

**Black Hills Dance Theatre, Ltd.**  
**Scholarship Guidelines 2024**

**General Information**

Black Hills Dance Theatre, Ltd., is a nonprofit organization managed by an all-volunteer board of directors who are committed to providing quality dance experiences for the children and audiences in the Black Hills region. Black Hills Dance Theatre, Ltd. has established an intensive or workshop scholarship program for dancers who are enrolled in regularly weekly classes in a studio in the Black Hills region and who meet the standards and stipulations listed in the following guidelines. No Video submissions allowed.

**Guidelines:**

1. All applicants must submit via email on or before March 4, 2024 or mail at the address listed below with a post mark date of March 4, 2024:
  - a. The completed Scholarship Application
  - b. The workshop or intensive brochure or website link including faculty, curriculum and cost of workshop or intensive, payment address and payment deadline.
  - c. A copy of The Letter of Acceptance or confirmation of registration from the facility you are attending during the summer of 2024.
  - d. Essay--2-3 Paragraphs
  - e. Waiver of Liability and Photo Release signed by student and guardian
  - f. Payment address for the Intensive or Workshop
2. All applicants must submit with above or in person at time of audition:
  - g. A recent wallet sized photograph of head and shoulders with ballet hair.
  - h. \$25.00 audition class fee payable to BHDT (cash, check, or credit card)
3. Each applicant must have a minimum of two years consecutive dance experience.
4. Although there is no age minimum, the final year a student is eligible to receive scholarship assistance is the summer after graduation from high school.
5. The scholarship is used for dance workshop tuition and cost of attending up to the maximum amount of \$500.00. The scholarship must be used for out-of-area dance workshops or Intensives.
6. Scholarship recipients will be notified by April 1, 2024.
7. Scholarship awards are sent directly to the workshop or Intensive after we receive your confirmation to accept the BHDT scholarship and the payment address of the Intensive or workshop by the due date for the intensive. Scholarship could be paid to families after proof of payment is submitted.
8. Audition may be attended as a Master Class where dancers will not be considered for Scholarship Award. Dancers will pay the \$25.00 fee at check-in and notify Scholarship Chair of attendance as a Master Class by March 4, 2024 via email, phone or in writing mailed to address below.

Please send the above information to Claire Leivestad, Scholarship Chair at [BHDT.org@gmail.com](mailto:BHDT.org@gmail.com) by Monday, March 4, 2024, or send with a postmarked date of March 4, 2024 to:

Black Hills Dance Theatre, Ltd.  
PO Box 9342  
Rapid City, SD 57709

The audition will be held at Barefoot Dance Studio, 412 Oshkosh St., Rapid City, SD. For further information, please call or email Claire Leivestad @ (605) 877-1993 or [claire@rcdancearts.com](mailto:claire@rcdancearts.com).