

COVID-19 Prevention Policies for Customers:

We are serious about getting back to work. We need it. Our community needs it. We need each other.

That being said, safety and health are a priority. We must adapt to the new world we are living in. Thus, the following changes, new policies and procedures are in place to make our return a successful one. Please be patient as we continue to navigate our way to a new normal.

I. **Notice on NYC Vaccination Mandate Imposed on Arts and Culture Facilities - Policy for Rental Customers** Per [NYC Mandate](#) and the [Executive Order](#) of the City of New York, all New York City Dance Studios are mandated to require all persons entering our premises to be vaccinated. Please note the following:

- **FULL VACCINATION REQUIRED for People 12 and Over.** All persons 12 and older must be fully vaccinated (2 weeks from the final shot) to use our space. That means they will need at least 2 shots for the Pfizer/Moderna vaccines or one shot of the J&J vaccine.
- **ONE SHOT required for kids 5-11 years old.** Per NYC's Mandate, kids 5-11 years old will be required to present proof of at least one shot of an approved vaccination.
- **Vaccination proof must be present prior to use of our space.** Vaccination proof shall be verified in person via proper vaccination card, code or app along with a photo ID. For larger groups, or foreign proof of vaccination, additional verification may be required. Once your vaccination proof has been checked, you will be verified in the system so you do not have to present proof again.
- **Photo ID & Vaccination Proof Required at ALL TIMES.** Be prepared for additional vaccination verification upon entry either by PMT Staff or City Inspectors. All persons entering our space must have proof of vaccination and a photo ID, in their possession, at all times.
- **EXEMPTIONS.** Unfortunately, NYC and the Mayor's Office is not providing any exemptions for customers at this time.
- **ALTERNATIVES TO VACCINATION PROOF FOR ENTRY NOT PERMITTED.** Tests and other alternatives for entry are not permitted per order of the Mayor's Office and the City of New York.
- **END DATE NOT PROVIDED.** The City has not provided any sunset date for the mandate nor did they provide any criteria for when the mandate would end. We continue to inquire about this.

II. **Quarantine Protocols**

- a. **If you test positive**, one of two things must take place to return to the studio:
 - i. **A negative test after 5 days of asymptomatic isolation.** Two negative tests are required if you are using an at home test.
 - ii. **Return after 10 days.** No test is required but you must be asymptomatic for at least 5 days.
- b. **If you were in close contact with someone who tested positive for COVID-19**, you can return if:
 - i. **You have one negative test.** At home test is acceptable.
 - ii. **5 days have passed with no symptoms.** No test required.

III. **Additional Protocols**

- **Liability Waivers.** All persons must sign a waiver of liability and agreement to terms prior to using our space. All customers are using the space acknowledging they are taking the proper health precautions and must waive us for any liability as it pertains COVID-19.
- **Check-In Required.** All persons entering the space, whether they are there for studio use or to wait in the common space MUST check in at the front desk upon entry.

- **All renters must announce and pre-approve size of their groups.** Only the number of pre-approved participants will be permitted onto the premises. Any additional participants may be turned away from using the space for which PMT Management has full discretion. Violation of this policy is immediate grounds for dismissal without refund.
- **Compliance with State Mandates.** You are required to comply with all State laws in regard to COVID-19. If you traveled to a state or country that is under a quarantine restriction, or have been infected with COVID-19, within the last 14 days you are not permitted to use our space until the proper quarantine period has elapsed, and you are no longer contagious.
- **Yoga Mats and Equipment:** We cannot provide any equipment or mats, except for ballet barres.
- **PMT's YOUTH CLASSES.**
 - **Masks mandatory at all times for everyone on site, including parents, staff and teachers.** Eating in the common areas will not be permitted while Youth Classes are running.
 - **Continuation of reduced class sizes.**
 - **Separate rooms for snack periods, if needed.**
- **PMT's ADULT CLASSES.**
 - **Masks are optional UNLESS required by the teacher.** Teachers have final say on mask requirements. Please respect their wishes as they need to stay healthy to earn a living.
 - **Reduced Classes Sizes** may be in effect, depending on the need to do so. We recommend everyone sign up in advance of class.

Please be sure to create a safe environment. If any of the above is not being observed, we reserve the right to expel those who are in non-compliance or stop activities all together for the safety of EVERYONE at the SOLE COST of the Patron. Please observe the above so patrons can feel safe.

IV. **Additional Safety Measures:**

- **Cleaning Procedures:** We have purchased hospital grade cleaning supplies. Our staff conduct rounds throughout the day to clean doorknobs, barres, restrooms, table surfaces, and other common areas with disinfectant and cleaning wipes. Cleaner/disinfectant is also available upon request.
- **Hand sanitizer** (over 70% isopropyl alcohol) is available on the ground level and throughout the premises. Washing your hands for 20 seconds is the best method of prevention.
- **Regular Briefings** are given to staff to update them on methods of preventions as well as the virus itself.
- **Staircase Access** is available for entry and exit. This is to avoid crowding into elevators.
- **Ventilation** of the studio through our open HVAC system, which circulates fresh air from outside. The HVAC system is fitted with MERV 13 filters – found to filter out the Coronavirus. We have also altered the way the windows open in studios to allow for more airflow. Doors will remain open, when possible, to create added ventilation.
- **Allowance of daylight** throughout the space – UV rays are effective against the virus.
- **Administrative Staff will be masked** in all public facing areas.

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