

## **Tips for a successful entrance audition for St. Lawrence College**

### **Audition Requirements:**

1. **Be prepared to sing two songs; one ballad and one up tempo.** Choose something that is appropriate to your character, personality type and age.

- If you are attending an in-person callback, bring your sheet music with you. An accompanist will be provided. Please do not bring a CD, tape or instrument.

2. **Prepare a 1 ½ minute monologue of your choice.** The monologue should be from a contemporary play that is age appropriate and not longer than a minute and a half.

3. **Perform a short dance combination and several foundational dance elements as described on the website and as demonstrated in the combo video.**

- If you are attending an in-person callback, you will work with our dance faculty in a group. Be sure to dress accordingly.

### **Preparation Tips**

- Have your music in a 1 inch, round ring binder, double sided for any in-person performance. Photocopied music is easier for an accompanist than bound songbooks.
- Try to keep your audition songs to about a minute each.  
1 minute = 32 bars in length (ballad) or 64 bars for an up-tempo
- Keep your presentation simple, with little to no staging of your audition pieces. We want to focus on you, your talent, and your potential.
- Choose material you connect with and truly love to perform so you can share that excitement with the panel.
- Take a moment by yourself to visualize your successful performance before you perform, so you can feel confident in what you are presenting.
- Take some deep breaths before to centre yourself before you perform.
- Dress neatly, as you would for a job interview, but please feel free to express yourself and show off what makes you unique.
- Practice in your shoes (especially if you are not used to wearing heels, for example) so there are no surprises when you perform..
- Wear appropriate clothes for dance and movement. If you don't have proper dance shoes, sneakers are fine. You should be able to move freely and feel confident and comfortable.