



Effective July 1, 2021, the Province is removing Public Health Orders and replacing them with guidelines. As such, Place des Arts will be transitioning from a COVID-19 Safety Plan to a new Communicable Disease Plan as per guidelines established by the BC Ministry of Health. However, until such time, we will operate with the following Summer Safety Plan.

SUMMER SAFETY PLAN

In effect: July 1 to Sep 6, 2021

Last updated June 30, 2021

1. General Guidelines for all Students¹ and Visitors²:

- All students and visitors are asked to self-assess before entering the PdA building or any authorized satellite site hosting PdA programs (“Facilities”). If you or anyone in your family feels sick, do not enter the Facilities; stay home.
- All students and visitors are asked to follow the mask recommendation as stated in Step 3 of **BC’s 4-step Restart Plan effective July 1, 2021: *Wearing a mask is recommended in indoor public spaces for all people 12 and older who are not yet fully vaccinated. Fully vaccinated means 14-days after receiving your second dose. No proof of vaccination will be needed.***
- Please respect people who choose to continue to wear a mask.

2. Entering the PdA Facilities and Underground Parkade Closure

- Students and visitors must **enter** through our accessible **main entrance on Brunette Avenue**. The underground parkade and access to the building through the parkade is **closed** for the summer. Please use the outdoor parking lots located on the east and west side of the building.

3. Safety Measures and Modifications for our In-Person Programs (camps, music, dance classes and private lessons, ceramics and fibre arts open studio):

- In-person class sizes have been reduced to accommodate social distancing requirements. Instructors moderate the movement of students in/out of classrooms and within the classroom (e.g., by spacing students out).
- Camps, lessons and class times have been staggered to avoid crowding and to allow for cleaning and sanitizing between classes.
- Rooms used for music, visual arts and ceramics have been configured to provide at least two meters between students. Additionally, transparent barriers have been installed in some visual arts rooms, and the ceramic arts and music classrooms.
- Supplies, tools and equipment will not be shared with other students. Tools and equipment will be cleaned and disinfected before being reused.

¹ Students to PdA include those attending camps, session classes and private lessons, ceramics and fibre open studio and members of the Summer Theatre Troupe program

² Visitors to PdA include members of the public i.e., parents/guardians of students, delivery personnel, PdA collaborators/supporters, venue renters, etc.
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Dance, Theatre and Summer Theatre Troupe specific:

- Rooms used for dance and theatre have been configured to ensure at least 7 square metres per person in the class including the teacher and if required, the classroom assistant.
- When necessary, portable full-length transparent barriers are placed between students in theatre arts classes and/or rehearsals. Props and costumes will not be shared.
- Equipment has been numbered (e.g., ballet barres) for student use to ensure appropriate physical distancing and to avoid contact between students.
- Dance instructors will refrain from exercising during class, roaming around the classroom and providing hands-on corrections.
- Dance students must bring their own towel or mat if doing floor work.
- The doors of rooms used for dance will be opened to improve airflow between classes. Please respect the signage/temporary door barriers and allow our employees and instructors to clean, disinfect and reset the rooms for the next class.

4. Cleaning Protocols:

- Cleaning protocols specific to classroom activities and equipment have been established and will be followed.
- High-touch surfaces and areas will be cleaned after use.

5. Illness Policy and Procedure:

If a student or visitor arrives at PdA ill with flu-like symptoms (fever, chills, coughing, nausea, diarrhea), or becomes ill while at PdA, PdA employees will take the following steps:

- Separate the symptomatic individual to an isolated area or a room with good airflow (e.g., where windows can be opened). If not already wearing one, the symptomatic individual will be asked to put on a mask.
- Where possible, all PdA employees will maintain a two-metre distance from the symptomatic individual and wear a mask.
- The employee will stay with the symptomatic individual and fill out the ***PdA Incident Report***.
- If applicable, the employee will inform the individual's emergency contact to pick them up as soon as possible.
- The symptomatic individual should stay home until their symptoms resolve.

6. Additional Modifications and Safety Measures for Attending Camps In-Person Camps:

- Pick-up and Drop-off procedures have been implemented. Please review the procedures for your camp in the Summer Fun! Guide.
- Place des Arts will not be providing before- or after-camp care.
- Students should not bring any unnecessary belongings to camp (e.g., toys, games).

- Hybrid Camp students must purchase their own supplies and will be responsible for bringing their supplies to and from Place des Arts each day. Supplies cannot be stored at PdA. Art projects can be left throughout the week but must be taken home on Friday.
- Day Camp students will receive tools, materials and equipment that they will use for the week. They will not be sharing any tools, materials or equipment with other children. Tools and equipment will be stored in personalized containers for the week. They will be disinfected and cleaned at the end of the week before being reused.
- The HAPPY hygiene policy will be reviewed (see section 8) with the students every day.
- Nut-Free lunch and snacks brought from home will be eaten outside, weather permitting, or indoors in their individual space.

7. Camp Handwashing and Hygiene:

- Students will regularly sanitize or wash their hands for at least 20 seconds, according to health regulations. Staff will teach, practice and model good hand hygiene and respiratory etiquette (such as coughing or sneezing into the crease of your elbow and throwing tissues out immediately after use).
- Hand sanitizer will be visible and available at locations throughout the facility. Staff will review this policy with students daily.

HAPPY Hygiene Policy

H = Hands to yourself and away from your face.

A = Avoid trouble, stay in your bubble.

P = Proper handwashing is important.

P = Please use your elbow when you have to sneeze or cough.

Y = You can do it!

8. In-Person Camp Lunch and Snacks:

- PdA will not be selling snacks.
- Place des Arts kitchen will be closed, so there will be no access to the microwave, sink or utensils.
- Place des Arts is a nut-free zone, please ensure all food and drinks are nut-free.
- Children will take home all food packaging, food scraps, utensils, etc. in the same container.
- Children will not share food or drinks.
- Send food in containers that your child(ren) can open by themselves. If your child(ren) cannot open the container, please use an alternative.