



MADE 2021/2022 Season!

**“Fashion is only the attempt to realize art in living forms.”
- Sir Francis Bacon**

MADE is MCDCA's resident student dance ensemble committed to providing artistic, educational and positive dance and performance opportunities. Congratulations!

2021/2022 MADE Companies

Season Theme: Fashion Styles and Motifs

MADE “At the Hop”

Company Class

Ballet

Technique classes of selection

*3hr min per week

MADE “Art Deco”

Company Class

Ballet

Jazz/Contemporary

Technique Classes of Choice

*5.5hr min per week

MADE “Disco Fever”

Company Class

Ballet

Jazz/Contemporary

Technique Classes of Choice

*4hr min per week

MADE “Victorian”

Company Class

Ballet

Jazz/Contemporary

Technique Classes of Choice

*5.5hr min per week

Apprentices: Apprentice positions are available to any company that needs to start the full company commitment in the spring semester. Company apprentices are eligible to perform in spring company pieces (rehearsals beginning in January), be cast in student choreographed submissions, attend spring team building and company master classes. **Apprentices are required to attend technique classes in the fall semester (Ages 11 and under 2 classes, Ages 12yrs+ 3 classes)**

THE COMPANY SEASON

Each semester every MADE company member will learn, and perform in a minimum of two company dance pieces. Dancers interested in sharing their artistic voice through choreography will also be given opportunities to develop and present their own work in the MADE company showcase in March of each season.

Fall - 1 faculty/guest choreography & 1 student choreographed ensemble piece

Spring - 1 faculty/guest choreography & spring company production

NEXT STEPS:

1. Read this information thoroughly to confirm you and your parent/family can make the required commitments for MADE

2. Return a copy of the last page this document signed by dancer and parent of this packet to the office or via email by August 1st, 2021

Company Attire/Supplies:

MADE Company jackets for new members will be available to purchase for our company meeting in August. Company jackets will be worn to and from events and for outdoor performances, when appropriate.

Specific MADE dance wear

*Write your name on the inside of all your items

High quality black ankle length leggings

Black jazz shoes (no show black socks if you'd prefer to wear socks inside your shoes)

Black camisole or thin tank leotard

*Black leotard and leggings will be the required uniform for MADE rehearsal

Convertible pink tights for quick changes from ballet to MADE

Items can be purchased at Boulder Body Wear for a 15% discount when mentioning MCDA/Mountain Kids.

Performance Kit

Bobby pins and hair elastics that match hair color

Hairspray/hair gel

Makeup set (blush, lipstick, mascara and eyeshadow)

Nude undergarments

Safety pins

Notebook/journal dedicated to MADE

A bag dedicated to your dance supplies

Current Calendar of MADE Events:

REQUIRED unless specified (and plan for additions)

*July 8th-10th, 2021 10am-4pm Daily : Denver Workshop and Informal Performance
(optional, but strongly recommended)*

July 30th-31st, 2021: Optional 2 day Trip to Vail International Dance Festival. Tickets for July 30th and 31st performances can be purchased at <https://vaildance.org> (select lawn seating- adults \$27, students 12+ \$10, kids under 12 free)

August 12th, 2021 : MADE Dancer and Parent Company Meeting *held before/after your summer class

August 23rd, 2021: First day of fall classes

September, 2021 : MADE Company Photo Shoot

November, 2021 : Potential Outreach Performance Opportunity

December, 2021: Broadway Connection Lion King Master Class (optional)

December, 2021: Snowflake Soiree Winter Concert

January, 2022 : MADE Team Building Party

March 5th, 2022 : MADE Company Showcase

March/April, 2022 : Potential Outreach Performance Opportunity

May, 2022 : Spring Concerts

Special events may include additional fees, depending on the event and cost of production, entry fee, transportation, faculty staffing, etc. We will send details to you before you are charged.

We consciously try to select outside activities that are in support of local businesses and other arts organizations within our community.

*We do our VERY best to plan events and commitments in advance. Occasionally we have to make changes to classes or events. We appreciate your understanding and flexibility when these circumstances occur.

As a MADE Company Member you are agreeing to:

1. Attend and participate in ALL 2021/2022 performances and required events. MADE is a year long commitment.

2. Attend all required classes and rehearsals for participation in MADE.

We encourage you to sign up for additional classes (including the same style in multiple levels) if you'd like to accelerate and broaden your technique. Specific program and level recommendations will be available at the front desk by July for fall registration.

**Please note that a few extra rehearsals (typically 1-3 per year) may be scheduled in preparation for a performance. Families/dancers would be notified in advance and would most likely be scheduled for a Friday or Saturday afternoon.*

3. Attend all required summer company classes:

These include the summer intensive, weekly technique class(es), and weekly Company class.

Absences and Tardiness Policy

Contagious illness and required school activities ARE excused absences for rehearsals and class. With new on-demand content dancers will be able to watch and makeup rehearsals and classes through our virtual platforms. Please be VERY thoughtful and considerate when signing up for extra school activities such as talent shows, school plays, sports, etc. Those activities will NOT be considered excused absences and frequent absences and tardiness have a negative effect on the company's ability to perform and rehearse at their best. We love our students to have a broad range of life experiences, and ask that their fulfillment to the company is honored when considering the addition of activities. **DANCERS that miss multiple classes and rehearsals will lose the opportunity to perform in the section of the dance, entire dances, or ultimately the company, if their continued absences or tardiness is negatively affecting the company.**

Class and rehearsal observation is required for company dancers resting an injury.

Please inform Kaitlyn and Mimi via email as early as possible if absences are known in advance and contact the office if your dancer will be absent within 24 hours due to illness (that evening, the next day, etc).

PERFORMANCES AND COMPANY EVENTS ARE REQUIRED!

How our fabulous MADE parents can help!

1. **Stay informed and encourage autonomy!** We believe that company is a valuable opportunity for your dancer to work on their skills in responsibility. Dancers will be responsible for their rehearsals, class attendance, costumes/supplies, calendar and communicating absences or pertinent information with us. If your

dancer has a question we recommend you give them agency, and encourage them to email Mimi or call the office. All company information will be sent to parents as well so check your email for MADE and MCDA information.

2. Connect with us online!

Padlet: Our MADE specific website for announcements and information!

Facebook page: "Mountain Contemporary Dance Arts"

Vimeo page: vimeo.com/mcdadance & vimeo.com/mountaintokidslouisville

Instagram: @mcdadance

3. Share ideas with us about future events, field trips, offerings you'd like to see for your dancers.

4. Support and expose your dancer to professional dance performances in our community.

Here are a few organizations and performances we'd recommend

- * CU Presents at Macky Auditorium
- * DCPA Broadway Touring Series
- * Local organization performances can also be found through Presenting Denver
- * Our faculty will post and share their professional performances on our community board as well.

5. Chat with us. We love getting to know you as well as your dancers!

Thank you! We look forward to a season full of joy, growth and dance!

Kaitlyn Lawrence, MADE Administrative Director and MADE Instructor

Mimi Ferrie, MCDA Director and MADE Instructor

Alison Fletcher, MADE Instructor

Sami Scovel, MADE Instructor

Questions? Leave a message with the office staff (303) 665-8287 and Kaitlyn will get back in touch with you OR email mimi@mountaincontemporarydance.com

I have read and understand the MADE 2021/2022 company information provided

Dancer Printed Name

Signature

Date

Parent Printed Name

Signature

Date