

Aspire Dance Studio 2017 Recital: *"The Gift Of Dance"*

INFORMATION AND GUIDELINES:

RECITAL BASIC INFO:

DATE: Sunday, June 18th

SHOWTIMES: 2pm & 7pm

LOCATION: Thousand Oaks Civic Arts Plaza, Forum Theater

*PARENTS AND DANCERS, PLEASE READ THROUGH THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION **VERY** CAREFULLY, AND CONTACT US IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS!*

TICKETS: ON SALE APRIL 25! Recital tickets are \$28 (this price does not include theater or ticketmaster surcharge fees). *All audience members need a ticket, regardless of age (this is a theater policy). We kindly ask that you do not bring any children under age 3 to the show, as they often have trouble sitting through the show, and can sometimes distract the audience members.* Tickets are reserved seating. We suggest you purchase your tickets as soon as possible to get the best seats available! Tickets are available starting April 25th at the Thousand Oaks Civic Arts Plaza Box Office, and online through ticketmaster. Theater box office hours are Tuesday-Sunday from 12-5pm, or call (805)449-ARTS. Tickets are also available through ticketmaster by calling 1(800)745-3000 or online at www.ticketmaster.com (note: ticketmaster has slightly higher surcharge fees).

SHOW 1 & SHOW 2: 2pm show & 7pm show. We have 2 shows again this year! **Show 1 at 2pm includes:** Creative Movement class, Ballet/Tap classes, Jazz/Hip Hop classes, Level 3 classes, Level 4 classes, Teen classes, Musical Theater class, Modern class, and Company dancers. **Show 2 at 7pm includes:** Level 1 classes, Level 2 classes, Level 3 classes, Level 4 classes, Teen classes, Musical Theater class, Modern class, and Company dancers. See the list on the board for which show(s) your dancer is in. Let us know if you have any questions!

RECITAL COSTUMES: Recital costumes and tights are only to be worn for **PICTURE DAY, TECH/DRESS REHEARSAL, and the RECITAL.** After the recital is over, the costume is yours to keep! On the board, you can find a costume sheet with the details for each class costume. This explains what color tights should be worn for each costume, shoes, accessories, hair, etc. Please do not wear your recital tights to class— save them for picture day, dress rehearsal, and the recital. Dance shoes may be worn to classes—they do not need to be new.

PARENT INFO MEETING: **MONDAY, APRIL 17 from 5:30-6:30pm at ASPIRE DANCE STUDIO.** We will be holding an informational meeting for all parents at Aspire Dance Studio on Monday April 17 from 5:30-6:30pm (the studio is closed for classes that day for the last day of Spring Break—but we will hold the meeting). The meeting will cover all the important information about the recital, and all recital events. It is crucial you attend so that we can answer any questions that you have and make sure everyone gets all the info. The PARENT INFO MEETING IS MANDATORY FOR AT LEAST 1 PARENT FROM EACH FAMILY. Dancers are welcome to attend as well!

TECH & DRESS REHEARSAL: **JUNE 14TH at the CIVIC ARTS PLAZA SCHERR FORUM THEATER.** Tech/Dress rehearsal will take place at the Forum Theater (at Civic Arts Plaza) on Wednesday, June 14, from approximately 3-11pm. Tech/Dress Rehearsal is vital for the dancers to practice their dance on stage in costume, and also for the technical crew to prepare lighting and sound for the show. *The younger dancers will have their tech times earlier in the day, and they **do not** have to stay that entire time!* All dancers will need to be in full hair and makeup. A detailed schedule of Tech/Dress Rehearsal will be given out as we get closer to the date. **TECH/DRESS REHEARSAL IS MANDATORY FOR ALL DANCERS.**

**During tech/dress rehearsal, all dancers are allowed to come and sit in the audience to view the other dances that will be performing in the show. This is the only time that they will be able to do so, because during entire duration of the show ALL dancers must remain backstage. Only parents of dancers ages 8 and under will be allowed to remain in the theater during the rehearsal. This is a theater policy.*

PICTURE DAYS: **JUNE 15TH & 16TH AT ASPIRE DANCE STUDIO.** Our picture days are on Thursday, June 15th, and Friday, June 16th at Aspire Dance Studio. We will hand out a schedule with specific class picture times for each class. Each class will take a picture together in their costume, and each dancer also has the option to take individual pictures (and buddy pictures) in each of their class costumes as well. Their pictures will be taken by a professional photography company, and different picture packages will be available for purchase through the company. Picture rates and packages will be handed out with the picture day schedule. All female dancers must wear their hair in a high bun for all class pictures, and makeup (*light makeup for younger dancers*). **PICTURE DAY IS MANDATORY FOR ALL DANCERS.**

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MAKE-UP AND HAIR:

WE HAVE FULL INSTRUCTIONAL MAKE-UP and HAIR TUTORIAL VIDEOS ONLINE!!! They can be found under the "Current Students" tab on our website www.aspiredancestudio.com , and also on our YouTube page www.youtube.com/user/aspiredancestudio . **FULL HAIR AND MAKEUP IS REQUIRED FOR PICTURE DAY, TECH/DRESS REHEARSAL, AND EACH SHOW.**

MAKE-UP: Every dancer (including children!) need to wear **FULL STAGE make-up** during the show. Stage makeup allows the features of the face to be seen from far away, and not get washed out by stage lighting. They'll need foundation, powder, heavy mascara, blush, and eyeshadow (a dark brown or grey on the eyelid, and a light creme or white on the upper part of the eye up to the brow bone). False eyelashes are suggested. RED lipstick with lip liner is essential. ***Make-up and hair must be done BEFORE THE DANCER ARRIVES FOR THE SHOW.*** Only touch-ups should be done after warm-up and before the show. Please see our video tutorial to learn exactly how to apply stage makeup.

HAIR: Hair will be the same for every dancer, and for every dance in the show. This is to make quick changes easier for all. The required hairstyle is a HIGH BUN. The bun should be pulled to the *top of the head*, and secured with *more than one hair band*, MANY bobby pins, and a *hair net*. Hair should be secure and not move at all when the dancer dances. Please make sure to use a good amount of gel and hairspray in order to keep the hair in place. There should be no fly- aways or loose strands of hair. *All head pieces MUST be bobby-pinned into the hair as well, even if it already has a clip in it.* All headpieces must be bobby pinned securely into the hair so they remain steady while the dancer is dancing. Please see our video tutorial to learn exactly how to do the performance hair bun.

RULES FOR THE SHOW:

- 1. WATCHING FROM BACKSTAGE:** *Only the dance that is performing next* will be allowed to watch from the wings. ***You will not be allowed on the stage unless your dance number is next.***
- 2. CHECK-IN/CHECK OUT:** Each dancer will be checked in when they arrive. All dancers ages 12 and under will need to be checked in and out by a parent. Dancers age 6 and older (Levels 1-4, Teen, and Company dancers) must be checked in **AT LEAST 1 hour and 30 minutes** before the show. Dancers ages 2-5 (Creative Movement, Ballet/Tap & Jazz/Hip Hop) must be checked in **1 hour** before the show.
- 3. WARM UP: 12:45pm (for the 2pm show) & 5:45pm (for the 7pm show)**
We will do a group warm-up for all Teen, Level 1, Level 2, Level 3, Level 4, and Company dancers. The warm up will begin at **12:45pm for the 2pm show and 5:45pm for the 7pm show**. Warm-up will be 30-45 minutes on the stage, in order to warm up the dancers to be prepared to do their best, and to avoid injuries. Doors will open for the audience at the end of warm-up.
- 4. INTERMISSION:** *During intermission all dancers must remain backstage!*
- 5. BACKSTAGE:** All dancers will be assigned to a certain dressing room depending on their age and the amount of dances that they are in. We will have professional nannies and caretakers backstage in the dressing rooms with the younger dancers. ***ALL DANCERS ARE TO REMIAN BACKSTAGE FOR THE ENTIRE SHOW.*** Please pack activities, books, snacks, and water with your dancers to help keep them busy backstage in the dressing room while they are not dancing. *Please pack games and snacks that will not stain or soil their costumes.*
****All dancers ages 12 and younger must be checked out by their parents before they are released at the end of the recital!***
- 6. TAKING PICTURES AND FILMING THE SHOW:** *The theater does **not** allow PHOTOGRAPHY OR FILMING during the show, as it distracts other audience members.* We will have a professional videographer there who will film the show, and DVD's will be available for purchase.

WE THANK ALL OUR DANCERS FOR ALL THEIR HARD WORK, and all the Aspire families for their support!
WE ARE SO GRATEFUL TO HAVE YOU AS A PART OF THE ASPIRE FAMILY!
WE LOOK FORWARD TO ANOTHER WONDERFUL PERFORMANCE!