

Keshet Dance and Center for the Arts'
COVID-19 Safety Policies, Procedures & Protocols
For In-Person Community Activities

Students, Families, Performers, Audiences, Renters, Volunteers, Visitors, Staff

Effective September 13th, 2022

In response to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, Keshet has enacted these policies to help safeguard the health of its students, staff, performers, audiences, volunteers, and our general community.

Any individual not in compliance with these policies will not be permitted to participate on-site programming and will have the option to continue to utilize virtual opportunities to continue engaging with Keshet.

As the COVID-19 pandemic continues to evolve and change, all Keshet safety policies are subject to change. We will make sure our community is always updated about new policy changes.

MASKS

POLICY:

- Masks must be worn within Keshet at all times, regardless of vaccination status and must completely cover the nose and mouth.
- Bandanas, buffs, masks with vents, or gaiters are not acceptable face coverings

EXEMPTIONS: N/A

PROCESS: If you forget a mask, they are freely available in the Keshet lobby.

GENERAL PROCEDURES & PROTOCOLS

ALL VISITORS:

- Any individual experiencing symptoms including but not limited to the following are not permitted in the Keshet facility:
 - coughing, sneezing, fever, sore throat, chest congestion, stomach or body ache, extreme fatigue, loss of taste or smell, experiencing changes in vision, rash, diarrhea, vomiting or any other symptoms of being ill.

- All visitors to Keshet agree to alert a Keshet staff member immediately if they or a member of their household develop symptoms of COVID-19 or test positive for the virus proximate to their visit/s to Keshet.
- If an individual displays any symptoms of illness while at Keshet, they will be expected to remove themselves from public spaces immediately and should seek advice and care from their healthcare provider immediately. If the individual is a minor, parents/families will be contacted and asked to promptly pick up their child and should seek advice and care from their healthcare provider immediately.
- Keshet will alert all individuals for whom we have contact information if we learn that they have been in close contact with another individual at Keshet who has tested positive for COVID-19
- While not always perfectly feasible, as a general rule individuals should try to maintain a minimum of 3 feet distance between each other.
- Keshet studios, bathrooms, and common areas will be deep cleaned regularly. High contact areas within studios will be disinfected between uses.
- Keshet will be emptying the lost & found on a monthly basis during this time
- The Keshet water fountain is currently for water bottle refill use only.

Dance Students/Any Individuals Using Studio Spaces:

- Face masks must completely cover the nose and mouth and be worn at all times while at Keshet. If a dancer's mask becomes saturated with moisture from breathing or sweat, they must change into a dry mask (bring multiple masks). Lone individuals in a studio (i.e. solo rehearsal) may be in the studio without a mask after they check in.
- Upon entering and leaving a studio, all individuals are encouraged to wash their hands or use sanitizer provided at the entrance of every studio
- In an effort to reduce the number of parents/visitors in the lobby, families are asked to limit the number of visitors who observe student/s in classes
 - when possible allow your student to enter and exit the building without additional accompaniment,
 - please arrive in the parking lot at least five minutes prior to the end of the scheduled class/rehearsal/event to reduce student waiting time in the lobby.

Audiences:

- Face masks are required to remain on throughout all performances and events.

Renters:

- All individuals joining for the rental activity must fully adhere to the policy guidelines in this document. If any individuals involved in the rental activities are not adhering to the stated protocols, Keshet will terminate the rental with no refunds provided.

IF / WHEN a case of COVID-19 is confirmed:

Individuals who have tested positive for or are experiencing symptoms for COVID-19, or are sharing a household with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19 should **notify their Keshet point of contact immediately and follow the applicable guidelines below.**

*For the purposes of these policies, procedures, and protocols, **Fully Vaccinated** is defined by the CDC as up to date with COVID-19 vaccinations as recommended by the CDC. (i.e., ≥ 2 weeks following receipt of the second dose in a 2-dose series, or ≥ 2 weeks following receipt of one dose of a single-dose vaccine).*

Isolation: If you are **sick and have tested positive for COVID-19** these are the Keshet guidelines for isolation while you are infectious.

- **Positive test results AND symptomatic:** Isolation should last at least 5 days after the onset of symptoms and first positive test results, and until fever-free for 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medications, and experiencing improvement of symptoms.
- **Positive test results AND asymptomatic:** For people who never had symptoms, the isolation period is 5 days after the date their first positive test was collected.
- If someone has a severe illness or severe immunosuppression, the isolation period should be extended to 10 days.
- A negative test is not required to determine when to end the isolation period; or does a negative test end the isolation period.

Quarantine: If you were in **close contact** with someone who has COVID-19, these are the Keshet guidelines:

- **Fully Vaccinated Individuals who have had close contact with a COVID-19 infectious individual/s:**
 - NOT required to quarantine.
 - It is recommended that you get tested for COVID-19 five days after exposure. If symptoms develop, then you should isolate and test immediately.

- **Non-Vaccinated individuals who have been in close contact with a **COVID-19 infectious individual/s.**
 - Close contacts with a confirmed case of COVID-19 are not permitted in Keshet for 5 days following their last exposure.
 - Exposed contacts should be tested at 5 days following the last exposure to a confirmed case.
 - For quarantine, the day of exposure (close contact) is day zero. Day one is the first day after exposure.
 - If the close contact has a positive result, isolation should be implemented as described above.
 - It is recommended that the individual get tested for COVID-19 five days after exposure if asymptomatic, and should isolate and test immediately if symptoms develop.**

- **Individuals (regardless of vaccination status) who are sharing a household with someone who has tested positive:**
 - Not permitted in the Keshet facility for 5 days and monitor for symptoms.
 - If no symptoms are experienced, individual may return to Keshet after 5 days.
 - If individual develops symptoms and/or tests positive for COVID-19, individual should follow isolation guidelines above.

If / when the Keshet team is notified of positive case of COVID-19 in our community:

- Keshet will alert all individuals for whom we have contact information if we learn that they have been in close contact with another individual at Keshet who has tested positive for COVID-19
- Keshet will close off any areas of the facility used by the person who is sick and will re-open those areas as soon as they have been cleaned and disinfected, following CDC guidelines for cleaning and disinfecting.

For any questions or concerns:

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