

## Danspace Project Protocols for COVID-19 As of January 6, 2023

Please stay home and take care of yourself if you have any COVID-19 or flu-like symptoms or have tested positive for COVID-19 in the past 5 days.

### **ARTISTS + COLLABORATORS\*, AUDIENCES, STAFF\***

**\*\*For staff and artists** - Please see the last page of this document for protocols on what to do if you have an exposure or test positive for COVID-19.

### **ARTISTS + COLLABORATORS**

**Masks** Artists, collaborators, and on-stage performers may remove masks while on stage during rehearsals, final dress rehearsal, filming, and performances. In the dressing room masks may be removed while preparing for rehearsals and performance, and while eating or drinking during breaks.

**Masks must be worn at all other times** - While entering and exiting the building; while on the balcony or in the Danspace office; when in contact with Danspace staff offstage such as Technicians, Front of House, admin staff, etc. (*N95 or KN95 grade masks are strongly encouraged*).

**Children 5 Years and Under** - Masking is at the discretion of the guardian.

**Testing** Artists, collaborators, and on-stage performers are required to take a rapid test once a week. Danspace Project will make tests available to those who need them. Please request tests ahead of time if needed. Test results should be submitted to [niko@danspaceproject.org](mailto:niko@danspaceproject.org).

**Vaccination** Artists, collaborators, and on-stage performers are strongly encouraged to be fully vaccinated and up to date with boosters. Proof of vaccination status is not required.

### **AUDIENCES**

**Masks** Audiences are required to wear masks at all times (*N95 or KN95 grade masks are strongly encouraged*). Masks will be provided if needed.

**Children 5 Years and Under** - Masking is at the discretion of the guardian.

**Exposure** Please stay home and take care of yourself if you have any COVID-19

or flu-like symptoms, have been in contact with someone who is confirmed with COVID-19, or have tested positive for COVID-19 in the past 5 days.

**Vaccination** Audiences and guests are strongly encouraged to be fully vaccinated and up to date with boosters. Proof of vaccination status is not required.

**Testing** All guests are strongly encouraged to test regularly and to know their status before attending events at Danspace Project.

## **STAFF**

### **Masks**

- For administrative staff during day-to-day office hours, taking masks off is contingent on consensus from everyone in the office when artists and shift-based (Technicians and Front-of-House) staff members are not onsite.
- When Artists and shift-based staff are onsite, masking is required at all times of all staff.
- The Danspace Project Covid Task Force may require masks for certain staff events on a case-by-case basis.
- Shift-based staff members are required to wear masks on-site at all times.
- N95 or KN95 grade masks are strongly encouraged

**Vaccination** Staff is required to be fully vaccinated with the first eligible booster.

**Testing** All staff are strongly encouraged to test regularly and to know their status when in the office or before attending onsite events.

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## **VENTILATION**

- Four indoor air purifier machines are running in the Sanctuary 24/7.
  - Do not move, unplug, or modify the settings of these air purifiers without consulting Danspace staff.
- For a public event of 50 patrons or more, House Management will run the air purifiers on high-speed for two hours prior to the start of the event.

## **PROTOCOLS FOR EXPOSURES TO COVID-19 FOR STAFF, ARTISTS + COLLABORATORS**

- *If you experience a COVID-19 exposure and have no symptoms:*
  - *Per current CDC and other guidelines, if you are fully vaccinated you may return to the engagement. Further testing and additional masking is strongly recommended after a known exposure.*
  
- *If you experience symptoms of COVID-19:*
  - *Immediately report to your director or supervisor (lead artist, please report any updates about your company to the Program Director).*
  - *Take a rapid COVID-19 test.*
    - *If negative: you may return to the engagement. Further testing and additional masking requirements may be implemented as a precaution.*
  
- *If you test positive for COVID-19:*
  - *If asymptomatic - 5 days isolation and a negative rapid test are required before returning to the engagement.*
  - *If symptomatic - A minimum 5 days isolation is required, as well as 24 hours without fever and a negative rapid test before returning.*
    - *Further testing and additional masking requirements may be implemented as a precaution.*
  
- *After the engagement:*
  - *Individuals who test positive for COVID-19 during their time at Danspace, or within 3-5 of days after being present at Danspace, are asked to report to Danspace Deputy Director [jodi@danspaceproject.org](mailto:jodi@danspaceproject.org).*

Danspace Project Inc. bases all decisions regarding public health on the best available science and follows at all times guidance from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the New York State Department of Health and the City of New York Department of Health. Danspace's plans, policies, and guidance to Danspace community members will adapt and be updated as guidance from those agencies evolves with our understanding of COVID-19.