

Iowa Youth Ballet

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Iowa Youth Ballet Questions and Answers

(1) What is IYB?

Iowa Youth Ballet is a nonprofit 501C3 corporation. IYB was established August 12, 2002 by Robert and Miyoko Thomas to provide more dance opportunities for young dancers.

(2) You have received an invitation to join IYB. What does that mean?

- a) You are asked to (along with your parents) sign and return an IYB agreement.
- b) You are invited to enroll in an IYB Company classes. You must be enrolled in an IYB Company classes to be considered an IYB Company Member/IYB Dancer. There are requirements. Please see your agreement.
- c) IYB Dancers are eligible to audition for special IYB dance pieces not available as open auditions.
- d) IYB Dancers receive IYB discounts on dance supplies.
- e) IYB Dancers receive preferential placement in the annual Chicago trip in June to study with the Joffrey Ballet and enjoy Chicago.
- f) IYB Dancers are invited to perform in the Expo Recital at Stephens Auditorium in June.

(3) When does IYB rehearse?

IYB class days and times will vary per level, and are scheduled during the week, as well as Saturdays starting in August and continuing through the Expo Recital in June. There are holiday breaks and excused absences allowed.

(4) What is the cost?

IYB charges user fees collected by The Robert Thomas Dancer, who acts as the agent for IYB collecting fees, providing staff, insurance, account management, IT services, instruction, choreographers, costuming and facility for a fee from IYB. User fees vary depending on classes taken and Dance pieces involved in. Each piece is charged separately. IYB seeks grants and donations.

(5) Who is eligible to audition and participate?

Any serious young dancer from any studio is invited. IYB Dancers continue their classes in their home studios and rehearse with IYB at their scheduled times.

(6) When is my class?

Class dates, times, and schedule changes are e-mailed to each dancer as they are placed.

(7) If I make a donation to IYB, will I receive a receipt for my donation?

The IRS has established the following guidelines for cash donations: The written acknowledgment required to substantiate a charitable contribution requires an amount of \$250 or more and must contain the following information:

- (a) Name of the organization
- (b) Amount of cash contribution

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(c) Description (but not value) of non-cash contribution

(d) Statement that no goods or services were provided by the organization, if that is the case

(e) Description and good faith estimate of the value of goods or services, if any organization provided in return, if any, that the organization provided in return for the contribution consisted entirely of tangible religious benefits if that is the case.

(8) Is there a difference between a donation and advertising?

There could be. If recognition is received in a program or at a performance, it can be considered advertising.