

# Variation Showcase

## What is Variation Showcase?

Variation Showcase is an opportunity for your dancer to prepare, outside of regular classes, a solo or ensemble piece of choreography in his/her choice of styles, and perform that piece in a theater setting for an audience and a panel of adjudicators. Feedback from the adjudicators can be used to improve future dance performances.

Variation Showcase is not a competition. Dancers will not be ranked in any way, and there are no winners or losers. Everyone will benefit from the opportunity to perform on a stage in front of an audience and receive professional feedback.

Variation Showcase 2023 will take place on **Sunday, February 18, 2024** at the Granville Arts Center in Garland, TX. A full studio run-through in costume will be held at Dallas Ballet Center on **Sunday February 11**.

### Participation Fees

\$60	one solo
\$90	two+ solos
\$40/person	duet
\$35/person	ensemble (3+ dancers)

### Maximum participation fee per dancer: \$150

*\*All fees will be billed to your DBC account prior to the event.*

**Video Fee: \$25 per family**

### Costume Rental Information

Dancers participating in Variations Showcase may choose to rent a costume from Dallas Ballet Center, but it is not required. A sign-up for choosing costumes will be sent in early January 2024.

### Costume Rental Fees

#### Category I \$35

- Simple stretch dress
- Ready-made (catalog) costume
- Simple men's costume (i.e., poet shirt + vest or cummerbund)

#### Category II \$80

- Romantic tutu
- Men's tunic
- Small "baby" tutu (for very small/young dancers)

#### Category III \$115

- Classical tutu

### Maximum rental fee per dancer: \$175

All rental costumes will be transported to and from the theater by our wardrobe team.

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## Informational Meeting for Variation Showcase 2024

Sunday, April 16, 2023

4:30PM, DBC STUDIO E OR VIA ZOOM

**WHEN:** Sunday, May 22, 2022, 7:00PM to 7:45PM

**WHERE:** DBC Studio E or via Zoom

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89111483824?pwd=ZHIEUHo2RUFmL3BEZTZjbVUvalpqUT09>

Meeting ID: 891 1148 3824

Passcode: 909841

**FOR:** any DBC student interested in learning a classical, contemporary, hip hop, tap, jazz variation/solo/duet/ensemble to perform for adjudication at DBC's Variation Showcase

**SUBJECT:** Cost of rehearsing, costumes, participation fee, rehearsal time, coaching, time involved, Q & A, etc.

**BENEFITS:** Students will perform a solo/duet variation on-stage at the Granville Arts Center. They will become more confident with their stage presence and gaining stronger technical skills with greater artistry by rehearsing the same piece. They will have more poise and understanding of ballet, tap, and/or contemporary dance styles.

**LOCATION:** Granville Arts Center in Garland, TX

**DATE:** Sunday, February 18, 2024

**FEES:** See attached document for participation & costume rental fees; these fees will be added to your DBC (Studio Director) account in February 2024

### **OTHER COSTS**

- **Rehearsal/Coaching Fee:** \$40+ per ½ hour (\$30+ to the instructor and \$10 to DBC for studio rental). Guest coaches (such as Olivier Pardon & Christina Ghiardi) will have higher rates but these are optional. Cost for 8 – 20 private or semi-private rehearsals: weekly rehearsals are encouraged and should start by August 2022. Rehearsals are generally 30 minutes per week for a solo. The variation(s) should be chosen by October 2022.
- **Choreography Fee** for contemporary, tap, hip hop, jazz which will be paid to the coach/choreographer.
- **Costumes:** Most classical ballet costumes can be rented from DBC for a nominal fee. Jazz/contemporary costumes are also available. DBC Costumer Missy Knowlton will handle costume choices and alterations; however you may provide your own costume. (A custom-made tutu costs a minimum of \$800)
- **Pointe Shoes:** \$75 to \$120+ per pair; pointe shoes may need to be replaced every two to six weeks depending on the dancer.
- **Tickets** for the performance will be available in February.
- A **Video Fee** of \$25 will be charged for each participating family.