

Cumbe Dance, Drum & Imagination Summer Camp 2021

FAQ

About the camp

In Cumbe's Dance, Drum & Imagination Summer Camp, students ages 3 to 8 will unleash their imagination, express themselves creatively, and learn about the diverse world of dance and music with roots reaching back to Africa.

Camp Director Aja-Nicole Hope — along with Cumbe's exceptional teaching artists — will lead campers in daily activities including dancing, singing, drumming, tumbling, visual arts (including mask and costume making), and outdoor playtime centered around curriculum developed by Aja-Nicole Hope. At the end of each session, campers will produce a sharing for friends and family showcasing their work.

Where will the camp be located?

We are excited to announce that this year's Dance, Drum and Imagination Summer Camp will be housed at [The Irondale Center for Theater](#). Please see the attached link for directions and history of the historic space!

What are the dates for camp?

Session 1 July 6 - July 16

Session 2: July 19 - July 30

What time will camp be in session?

The day begins with drop off starting at 8:30am, camp programming is 9-3pm. There is availability for extended daycare 3-6pm.

Safety Policies + Daily Practices

Cumbe is committed to maintaining safe distancing and healthy hygiene practices for the duration of Camp. Parents, guardians, and caregivers are asked to keep their child within arm's reach and maintain between 6 feet of distance from other caregivers and children during drop-off and pick-up.

Children must be tested for COVID-19 in the 72 hours prior to the start of each program session, and documentation of the negative result must be provided to Cumbe before or at drop off on the first day of each session.

Start of Day

Starting at 8:30am, families will be invited (one at a time) into the lobby space to conduct a health screening. The daily assessment will include temperature checks as well as a health and wellness questionnaire; responses will be logged into a spreadsheet tracing purposes.

Camp staff will be present to assist with and reinforce safety practices. We are expecting **all persons over the age of two to wear a mask or face covering at all times** while approaching, on, and departing from the premises with the exception of lunch + snack time. Even if you have no symptoms, you can still have COVID-19 and spread it to others. Face coverings protect other people. If campers do not have masks or masks become worn down over the course of the day we will supply a mask but encourage families to pack extras.

Physical distancing will be in effect during all sessions. The Space at Irondale is over 3000sq ft. The space will have place markers for campers that observe physical distancing of 3-6 ft.

How will Cumbe keep each camper safe as they move through the day?

Our staff will maintain good hand hygiene as we work together to create art, play and use instruments. There will be several hand sanitizing stations in the space and we'll be encouraging washing your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds (or using an alcohol-based hand sanitizer if soap and water are not available).

How frequently will the space be cleaned?

As we transition between art making, dance/drum and rest time we will be wiping down surfaces and items shared. After each day all surfaces and floors will be wiped down and sanitized. We will also have a third party company coming into the space to do deep cleaning two to three times a week during camp.

What happens if someone becomes ill during a camp session?

It is very important to **Stay home if you are sick.**

If a child begins to feel unwell (and in particular if they have a fever) during program hours, we will contact the parent/guardian so that the child can be picked up immediately. We will have the child wait in an isolated, supervised space until they are picked up.

If a child leaves the program because of an illness that includes any covid-symptom (see below), they will need to show proof of a negative COVID test before returning.

Symptoms

- **Cough**
- **Sore throat**
- **Runny Nose**
- **Nausea/ vomiting**

- **Headache, Migraine, Fatigue**

What happens if a child, family member or staff person contracts COVID-19?

If a parent, child, or staff in our camp becomes ill with COVID-19, families will be informed immediately while maintaining the confidentiality of infected individuals. Cumbe will follow state-mandated COVID-19 reporting guidelines, including issuing a report to the NYC DOH and informing the Executive, Administration and Operations, and Summer Camp Director.

If there is a confirmed case of COVID-19 among staff, children or a child's family member, Cumbe will inform families and staff members. The infected person will be required to quarantine for 14 days after being informed of exposure to infected individuals. Other students and staff may resume camp participation once they present a negative PCR test. .

Cumbe Dance, Drum and Imagination Camp agrees to:

- a. Notify the camp community, maintaining appropriate confidentiality.
- b. Determine and communicate camp closure if warranted and initiate all cleaning protocol and processes.

In the case that a student is required to quarantine and unable to continue participating in camp activities due to a Covid-19 viral infection, a refund of 50% of paid camp fees prorated according to the amount of time remaining will be issued.

**** Official Safety plan will be available and attached with camp forms**

More Questions?

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