

Dear Parents & Dancers:

We are busy preparing for our twelfth annual winter shows! We are so excited to get started and are excited about some new music and choreography being created! If you are new to the studio, or even if you aren't, sometimes these performances can be overwhelming. We will do our best to explain things, but please ask questions if you are feeling lost!

WHAT IS THE WINTER SHOW?

The winter show is a story dance to winter/Christmas music, similar to the Nutcracker but incorporating all the styles of dance. This show gives the dancers another LARGE performing opportunity and continues to enhance their dance skills. I've worked with many groups over the years, and this type of production creates a bond between the dancers and improves their dance abilities. We will work on the dances during regular dance classes, so it is an opportunity to learn regardless if the student is participating in the actual performance. What a great opportunity for our dancers!! Each age group will do one dance in the various styles. We have a ballet cast made up of Grade 6-12 dancers and ALL the studio dancers are involved to tell the story. The costumes are simple and most are provided by the studio.



Shows are scheduled for Saturday, January 26, 2019 at 1:00pm & 5:30pm. Show times are approximate and will be finalized in early January.

IS MY DANCER PARTICIPATING?

Yes! We assume all dancers are performing in the Winter Show **UNLESS YOU NOTIFY US BY December 10, 2018**. If your dancer is unable to participate please email ali@danceendeavors.com. This helps us make sure all dancers have costumes and assists with choreography! Preschool and K-1 combo dancers are assigned to ONE show, all other dancers are in BOTH shows. Dance Endeavors will provide most costumes for you to borrow for the show and the cost associated with costumes is included with the performance fee. Families will need to provide costume basics, such as leotards, tights and dance shoes. A list with specific costumes by song will be available in early January. Show assignments are as follows:

Preschool & K-1 Show A (time TBA):

Mon 4:15 Preschool (Gretchen)
Mon 5:00 K-1 (Gretchen)
Tues 1:00 Preschool (Juli)
Wed 5:45 Preschool (Christina)
Wed 6:30 K-1 (Christina)

Preschool & K-1 Show B (time TBA):

Tues 5:45 Preschool (Allison)
Tues 5:45 K-1 (Devin)
Thurs 5:30 Preschool (Rachel)
Thurs 6:15 K-1 (Jessica)
Sat 9:00 Preschool (Allison)
Sat 9:45 K-1 (Allison)

K-1 Lyrical, Acro, Hip Hop & ALL Grades 2-5: BOTH shows

IS THERE A FEE?

Our winter show performance fees vary by age. The price is based on average rehearsal time for each age group and includes rehearsals, costume maintenance, theatre expenses, staffing, and more. The performance fee also includes two show tickets, a show t-shirt, and a high-resolution download of the Winter Shows. DVD's will also be available for a nominal fee.

Preschool-1st grade: \$55

Grade 2-5: \$70

WHEN DO DANCERS REHEARSE?

A rehearsal and performance schedule is included with this information. Most rehearsals will be in class, but there are THREE extra rehearsals – two Saturdays, and one Thursday (see schedule). Since the classes are merged together the extra rehearsals give us a chance to practice together. Please try to put rehearsals high on the priority list so all the dancers can be confident on stage! Students gain the experience and excitement of the performance. I have tried my best not to make them too time consuming for families.

CAN I HELP?

Our **volunteer** costume parents have been busy working since October and there is a lot more work to do to get costumes ready! If you are interested in helping email kelly@danceendeavors.com. Sewing is not required!! We also need volunteer help on show days with ushering and concession & flower sales. Watch for an email with electronic sign-ups. Moms and dads are both encouraged to help!!

HOW DO I GET TICKETS?

Tickets are \$18.00 and are assigned seats. Tickets are purchased online and will be available for sale the first week of January. Please watch for information with your ticket code and more!

PRESCHOOL-GRADE 5 REHEARSAL SCHEDULE 2019:

- ✓ We will do our best to run on time, but please remember that dancers may get out a bit early or a bit late depending upon how rehearsals go.
- ✓ Rehearsal Saturdays and Thursdays at the studio are CROWDED! Please consider carpooling and leaving extra family members at home if possible. Bring your patience hat and know the dancers are having the time of their lives rehearsing! Thank you for your patience and understanding.

Saturday, Jan 5th (no costumes)

(there are no regular classes this day, only winter show rehearsals)

9:00-9:45am PK /K1 Combo Show A

9:45-10:30am PK /K1 Combo Show B

10:30-11:00am K3 Acro/2-5 Acro/ 2-5 HipHop

11:00am-12:00pm K1 Lyrical/Grade 2-3 Tap/Ballet/Jazz/Lyrical

12:00-12:30pm Grade 4/5 Tap/Ballet/Jazz

12:30-1:00pm Grade 4/5 Lyrical/Danceline

Saturday, Jan 12th (no costumes)

(All regular Saturday classes WILL be held along with winter show rehearsals)

9:00-9:45am PK /K1 Combo Show A

9:45-10:30am PK /K1 Combo Show B

10:30-11:00am K3Acro/2-5Acro/2-5HipHop

9:00-10:00am K1 Lyrical/Grade 2-3 Tap/Ballet/Jazz/Lyrical

10:00-10:30am Grade 4/5 Tap/Ballet/Jazz

11:00-11:30am Grade 4/5 Lyrical/Danceline

Thursday, Jan 24th (no costumes)

(there are no regular classes this day, only winter show rehearsals)

4:30-5:15pm PK Show A/K1 Combo Show B

5:15-6:00pm PK Show B/K1 Combo Show A

6:00-6:30pm K3 Acro/2-5 Acro/ 2-5 HipHop

4:30-5:30pm K1 Lyrical/Grade 2-3 Tap/Ballet/Jazz/Lyrical

5:30-6:00pm Grade 4/5 Tap/Ballet/Jazz

6:30-7:00pm Grade 4/5 Lyrical/Danceline

Friday, Jan 25th DRESS REHEARSAL AT MASONIC HERITAGE THEATER IN BLMGTN.

Begins at 4:30pm. We start with the PK & K-1 Combo & K-1 Lyrical classes and then run dances in show order.

Saturday, Jan 26th WINTER SHOWS AT MASONIC HERITAGE THEATER IN BLMGTN.

Tentative times 1:00pm and 5:30pm, but exact times will be finalized soon!

We are so excited to provide this opportunity for your children! The past has shown they will have a wonderful time, learn a lot, and get that stage presence going!! Thanks for allowing us to work with these wonderful kids!

Juli & the amazing DE Team