students should have a strong desire to learn more about the art of aerial

dance and have the ability to be a focused, positive presence in classes and rehearsals. Frequent Flyers Student Company will present its 23rd season in fall 2021, with professional-quality performances at the Dairy Center for the Arts in Boulder.

**MISSION:** The Frequent Flyers® Student Company is a supportive community fostering creative aerial dance performance opportunities while empowering the individual to embody confidence in their artistic and technical abilities. Embedded in a safe, supportive, non-competitive environment, students can soar in their artistic expression, connecting the ground and the air.

### **Participation Requirements**

*Prerequisites:* Each company member is required to have completed two FFP aerial sessions prior to joining Student Company. Please email <a href="mailto:natalie@frequentflyers.org">natalie@frequentflyers.org</a>. if you have any questions about qualifying.

**Returning Students:** Contracts are due by Wednesday, August 11th to natalie@frequentflyers.org.

**New Students:** Applications are due by Friday, July 30th to <a href="mailto:natalie@frequentflyers.org">natalie@frequentflyers.org</a> You will be notified of your acceptance by Wednesday August 4th. If spaces are still available, we can accept late applications through August 6th. Contracts will be due to Natalie by August 11th, 2021.

#### Required Classes

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  - Student Company class Mondays 7-9pm
  - 1 aerial technique class each session (Fall 1, Fall 2 and Fall 3)
    - o The instructors can recommend an aerial technique class if you'd like some guidance. You may take different technique classes each session.

Absentee Policy

- Mandatory Theater Rehearsals include Tech/Dress/Performances at the Frequent Flyers Studio and/or at The Dairy Arts Center. If student has a conflict with a mandatory rehearsal, the student must report that conflict in their application and contract, and must email Natalie Devine (<u>natalie@frequentflyers.org</u>) by Monday, August 23rd. Excused absences will be considered under special circumstances.
- Mandatory Rehearsals include all Monday Student Company classes at Frequent Flyers. No unexcused absences are allowed. An absence is only considered excused if you have contacted the office prior to the date of the absence. If a student misses more than 2 rehearsals, it is up to the Student Company Director's discretion whether or not to exclude the student from (1) aerial work in a piece, (2) all choreography in a particular piece or (3) the entire show. This requirement exists for the student safety, as well as the safety of the students they are performing with. Students missing a mandatory rehearsal on short notice should contact the Student Company Director, Natalie Devine (Natalie@frequentflyers.org) and your student's instructors as soon as possible before the missed class.

#### Behavior

- One of the main priorities for StudCo is to create an inclusive atmosphere where
  everyone feels safe and encouraged to play and to develop their aerial technique and
  expression. Please be mindful of this goal in all of your interactions at Frequent Flyers,
  including within your StudCo classes. As StudCo members, you have the opportunity to
  be role models on this front! Help us create a positive environment.
- In addition to absences, the Student Company Director may dismiss a student at any
  time from the piece/performance/Student Company if problems with the policies stated in
  the Student Company contract or Frequent Flyers Aerial Dance Handbook persist or the
  presence of an issue is detected that is considered inappropriate for the well being of the
  Student Company.

## Performance Dates / Show week Rehearsals – all at the Dairy Arts Center

- Adult Studeo show rehearsals and the Fall show will occur December 11th
- Monday December 6th: 4:30-9pm Tech (Costumes, Hair)
- Tuesday 4:30-9pm Dress Rehearsal (Costumes, Hair, Make Up)
- Saturday, December 11th: 5 pm Call, 7pm Performance

#### **Session Dates**

- Fall Session 1: August 23rd-September 26th \*No class 9/4-9/6
- Fall Session 2: September 27th-October 31st
- Fall Session 3: November 1st-December 19th \*No classes Thanksgiving and Studco show weeks.
- Student Company Class rehearsals will be held on Monday Evenings\*

#### **Financial Commitment & Payment Options**

This year, Student Company will be tuition based per semester. Spring semester tuition cost is \$1120. This tuition includes payment for all of your required classes for both sessions, as well as your production fee. You have 2 options for payment. See below.

- 1. Make one payment at the beginning of the semester and get 5% off the total cost, bringing your total to \$1,064. This payment is due upon receipt of the contract.
- 2. My card will be charged the \$175 production fee upon receiving this contract, and \$236.25 each subsequent month of the Fall semester on the 1st of each month, with the final payment being assessed in December 2021. You must provide a credit card on your MindBody account to select this option, and the charges will be set up through auto-pay.
- 3. Work Study/Scholarship Option- As a non-profit organization, Frequent Flyers does not wish cost to be a prohibiting factor for students interested in participating in Student Company. All students may apply for scholarship funding and those who are 12-years-of-age or older may apply for Work Study. Work Study and scholarship applications may be requested from and are due to Natalie (natalie@frequentflyers.org) by August 11th, 20211.

NOTE: If you must drop out of Student Company after the start of the season on Wednesday, August 25th, the \$175 production fee is non-refundable.

\*As a Student Company member, you may purchase additional session classes at 10% off the full price.

#### Photo/Video

Professional photos and video will be taken of the show. This season the cost for both the photos and video are included in your production fee. You will receive photos and video via email as quickly as they are edited and given to us.

#### D. Communication

Your instructors, the Student Company Director, and the Education Team want you to feel comfortable voicing your joys, concerns, and confusion to us! Your instructors are available during class time to help the students sort through any choreography- and show- related issues. If you'd like to share feedback or concerns, please feel free to catch up with the teachers after class or email the Student Company Director, Natalie Devine, at <a href="Matalie@frequentflyers.org">Natalie@frequentflyers.org</a> or Nancy Smith at nes@frequentflyers.org. Natalie and Nancy will also communicate with StudCo members primarily through email to relay any important information about assignments, supplies, costumes, performance details, scheduling, etc. It is important that you check your email regularly and respond within a few days, and it is ultimately your responsibility to make sure you have received the information.

#### **E.** Contact Information

StudCo Staff

Student Company Director- Natalie Devine natalie@frequentflyers.org

# F. FAQ

# What do my fees pay for?

The Student Company fees include, but are not limited to theater rental for rehearsals and performances, professional photos and video, lighting design, music editing, teacher pay, program printing, technical production needs, marketing, rigging transportation, administration, full-cast rehearsal support, and other necessities to make the Spring Student Company show successful.

# How will I receive information about Student Company updates, costumes, things we need to bring to the theater, etc.?

You will be notified via email about student company information; it is very important that we have an updated email address for you in your file.