



## Youth Troupe Audition

The Circus Spot is holding auditions to be a part of our youth troupes in 2019.

There are two troupes – our junior troupe called ‘The Mini Spots’ and our senior troupe called ‘The Little Spots’. Both troupes perform at a variety of festivals and events throughout the year, and in our annual student showcase - A Smorgasbord of Circus.

Applicants will need to attend a workshop audition on **Saturday November 24th at 2pm**. The session will be run as a circus class, and will be led by performing troupe coaches, Daniel, Emily and Free (there is no cost for this session).

### Qualities we look for in troupe members

- Ability to work in a group
- Focus and perseverance within a circus class
- High level of skill in 2 of the following disciplines:
  - Tumbling
  - Aerials – in either Tissu, Trapeze, Aerial Hoop or Rope
  - Acrobalance
  - Manipulation – such as Juggling, Hula Hooping, Diabolo

Students will chose two disciplines that they would like to audition with. During the audition participants will go over skills in their two chosen disciplines. Additionally participants will be taken through group exercises and tasks to assess how they work in a group, and how they respond to new challenges.

You must register to audition by completing the form attached and returning it to the black letter box at the reception desk.

### Youth Troupe Skills Requirements

Listed on below are the **minimum expected requirements** for each discipline

*PLEASE NOTE: Applicants only need to pick two specialties - they do not need to be proficient in everything listed*

Trapeze	Minimum ability of level 3 Trapeze skills Ability to run a sequence of at least 5 skills without dismounting	
Tissu (Mini Spots)	Minimum ability of level 2 Tissu skills Ability to run a sequence of at least 5 skills without dismounting	
Tissu (Little Spots)	Minimum ability of level 4 Tissu skills Ability to run a sequence of at least 5 skills without dismounting	
Tumbling	Backward roll to front support Handstand flatback	Cartwheel step in Hurdle cartwheel
Aerial Hoop	Minimum ability of level 3 Aerial Hoop skills Ability to run a sequence of at least 8 skills without dismounting	
Juggling	3 ball juggle for 50 catches 2 ball juggle (one hand)	4 tricks with 3 balls
Hula Hoops	Hoop on tummy – 2 minutes Hoop on knees – 30 seconds	2 hoop split Run a sequence of 10 skills without error
Acrobalance	Thigh stand (base or fly) Candlestick (base or fly)	Bluebird on feet (base or fly)



## Youth Troupe commitments in 2019

### Attendance requirements for Mini Spots

- Compulsory group training on Monday from 5.30pm - 7pm.
- Compulsory group training on Thursday nights from 6pm – 7.30pm.
- Mini Spots members are required to enroll in at least one specialty class in addition to the group training

### Attendance requirements for Little Spots

- Compulsory group training on Monday from 5.30pm - 7pm.
- Compulsory group training on Thursday nights from 6pm - 8pm.
- Little Spots members are required to enroll in at least 2 specialty classes in addition to the group training

### Performance commitments

Throughout the year the youth troupe performs at events such as local festivals and fetes and our annual student showcase. Although we understand that members are not always available to take part, we do expect students to be actively interested and committed where possible.

### Enrolment Fees

Joining a youth troupe is a full year commitment; as such there is an annual membership fee. As part of the membership fee, all troupe members will receive a youth troupe t-shirt.

#### Mini Spots

- 2019 Membership fee is \$325
- Term fees for Mini Spots in 2018 will be \$525 for each term (regardless of length)
- Mini Spots fees includes one (1) specialty classes
- There is no charge for Acrobalance – i.e you can do one specialty in addition to Acrobalance
- Costume fee for the student showcase (Smorgasbord) is \$70

#### Little Spots

- 2019 Membership fee is \$325
- Term fees for Little Spots in 2018 will be \$625 for each term (regardless of length)
- Little Spots fees includes two (2) specialty classes
- There is no charge for Acrobalance – i.e you can do two specialties in addition to Acrobalance
- Costume fee for the student showcase (Smorgasbord) is \$70