

Q&A – AUDITIONING FOR THE BACHELOR DANCE PERFORMER

1- Where can I find information about auditioning for the bachelor Dance Performer?

Our up-to-date audition information can be found on our 'Dance page' and by clicking on the country/city you would like to audition at. This information entails where and when, the criteria and requirements.

2- Where can I audition and from which date on can I apply?

The auditions for study year 2025-2026 are held live in the following countries:

- Spain, Barcelona: 8 & 9 March 2025 (workshop & audition)
- Portugal, Porto: 15 & 16 March 2025 (workshop & audition)
- The Netherlands, Rotterdam: 24 – 27 March 2025 (audition)
- France, Marseille: 2 & 13 April 2025 (workshop & audition)
- Italy, Livorno: 19, 20, 21 April 2025 (workshop & audition)

Registration for all auditions is opened from October 1, 2024. The application deadline is February 17, 2025. Specifics of the deadline can be found on our 'Dance page' at each location. Please note that the workshops are optional and not obliged for participating in the auditions.

3- How do I apply/register for an audition?

Registration for the auditions differs per location.

- *Rotterdam, Marseille and Barcelona: you will have to subscribe via Studielink.*
- *Porto and Livorno: you will have to subscribe via our partners.*

Information about applying/registering can be found by clicking on the country/city of interest.

4- How many people audition and are accepted each year?

Each year we receive hundreds of applicants (usually 700+, there is no limit). From this big group we accept around thirty dancers each year.

5- I come from outside European continent country, how do I audition?

For candidates coming from countries outside European continent, we have a different procedure. You can apply for a pre-selection audition via video. After the pre-selection, you will be informed whether you have to come by for a live final audition. Deadline for the pre-selection video audition is January 31, 2025. Please click on the 'Outside Europe' link on our dance page.

6- What experience is required for application?

Several years of intermediate dance training is a plus. Pre-education in dance is highly recommended, but not obliged and it does not give you priority. Every person is accepted or denied based on the audition.

7- For which year can I audition?

Automatically you audition for the first year out of a four-year bachelor programme. In some cases, the audition committee can decide that a candidate is eligible for the second year. The decision of admitting you into a higher year can exclusively be made by the audition committee based on your shown level during the audition, not based on your previous education. If you wish to audition for the 2nd year only, then please indicate this in a remark in your application to inform the audition committee.

8- Where do Codarts Dance alumni work?

Codarts alumni are mostly contracted by dance companies around the world, but also work as freelancers. This is a choice that each graduate makes according to their interests. A list of employers, also for internships, can be found on our webpage and in our study guide.

9- Do you have an open day?

This season the online Open Evening takes place on January 17, 2025. Subscription goes via the Codarts website.

10- Do you have scholarships/grants?

There are scholarships and grants. For non-Europeans, you can apply for a grant. For Europeans, you can apply for a student loan in your own country.

Information about scholarships and grants can be found under 'Practical matters'. The criteria are based on your entrance exam (audition) for the school.

11- Is it possible to do a double degree?

Due to the amount of study hours and weekly physical work, a double degree is not possible/ advisable with the BA Dance Performer. As an alternative there are organized projects and lectures with students from other departments like Circus Arts and Music and/or other art academies.

12- After auditioning, do international students get help with, for example getting insurance, Visa, bank account, housing, etc.?

Information about the practical side of living and studying in Rotterdam can be found on our website, scroll down to/or click on practical matters. You can also follow the general menu and click on 'International Student'.

Prospective students do have to arrange everything themselves, but we provide information after your acceptance to the programme.. For non-Europeans help and guidance is offered for Visa applications. Codarts does not have a campus or our own accommodation for students; students live throughout the city. After acceptance, a document with more information about housing and average monthly costs is provided.