

The Dance Company Winter Recital Packet 2012

Our annual dance recital is fast approaching and it is very important that you are aware of everything that is involved in our dance show. Please make a note of the following:

The Dance Company's 2012 Ballet Production this year will be "Swan Lake"

Date: Saturday, February 4th, 2012

Along with our Ballet Production we will also be featuring all Lyrical and Performing Group Pieces. Not to mention our student choreographed pieces, also know as "Stars."

Tickets: Tickets will go on sale **Sunday, January 8, 2012 from 10:00a.m – 1:00p.m**

At The Dance Company in Studio A. Tickets are \$18.00 per ticket per person, theatre rules.

Picture Day- Sunday, January 15, 2012. The picture day lineup will be posted two weeks prior to picture day. Please make sure you reserve this day for pictures.

Dress Rehearsal & Recital: are on the same day. Below is the timeline for the day!!

THE DOWNEY THEATRE 8435 Firestone Blvd. Downey, Ca 90241

February 4th, 2012

1:00pm-2:00pm Arrival Time (Once all dancers are checked in we will begin Dress Rehearsal)

2:00p.m - 5:00p.m – Dress Rehearsal

5:00p.m – 6:00p.m – Dinner Break (you may bring your child a meal or take them for dinner)

6:00p.m – 7:00p.m – Call Time

7:00p.m – SHOW TIME

Show Parents: Will be assigned on an as needed basis. If you are interested in being a show parent please inform your teacher. Unfortunately we cannot accept all those who are interested in being a show parent.

Video Taping: There will be no video taping allowed. Our show will be professionally video taped.

Congratulatory Messages: The messages that you put in the program help pay for the programs so tell your child how proud you are of him/her by putting a message in our recital program!

Our traditional Two Line, text only, message may be placed in the program for a cost of \$7.00. Many parents and grandparents find this a simple and effective way to commemorate their children and grandchildren's progress and achievements. The deadline for the ads is **January 14, 2012.**

General Rules

Theater general rules are as follows:

- No smoking in the building at all.
- No food, drinks, or chewing gum in the theater areas. Designated areas only, no food in dressing rooms.
- All children must be supervised at all times.
- Keep all areas clean! If you see trash, pick it up and throw it away
- Be respectful to the staff members.
- No extra people are allowed backstage or in the dressing rooms!
- At the end of the show, please vacate theater property quickly.

Dancers:

- Keep tap shoes and mouths still while standing in line backstage.
- Stand quietly in your place in line while backstage so you hear any necessary instructions.
- Do not peek out of the curtains to see the audience – if you can see them, they can see you!
- No food or gum while in costume.
- Girls – no underwear with costumes. That is what tights are for.
- Pick up after yourself.
- No extra people allowed backstage or in the dressing rooms! Meet your friends and family members outside

The Dance Co.

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QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

“WHEN IS THE RECITAL?”

Saturday, February 4, 2012 at 7:00pm.

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The Downey Theatre 8435 Firestone Blvd. Downey, Ca 90241

“WHEN IS DRESS REHEARSAL?”

Saturday, February 4, at 2012 2:00p.m.

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“DOES MY CHILD HAVE TO WEAR HIS/HER COSTUME AND MAKEUP TO DRESS REHEARSAL?”

This is a dress rehearsal on stage to set the lighting. Your child should wear full costume and makeup. Costume should include all pieces to be worn on stage, including tights, proper shoes, and headpiece, if necessary. Makeup includes: red lips, pink cheeks, and eyeshadow. (Colors may be different per your teacher, check with him or her.)

“DOES MY CHILD HAVE TO ATTEND DRESS REHEARSAL?”

Yes, dress rehearsal is mandatory. It gives your child the opportunity to familiarize themselves with the stage and lighting, and perform their dance prior to the recital. Dress rehearsal will run in the exact order of the recital. As soon as your child's dance number is done, you may leave unless otherwise told. We cannot give you an exact time as we are at the mercy of the technicians.

“CAN PARENTS WATCH REHEARSAL?”

No, theater rules do not allow anyone except staff and dancers in the theater. Parents can wait in the outside the performers entrance.

“CAN WE VIDEO TAPE DRESS REHEARSAL?”

No, parents are not allowed in the theater during rehearsal. The Video Company will tape both shows and they do a fantastic job. It is worth the money spent.

“DO WE NEED TO PURCHASE TICKETS FOR THE RECITAL?”

Yes, everyone attending the recital must have a ticket

“WHERE CAN WE BUY TICKETS?”

Tickets can be purchased at The Dance Company. Do not wait until the last minute to purchase your tickets as we do sell out, and may not be able to seat your party together. It is assigned seating.

“WHAT TIME DO WE HAVE TO ARRIVE ON PERFORMANCE DAYS?”

All performers must arrive one (1) hour prior to performance time, unless otherwise instructed by directors, Donna Blanchard or Morgan Lightholder.

“IS MY CHILD SUPERVISED?”

All children/dancers are supervised. Show parents are assigned to each class, as well as back stage directors.

“WHERE DOES MY CHILD DRESS/CHANGE COSTUME?”

Dancers will be assigned a dressing room. The dancer's name will be listed on a dressing room door. **NO EXTRA PEOPLE ARE ALLOWED IN THE DRESSING ROOMS.** (Extra people include friends or family not performing).

“WHAT DO WE DO ABOUT FOOD AND DRINKS?”

There is no food, drinks, or chewing gum allowed in the theater or backstage areas. Moms/dads should provide a non-staining snack (grapes, plain crackers) and water to be eaten in the green room.

“CAN WE VIDEO TAPE OR TAKE PICTURES DURING THE RECITAL?”

Videotaping is **NOT ALLOWED.** The recital is professionally videotaped, and a tape can be ordered on the day of the performance. Also, videotapes may be pre-ordered prior to the show with a group order form – ten or more tapes. Get together with other parents in your class or any other classes that might be putting together an order. **NO FLASH** photography is allowed during the performance for the safety of the performers.

“WHEN DO I GIVE MY CONGRATULATORY GIFT?”

A formal curtain call will be done on stage. You can present your congratulatory gift/flowers in the garden courtyard located on the side of the theater.

“MY CHILD IS ONLY IN ONE NUMBER; DO WE HAVE TO STAY FOR THE FULL SHOW?”

Yes, you will check your child in and out at the “CHECK IN” table at the entrance of the stage door or in the garden area- wherever the theater tells us. All dancers have worked very hard on their dances and we are very proud of them. It is only fair that the theater remain full at the end of the show, as it was for your child. We will only check out children at the end of each performance, unless extreme circumstances are brought to our (Donna & Morgan) attention prior to the recital dates.

“DOES YOUR CHILD REQUIRE OR HAVE A SPECIAL NEED?”

This would include food, medication, allergies, etc. Please notify show moms/dads prior to dress rehearsal. If we have not answered all of your questions, please do not hesitate to ask us. We are here to make your recital experience an enjoyable one.