

“Savannah Arts Academy and Garrison “ Audition process information

The below information is the opinion of the directors of Madeleine Walker Coastal Ballet Theater. Our studio is pleased to have dancers participate in the Savannah Arts Academy or the Garrison dance program if they qualify. The below suggestions may help you if you decide to take on the audition process. Academic requirements are to be discussed with the schools as well as the technical and artistic requirements for the dance program that are set by the schools and are subject to change in accordance with the school’s director’s wishes.

If dancers are interested or are considering these dance programs as part of their academic future please note the following.

* Madeleine Walker/Coastal Ballet Theater has a 98% acceptance rate for dancers auditioning for the SAA or Garrison dance programs. Each year the requirements are increased or changed and the programs become more demanding during the audition process.

* Students who audition for the dance programs should be prepared to accept a graded or scored audition process. This scoring system is subject to change and is the selected program of the school’s directors. Scores are the opinions of the teachers and dance directors employed by SAA or Garrison.

* Students in our program must prepare three years minimum, prior to the audition date with serious dance training. Full preparation should begin no later than age 10 to 11 for SAA and earlier for Garrison. Private lessons are required on a regular basis for the director to prepare any interested students and must begin 1 year minimum prior to the audition date. { Please see “Private Lesson” information }

* Choreography fees and financial requirements will be discussed on an individual basis.

* Madeleine Walker Coastal Ballet Theater curriculum is in alignment with the SAA or the Garrison dance program requirements.

* Dancers preparing to take on the audition process should be focused on ballet, jazz, and modern technique that must be executed through careful study and proper attendance of all classes at Madeleine Walker/Coastal Ballet Theater.

* The directors at SAA or Garrison will make all decisions about dancers who will be accepted into the dance program at their school.

We are pleased to assist all qualified students. Thank you.