**November 2020**

**FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQ)**

**Henny Jurriëns Studio (HJS)**

HJS was established in 1995 as a non-profit foundation/stichting in order to provide an open training environment for professional-level dancers. It has since then developed into one of the most important open dance training centers in Europe. The foundations namesake, the late Henny Jurriëns, was one of best known and loved dancers in The Netherlands, noted for his kind and generous character. HJS offers dance training all year round. 2020 marks HJS's 25th anniversary!

We’ve compiled an extensive FAQ page, with literally all the questions we thought you might have. Please make sure to carefully read the information on this page, to find an answer to any question you might have. It's your responsibility to be aware of all the conditions in this document.

In the rare case where a question would go unanswered, you can email us for questions about workshops at intensives@hjs.amsterdam. For all other questions, please send an email to office@hjs.amsterdam. Your email will be answered within five days. Keep checking your spam folder. Questions sent via Facebook, Instagram or the registration form will go unanswered.

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1. **Content of the program and COVID measurements**

Two daily classes (ballet and contemporary) are offered Monday through Saturday throughout the whole year. On Saturdays, the contemporary class is a Gaga/dancers class. During holiday periods and when intensive programs are offered, the schedule may vary.
We will work with a maximum amount of dancers per class. Dancers are responsible themselves for keeping 1,5 meters distance between each other. You need to register in advance, via <https://hjs.blossomstudio.app/>. Please don't show up without a registration!

Please wait outside in line with 1,5 meter distance, in front of the sign of Chassé Dance Studios. The first person in line can enter the building at 9:00 for ballet and 10:45 for contemporary. Angelina will do the triage (health questions) at the HJS reception desk, and will either allow you to enter class or not. Before the start of class, dancers for the contemporary class wait in the foyer, while keeping 1,5 meters distance.

In case you cannot make it to class, or in case we need to exclude you from class after the triage process, or when you don’t stick to the rules, there will be no refund given.

We follow the guidelines of the [RIVM](https://www.rivm.nl/en/novel-coronavirus-covid-19), and several measurements we need to take in this starting phase. Please see our [House Rules](https://hjs.amsterdam/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/House-Rules-September-2020.pdf) for more information about COVID measurements.

All ballet classes are accompanied by live music, played by a group of professional pianists. Contemporary classes are accompanied by professional percussionists or with music chosen by the teacher.

Workshops and masterclasses in different genres are offered throughout the year, as well as in seasonal intensive clusters.

* 1. **Schedule**

The daily schedule can be found on the [website](https://hjs.amsterdam/schedule/), and at the HJS reception desk. The schedule is subject to change.

* 1. **Instructors**

Our teachers represent today's professional dance world. Teachers come from different places from all over the world. They have professional teaching backgrounds, and sometimes are choreographers and directors of companies.

* 1. **Certificate**
	HJS doesn’t provide any diplomas or certificates.
1. **Who is it for?**

All of the classes and workshops are open to dancers of professional level, ability and training. Classes and workshop will be given in English. If you are a professional dancer and have a physical disability/limitation, you are very welcome too.

* 1. **Registration open classes**

Please register in advance, via <https://hjs.blossomstudio.app/>. Please don't show up without a registration!

* 1. **Registration workshops**
	Workshops will be posted on the website and social media, and will be included in our e-newsletter. Pre-registration through the website is necessary and entrance to workshops is based on the dancer's CV and dance film and the instructor’s requirements. Usually, we select a mix of professional dancers and final-year students. You will receive an answer by email about whether or not you are accepted within five days. Keep checking your spam folder. If you didn’t hear from us within five days, please call us in the morning before 12:00, at +31 (0) 412 15 10. If you are selected, we will send you a payment link. Workshops are of different lengths in terms of number of days and amount of hours. In some cases, we offer you the opportunity to take two workshops a day, but usually a class or two plus one workshop is already quite a full program.
1. **Costs and payment**
	1. **Open classes**
	**SINGLE CLASS**

€ 10,00

Purchase via <https://hjs.blossomstudio.app/>

**10 CLASS CARD**

The 10 class card is strictly for own use, non-refundable, non-transferable and valid for a calendar year, and expires on the last day of the year in which it is purchased.

You can purchase a 10 class card via Blossom (<https://hjs.blossomstudio.app/>) for € 80,-. We only offer 5 class cards during the Summer Intensive. You can purchase one via Blossom (<https://hjs.blossomstudio.app/>) for € 40,-.

* 1. **Workshops and masterclasses**

Prices vary, please see the [workshops](https://hjs.amsterdam/workshops/)

1. **Attendance**

Dancers who are available during the full workshop period get priority. If any spots are left, dancers with limited availability are allowed to participate, after approval of the staff (Ineke Drabbe & Gary Feingold).

1. **Cancellation policy**

There is a limited refund policy. See [HERE](https://hjs.amsterdam/general-agreements/).

1. **Scholarships**

We don't offer any scholarship programs or discounts.

1. **Recordings, filming & taking pictures**

Parts of classes and workshops may be recorded by HJS for HJS purposes only. By taking classes and/or workshops at HJS, you consent to these registrations and any use for future HJS marketing purposes. We do not provide any of the participants, teachers or other organizations with the materials, other than those that are published online on our website or social media. Participants will not be allowed to make any video recordings or take pictures of HJS classes and/or HJS workshops.

By registering for the open classes, you accept that the class may be recorded for live stream sessions. If you do not want to be filmed, please notify the HJS staff.

1. **Amsterdam - travel & housing**
	1. **How will I get to Amsterdam?**

There are excellent train connections to Amsterdam from France, Germany, Belgium as well as the UK.

If you fly to Schiphol Airport, there's an excellent train connection to various train stations in and around the city, where you can change to trams or buses. Google Maps is the easiest way to plan your route, with more route info on the [9292](http://www.9292.nl) Information about train tickets can be found on the [NS website](https://www.nsinternational.nl/) and about trams and bus tickets on the [GVB website](https://en.gvb.nl/) or apps.

* 1. **How do I get around?**

There are various public transport options near the Chassé Dans Studios. Trams 19 stops nearby at the Admiraal de Ruijterweg, and buses 18 and 247 stop at the Jan Evertsenstraat.

For information about where and how to buy tickets/passes etc., visit the [GVB website](http://www.gvb.nl). For information about getting to our studios and theatres, please visit the [9292 website](http://www.9292.nl) or download the apps.

Bicycle online routemap: [Routecraft](http://routecraft.com/)

If you are used to biking in busy cities, biking is the best way to move about. You can rent a bike at different places in town. Please be careful, as traffic is quite hectic. Bike rentals close to our studio include:

[Fietspadje](http://fietspadje.nl): Van Kinsbergenstraat 38

[Fietsenwinkel Admiraal](https://www.facebook.com/pages/category/Bicycle-Shop/Fietsenwinkel-Admiraal-363077187136265/): Admiraal de Ruijterweg 81

[Bike King:](https://www.kingbikes.nl/) Kinkerstraat 364

* 1. **Passport & visa requirements**
	Citizens of most western and many Asian countries can enter The Netherlands without a visa and stay up to 90 days in the entire EU Schengen area. For some countries, visa requirements apply. Check [HERE](https://ind.nl/en/short-stay/Pages/Holiday-and-family-visit.aspx). In all cases, check the requirements for your nationality online. Please make sure to do your research well in advance of your arrival.
	2. **Insurance**
	Please make sure you have an updated travel/health insurance. HJS will not be responsible for any accidents, medical bills or loss of property that occurs during your stay in Amsterdam.
	3. **Does HJS offer student housing or will you assist in finding housing?**No, you need to arrange your housing yourself. After selection, we will send you some extra information about housing suggestions and getting around in Amsterdam (by bike, public transport).
	4. **Health related addresses**

- [Fysiotherapie Keizersgracht](https://www.fysiotherapie-keizersgracht.nl) (physical therapy, manual therapy, haptonomy):

[- Fysiocity:](https://www.fysiocity.nl/en/)

 (Located at the studios where OBOC takes place. You can book an appointment online or at the studio.)

- [Chiropractor Nekwerk:](https://amsterdam-chiropractor.nl/)

There also is a list available at the HJS Reception desk for doctors, dentists and such.

* 1. **Where are the studios located in Amsterdam?**

They are located in Amsterdam West, at the Chassé Studios, Chasséstraat 64.

* 1. **How do I get to the studio?**

The studios are easy to reach by public transport or bike. Trams 19 stops nearby at the Admiraal de Ruijterweg, and busses 18 and 247 stop at the Jan Evertsenstraat.

* 1. **What facilities are around?**

The studios are located in a busy part of town. There are cafes, restaurants and supermarkets in the area.

1. **General agree****ments**

The schedule is subject to change in case of sickness, injury or force majeure.

The General Agreements & Privacy Policy can be found [HERE](https://hjs.amsterdam/general-agreements/).

1. **Contact information**

If you read all the information above, but your question is not answered yet, you can get in touch with us at intensives@hjs.amsterdam, if your question is urgent, relating to our program and you've read all the information above to verify it is not answered on this page.
You can call us Monday – Friday  between 9:00 and 12:00. If we can’t be reached by phone, you can leave a message or send us an email at office@hjs.amsterdam or via the website page 'About Us/Contact'. We try to get back to you within five days. Please make sure to check your spam folder.

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