



**THE HIGHLAND DANCE COMPANY OF NZ**  
**“HEART OF THE HIGHLANDS” SHOW**

**EXCITING PERFORMANCE OPPORTUNITY FOR TE ANAU TARTAN FESTIVAL – EASTER 2023**

A revised version of the highly successful Highland Dance Company of NZ show “Heart of the Highlands” will be staged in Te Anau in conjunction with the Te Anau Tartan Festival at Easter 2023. The production is a spectacle of Highland dance, music and song telling the story of the history of our five Highland dances.

The Highland Dance Company of New Zealand invite highland dancers interested in being a part of this production to apply to join the cast of “Heart of the Highlands”. There are limited spaces and priority will be given to dancers from the Southland district if numbers exceed the spaces available.

Dancers are required in the following categories:

**JUNIOR GROUP A**

Dancers under 8 years old. Must be proficient in Highland Fling and Irish Jig. Kilts required.

**JUNIOR GROUP B**

Dancers 8 – 10 years old. Must be proficient in Highland Fling, Irish Jig, Sword Dance and Sailors Hornpipe. Kilts required.

**INTERMEDIATE GROUP**

Dancers 10 - 14 years old. Proficient in all dances named above plus Highland Reel and Seann Triubhas. Kilts required.

**SENIOR GROUP**

Dancers 14 years and over. Proficient in all ten dances to senior level. Kilts required with long sleeved jackets.

**Performance Dates & Rehearsal Commitments**

Successful applicants will be sent the choreography for their show items via video which they will be expected to learn from the video prior to the first zoom rehearsal.

**Zoom Rehearsal 1: Sunday 19 March – times to be advised**

**Zoom Rehearsal 2: Sunday 2 April – times to be advised**

Dancers will be required for rehearsals and performances in Te Anau prior to the show as follows:

**Thursday 6 April                      Rehearsals from 4pm onwards.**

**Friday 7 April                              Rehearsal with Dance Company in morning followed by dress rehearsal in afternoon**

**EVENING PERFORMANCE**

**Saturday 8 April                         Dancers will be free during day to compete in the Te Anau Tartan Festival**  
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**PRODUCTION FEE**

Costumes will be provided for dancers for choreographed items plus all dancers will wear their kilts for one item.

There will be no charge to dancers for tuition and rehearsals associated with the show. There will, however, be a Production Fee payable to help offset costs of costuming, props, set etc.

Production Fees will be Juniors & Intermediates \$35, Seniors \$50.

Successful applicants will be invoiced by the Academy Secretary for their production fee.



**“HEART OF THE HIGHLANDS”**  
**DANCERS APPLICATION FORM**

NAME.....

AGE..... PARENTS/GUARDIANS NAME.....

POSTAL ADDRESS.....

EMAIL .....MOBILE PHONE NUMBER .....

TEACHERS NAME..... EMAIL.....

ANY MEDICAL CONDITIONS TUTORS/SUPERVISORS NEED TO BE AWARE OF

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*Please tick confirmation of the following conditions*

I am available for all rehearsal/performance times as notified

I agree to pay Production Fee as notified  
(to be paid once selection confirmed)

I consent to publication, for promotion purposes, of any photos/images taken during “Heart of the Highlands”

Please email application forms to Julie Hawke [julie\\_hawke@xtra.co.nz](mailto:julie_hawke@xtra.co.nz)

**NB : APPLICATIONS CLOSE FRIDAY 24 FEBRUARY. NO LATE APPLICATIONS WILL BE CONSIDERED**

SIGNATURE.....(to be completed by parent/guardian if under 18 years)