

# THEATRE UNDER THE STARS

## Pre-Professional Company 2024-25 MEMBERSHIP AGREEMENT

*Please read each section in its entirety and initial to acknowledge.  
Upon completion, please print your name, sign, and date this agreement.*

### 1. Company Expectations

As the highest level pre-professional training and performance group at TUTS, Pre-Professional Company (Pre-Pro Co./PPC) is held to a high standard of expectations. This includes, but is not limited to high-level performances, preparedness, respect, professionalism, timeliness, superb artistry, planning, communication, kindness, and overall responsibility. These are non-negotiable principles for which each member is accountable. Failure to meet these expectations will result in a conversation with the Artistic Director and TUTS Education Director.

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### 2. Performances

Pre-Pro Co. has (3) mandatory performances in the 2024-25 season: TUTS Gala, Tommy Tune Awards, and Spring Showcase. It is understood and agreed that all PPC members must commit to rehearsing and performing in the three major events. However, other opportunities for PPC to perform throughout the year will arise and those company members asked/choose to participate in them must follow-through after committing to these additional performances.

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### 3. Conflicts/Attendance

Each Pre-Pro Co./PPC, member will be allotted 7 approved conflicts for the entire 2024/2025 season (August 2024 – May 2025). An approved conflict is defined as a conflict that is communicated to and approved by the Company Manager/Administrator no less than 48 hours prior. Conflicts that do not meet these standards will be classified as an unapproved conflict. Unapproved conflicts, exceeding the number of allotted approved conflicts, or repeated tardiness will result in a conversation with the company Artistic Director. By signing this agreement, you acknowledge this policy, and agree to mandatory rehearsal and performance dates for the 2024/2025 season and agree to abide by the stated conflict policy. Inability to attend any added rehearsals/dates will not count against your allotted conflicts. However, if you agree to attend an added date and later rescind your acceptance of that date, it will be counted towards your allotted conflicts.

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#### 4. Professionalism

As Company membership in TUTS Pre-Pro Co. is a privilege and honor, its members must behave as such at all times during rehearsals, workshops, in performances, or at venues. Not only do PPC members represent themselves but represent TUTS. PPC members shall be mindful to treat all TUTS and performance venue staff with the utmost respect. Members are to carry themselves with the high professionalism at all times. Moreover, members must treat each other with respect and human courtesy. Any such behavior is not tolerated in TUTS Pre-Professional Company.

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#### 5. Preparedness

Members are required to be prepared for all workshops and performances. This includes, but is not limited to, arriving on time for workshops/masterclasses with prepared assigned material; being show ready show-ready and prompt for performances wardrobe/makeup as directed; and be warmed up and prepared to rehearse/perform. In rehearsals, attire will be communicated ahead of time. Always be ready with comfortable clothing for dance/movement (i.e., sneakers/dance shoes, non-restrictive clothing, etc.) While comfortable clothing and athleisure is acceptable, clothing must cover chest to mid-thigh as often digital and promotional media capturing will be involved. You are ALWAYS expected to dress accordingly for all rehearsals, performances, and masterclasses.

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#### 6. Communication

In addition to performance related training, a large component of this program is to provide students with the tools they will need to successfully navigate the professional world. Therefore, we expect company members to take primary responsibility for communicating with Company Management/Administrator. We encourage parents/guardians to stay informed and included, and we will gladly include their email addresses in our contact list. However, company members should be the primary source of communication throughout the year.

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#### 7. COVID Policies

TUTS does not currently require students to be vaccinated or masked. Yet, COVID cases are recently on the rise again. If the Company is invited to perform in another space, we will abide by their health & safety policies. If you are unvaccinated and an engagement requires COVID vaccination, you will not be able to participate on/backstage. If an engagement requires performers to be masked, we will abide by the requested protocols. However, vaccination status will not affect anyone's acceptance to/consideration for the Pre-Professional Company.

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### 8. Confidentiality

As PPC is a unit of TUTS Education and Theatre Under The Stars, company members agree to not share or divulge information, performance content, or materials with other performing entities or like organizations for which members may be affiliated. Artistic and performer confidentiality is the responsibility of all PPC members.

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*Print Name - PPC Member*

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*Signature*

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*Date*

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*Print Name - Parent/Guardian (If Under 18)*

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*Signature*

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*Date*