



VIRGINIA INTERNATIONAL TATTOO 2027
APPLICATION FORM

The Highland Dance Company of New Zealand has received an invitation for a team of 32 dancers to perform at the Virginia International Tattoo in April 2027.

Priority will be given to Dance Company members but there will be limited places available in the team for extra non-Company dancers. Applications with video audition are invited from dancers 14 years and over who have passed a minimum level of Grade 5 examination.

Proposed Draft Itinerary

Dates : 15 – 30 April 2027

Thursday 15 April

Fly Auckland – Houston – Washington DC

Friday 16 April

½ day sightseeing Washington DC then bus to Norfolk, Virginia

Saturday 17 April – Sunday 25 April

Rehearsals then performances Virginia International Tattoo

Monday 26 April

Bus transfer to Washington DC then fly Washington DC – Orlando, Florida

3 days in Orlando. Draft plans at this stage include 2 day pass to Disneyworld and trip to Kennedy Space Centre.

Thursday 29 April

Fly Orlando – Houston- Auckland

Approximate Cost \$7000

Includes :

- International flights to and from Auckland - Houston
- Internal flights from Houston - Washington DC – Orlando – Houston
- Accommodation – 1 night in Washington DC + 3 nights in Orlando
- Subsidy of Dance Company Directors' travel
- Disneyworld passes and Kennedy Space Centre tour

Does not include:

- Internal domestic travel to and from Auckland
- Travel insurance
- Meals in Washington DC and Orlando

Virginia Tattoo provide free of charge

- Bus transfers Washington DC – Norfolk – Washington DC
- Accommodation, meals and transport in Norfolk

There will be a workshop weekend in Christchurch early April which will be compulsory for Tattoo performers to attend.

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Name _____

Date of Birth _____

Name of parent/guardian if under 18 years _____

Email for correspondence regarding this trip _____

Phone number for correspondence regarding this trip _____

Teacher _____

Do you have any specific dietary requirements? If yes, please provide details

Do you have any allergies or medical conditions we need to be aware of? If yes, please provide details.

VIDEO AUDITION REQUIREMENTS

- Dancers to wear studio uniform / practice gear – tops must be fitted.
- Perform all requirements to music with camera showing full view of the dancer but as close as possible. Please film in landscape not portrait.
- Please upload your video clips to a private Youtube link and email the link and your completed application form to the Academy Secretary admin@nzahnd.org.nz no later than Friday 11 September.

REQUIREMENTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. Highland Fling – 6 step Highland Fling (steps optional)
2. Reel Time Highcutting – any type of Highcutting (music to play continuously)
16 Counts of Highcutting, facing the camera
(wait 16 counts with music continuously playing)
16 Counts of Highcutting turning in full circle
3. Progressive Cutting Step (performed in a circle clockwise, face camera for ending) 32 counts incorporating Senior ending.

4. Seann Triubhas 3 steps slow time steps of own choice

Remember you are auditioning for a performance Dance Company. Stage quality and presence is important – aim to portray this in your presentation.

Private listed Youtube link with your completed application form must be emailed to the Academy Secretary admin@nzahnd.org.nz by Friday 11 September.

Please contact the Secretary if any problems.

Dancers will be notified of the result of their application by 30 September. For successful applicants a non-refundable deposit of \$500 will be payable by 20 October with the balance due by 10 February.