



Springfield Ballet – Sara Brummel’s Community Scholarship Winter/Spring 2025 Requirements and Procedures

Requirements for NEW & RETURNING Applicants:

Springfield Ballet has a select number of funds available for financial support to attend dance classes at Springfield Ballet. Requirements for students and parents to participate in the application process for financial support are:

- **NEW APPLIANTS:** Recommendation by their teacher, instructor, etc. for this scholarship opportunity.
- **RETURNING APPLICANTS:** Fulfillment of previous scholarship award obligations.
- Student has a true desire and passion for dance. Recipients who go above and beyond expectations are highly regarded.
- Student has potential to develop a strong dance technique and performance quality.
- Family is fully committed to initial and continued dance training schedule as discussed with Scholarship Committee members.
- Maintaining an exceptional attendance record each semester, make up missed classes and avoid tardiness and unexcused absences.
- Demonstrating a positive attitude toward other dancers, exhibiting consistent respect and a positive attitude toward Springfield Ballet instructors and staff, and consistently applying sound knowledge of self-care and overall wellness. Being a leader within our community by demonstrating Springfield Ballet’s core values.
- Complying with assigned work study hours which may include, but are not limited to, cleaning, production work, assistant teaching (age 14 and up) and/or office duties. Depending on the age of the scholarship recipient, a parent may be permitted to help with the work study hours.
- Is BIPOC (Black, Indigenous, Person of Color).
- Attending orientation of programming including dance expectations and goals.

Procedures for Applicants:

- **In order to be eligible for this scholarship award, the applicant must be at least seven years of age by January 1, 2025.** Scholarship awards are based on a rubric which scores financial need and other criteria outlined above. Scholarship awards are decided by a committee of Springfield Ballet board members, faculty and staff. The scholarship may only be used during the Winter/Spring 2025 semester.
- **Turn in the Application (page 2) required for the Springfield Ballet Community Scholarship to Ashley Paige Romines, Artistic Director, (apromines@springfieldballet.org), by **Monday, November 11, 2024.** *Incomplete applications will not be considered.***
- **NEW APPLICANTS ONLY:** Collect a letter of recommendation from student’s teacher or instructor – printed or email form.
- **RETURNING APPLICANTS ONLY:** In the dancer’s own words, write a one-page essay (no more than one page, 12pt font, 1.5 line spacing).
How did a previous scholarship award affect you? In what ways did you contribute to Springfield Ballet as a scholarship recipient? How do you plan to contribute to Springfield Ballet if awarded a scholarship this semester? What are your goals?

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- **NEW APPLICANTS ONLY:** Attend a scholarship class on Saturday, November 16, 9:45-10:45am at The Creamery Arts Center, 411 N. Sherman Pkwy, Springfield, MO. Be dressed and prepared to participate in a dance class, ladies wearing leotard, tights and proper ballet shoes or socks and gentlemen wearing white t-shirt, black shorts or tights, and proper ballet shoes or socks.
- **RETURNING APPLICANTS ONLY:** Attend a scholarship audition at The Creamery Arts Center, 411 N. Sherman Pkwy, Springfield, MO. The audition will consist of a ballet technique class. The following dates are the audition classes:
 - **Ballet 2A: Saturday, November 16, 9:30-10:45am** (Studio C)
 - **Ballet 3A: Wednesday, November 13, 6:45-8:15pm** (Studio C)

*If you are unable to attend the NEW APPLICANT scholarship orientation or RETURNING APPLICANT audition time, please contact Artistic Director, Ashley Paige Romines, by Friday, November 8 to make alternate arrangements.

Applicants will be notified of their award amount by email when the review process is complete.

Springfield Ballet, Inc. is a not-for-profit organization. For additional information, contact Artistic Director Ashley Paige Romines at apromines@springfieldballet.org.

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Springfield Ballet
Sara Brummel's Community Scholarship
Application

I. Dancer's Information:

Dancer's Name _____ Dancer's Birthdate _____

Parent Name/s _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

E-mail Address _____

II. Applicant's Dance History If Applicable: (attach additional sheet/resume if needed)

Name of Dance School (beginning with most current)	Name of Instructor(s)	Dates of Study (M/Y format)	Hours per week	Style of Dance Studied (Ballet, Modern, Jazz, etc.)

Dance performance/Choreographic history: (attach additional sheet/resume if needed)

Date (M/Y format beginning with most current)	Type of Performance (Pre-professional, Professional, Recital, In-studio presentation or Demonstration)	Name of Production/Role

Extra-Curricular Activities _____



Financial Information

To be completed by ALL Community Scholarship applicants. Your application will not be complete without provided documentation.

All financial information will be kept confidential and secured. Springfield Ballet does not keep your tax information on file after the scholarship review process; your information is shredded and disposed of. Your application will not be complete without provided documentation.

Person Responsible for Tuition of Applicant _____

_____ Yes, I have attached a copy of the **2023** federal income tax forms (1040, 1040A, 1040EZ, etc.) of the **person who is responsible for tuition for the applicant**. Please note that tax forms from any other year **will not be considered**.

_____ No, I do not have **2023** federal income tax forms available to submit because _____

The Person Responsible for Tuition of the Applicant adjusted gross annual income for the year ending December 31, 2023 was \$ _____.

Unusual expenses or extraordinary circumstances: _____

(attach additional sheet if needed)

Please return the completed scholarship application (page 3 & 4) along with

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to Springfield Ballet by **November 11, 2024 to:**

Springfield Ballet, Community Scholarship Committee, 411 N. Sherman Pkwy., Springfield, MO 65802 or email it to apromines@springfieldballet.org.