

## Frequently Asked Questions

27<sup>th</sup> of May /subject to change

### Amsterdam International Summer School Online 2020

For the online summer programs 12-14 y.o. and 15-21 y.o.

#### General Questions

##### **Will the Amsterdam International Summer School 2020 take place his summer?**

*Unfortunately, we had to make the difficult decision to cancel the Amsterdam International Summer School in its original form, due to the measurements taken to contain the outbreak of the corona virus. As we are always enjoying working with so many international students, we decided to create an alternative program which enables us to be in contact with students in the best possible way these days: The Amsterdam International Summer School Online.*

#### Application

##### **Is it possible to use my place on the waiting list for the Amsterdam International Summer School next year in 2021?**

*No, you cannot extend your place on the waiting list towards the next year. If you would like to join the Amsterdam International Summer School during the next year, you would have to apply again through the application form on our website. Keep a close eye on our website to stay up to date about our projects like the Amsterdam International Summer School.*

##### **I have received a full or 50% scholarship, is it possible to use this scholarship for the summer school in 2021?**

*If you have received a full or 50% scholarship you can join our Amsterdam International Summer School Online program. Unfortunately, it is not possible to make use of your scholarship in 2021.*

##### **I have gained an acceptance through a competition, is it possible to use this for the summer school in 2021?**

*Yes, in case you have received an acceptance for Summer School 2020 through your participation in a competition, it is possible to make use of your acceptance for the Amsterdam International Summer School in 2021. If you would like to make use of this opportunity, please contact us through [nba-summerschool@ahk.nl](mailto:nba-summerschool@ahk.nl) before the 1<sup>st</sup> of June.*

##### **Is it possible to register for only a part of the online program?**

*No, you have to register for the full online program. However, it is fine to not follow all the classes as long as you inform the organization of the Amsterdam International Summer School about this in advance and at least 12 hours before the class will start.*

##### **Is there a US time zone program for 12-14 years old?**

*No, unfortunately we are not able to create another program. When you are 12-14 years old, living in US, and interested in the program, please send us an email.*

## **I have registered for the online summer school, what will happen now?**

*Participation is based on first come, first serve basis. Once a week we will check the applications and will inform applicants whether or not they can take part in the Amsterdam International Summer School Online program. When you have received a confirmation that you can participate in the Online program, we will continue with the procedure of payment: around 5<sup>th</sup> of June you will receive an invoice by email for the online program from our Central Student Administration. The payment deadline of the invoice will be the 12<sup>th</sup> of June. By the end of June, you will receive your instructions and practical information about our online program.*

## **The Online Program**

### **Is it possible to join the online program if I have limited space available?**

*Yes absolutely, we will adjust the classes and exercises to indoor small spaces.*

### **What are the space/equipment requirements for following the online program?**

*You will need a barre or something else to hold onto, for example a chair or a table. Any floor would be fine; however, you might have to adjust certain combinations if your floor does not allow all the exercises.*

### **Is there a dress code?**

*For ballet class we expect that you will wear balletshoes. Point shoes are not required for the classes and not allowed, since we can not guarantee your safety.*

*And furthermore, you can wear your own dancewear that feels comfortable to you.*

### **Will the classes be live?**

*Yes, all the classes will be given through a live stream environment.*

### **Will the teachers be able to see the students in order to give feedback and corrections?**

*Yes, teachers can see the students and will give them feedback. The ballet class and repertoire classes will be less interactive whereas the 'focus on' and 'talk with' classes will be very interactive.*

### **What kind of topics would be addressed during the 'focus on' class?**

*During the 'focus on' classes we will focus on a particular aspect of ballet, for example: jumping, turning, artistry etc.*

### **What devices do I need to follow the Amsterdam International Summer School Online?**

*You will need a device that can connect with internet, this can be a tablet, computer or your mobile phone. Also we request a webcam and microphone, so we can watch and be in contact with you and give feedback during the program.*

*You can use the device that you prefer but the bigger the screen of your device is, the better you can see the details of the classes. Please do check the sound of your device so you can hear the teachers well.*

## **Do I need to download something to download the classes?**

*We will use an online program to stream the classes. With a computer you can choose to use the browser to follow the classes, or to download the program to follow the classes. If you would like to use a tablet or mobile phone, then you will have to download a program for streaming.*

## **Will it be safe to join the classes online?**

*We will do everything within our power to keep the safety prior to the use of our online platform. The online link is personal and created in a safe environment. Besides, we will have to trust on the safety of the participants as well. We assume that all participants will use the information confidentially and personally. The organisation will monitor the use of the information shared with the participants.*

## **Can I apply once and share the link to the online classes with my sister/friends/someone else?**

*No, the link is personal and confidential. By inscribing for our online program, you agree with the Terms and Conditions of the Amsterdam International Summer School Online. In the terms and conditions it is stated that it is forbidden to share the personal link of the course with others. We assume that all participants will use the information shared confidentially and personally in the run up and during the online intensive program. When the organisation finds out that a participant shares the personal link with others and/or the safety of the participants is at stake, we will refuse the participant to any further access to the classes.*

## **My internet does not work properly, can I join the classes?**

*To gain the best out of the classes it would be useful to have a good working internet connection. Maybe your parents can help in fixing the internet problems?*

## **Will the classes be recorded, and will you be able to share the video's?**

*The classes will be filmed for the archive and internal usage of Dutch National Ballet Academy. The organisation of the Amsterdam International Summer School will not be able to share the video's with participants.*

## **Auditions**

### **I would like to audition for one of your school programs, is it possible to audition or get an invitation to audition through the online program?**

*No, it is not possible to audition through our online intensive program. If you would like to audition for our school, please fill in an online audition form which you can find on our website: <https://www.atd.ahk.nl/en/dance-programmes/dutch-national-ballet-academy/bachelor-of-arts-programme/selection-and-audition/>*

## Course fee payment

### **I have already transferred (a part of) the course fee and I would like to join the online program, what should I do?**

*Please fill in the questionnaire that you have received from us, by email on 21<sup>st</sup> of May, in order to provide us with all the information we need to finish your application. If you would like to attend to our online program, we will deduct the 300 euros course fee from the payment that you have already made. We will initiate a refund for the remaining amount.*

### **I have already transferred (a part of) the course fee, but I do not want to attend to the online program, what should I do?**

*Please fill in the questionnaire that you have received from us, by email on 21<sup>st</sup> of May, in order to provide us with all the information we need in order to initiate a full refund.*

## Accommodation

### **I have already transferred the payment of the Stayokay Youth Hostel, what should I do?**

*Please fill in the questionnaire that you have received from us, by email on 21<sup>st</sup> of May, in order to provide us with all the information we need to initiate the refund of the Stayokay Youth Hostel accommodation.*

### **What about the costs for my accommodation and travel?**

*We cannot take any responsibility to refund cancellations of travelling and self-booked accommodations costs. Please check with your own travel agent and insurance what policies they have in relation to the corona virus (force majeure).*

## Other

*If you have any other question that are relevant at this moment, please send us an email at [nba-summerschoo@ahk.nl](mailto:nba-summerschoo@ahk.nl). As the academy is closed for the upcoming month it might take some time to answer your question, but we will try our best.*