



Recital Information

We are excited to offer our dancers the opportunity to showcase what they've learned this session in front of a large audience. Youth dancers have the *option* of performing in the recital. We encourage the dancers to participate to increase their self-confidence and showcase their talents! You may be wondering, "*what is involved in order to participate in the recital?*" Please take a moment to read over the frequently asked questions below. More detailed information will be handed out with costumes in April.

1. When and where is the recital?

Dress Rehearsal: Friday, May 6th, 5:30-9p

Recital: Saturday, May 7th.

Students arrive 12:30p

Doors open at 1:00p

Show runs approx. 1:30-3:30p

Recital and Dress Rehearsal are at:
Novi High School Auditorium
24062 Taft Road
Novi, MI 48375

*****Pre-Ballet students will receive specific details with their costume regarding arrival times for both rehearsal and recital.**

PARKING: Please use the lot by the tennis courts. Walk to the circular drive entrance and the auditorium entrance is on your left.

In order to participate, dancers must be able to attend dress rehearsal AND the recital. We will begin dress rehearsal with the final bows with all recital participants, followed by the recital lineup. Students may leave after their last routine at dress rehearsal. It is extremely important that all dancers arrive on time.

Parents may choose to stay during dress rehearsal, or may simply drop off and pick up their dancers.

We ask that parents are NOT backstage due to the number of people involved. Dancers are welcome to bring snacks and water, but must have them when they arrive. Snacks can NOT be dropped off or walked backstage. Mid American Studio Teachers and Staff, as well as several volunteers will be supervising the dancers during this time. A lineup of the routines will be included with your child's costume in April.

Backstage: Dancers with multiple costume changes will be in dressing rooms. Dancers who do not require costume changes will be supervised in a general area. This area will include any boys participating in the recital. Dancers are encouraged to bring games, cards, homework, etc. We will have a TV monitor with a DVD playing to keep the younger dancers occupied while they are not on stage. Parents are not allowed backstage. The Mid American Studio staff members will be in the dressing and general areas. We have also arranged for volunteers to help backstage with costume changes, hair and make up, etc. The show moves along very quickly, and the dressing rooms get very crowded when there are parents in addition to all of our dancers.

2. What do the dancers wear?

Dancers will wear a uniform look, however, the staff members strive to select dancewear that can comfortably be worn in the future to class or other fitness activities. Some selections include just the costume top, and require the dancer to provide their own bottoms, such as black pants, blue jeans, etc. This is noted on the attached price list. If there are no additional pieces listed, this means that the costume price includes the top and bottom. Some costumes also have additional pieces included such as hats, leg warmers, suspenders, etc. The attached form has the prices for each of your child's costumes. Costumes need to be ordered by **February 12th** if your child will be participating in the recital. Any questions on costumes and shoes should be addressed at the front desk. If you are in need of shoes or jazz pants for the recital, please be sure to purchase / order them with enough time to ensure that you have them for the recital. ****Costumes ordered**

after February 12th will have a late fee to cover individual shipping and handling, and will only be ordered once the costume company has verified that we can get it in time for the recital.**

3. How do I get tickets?

Two recital tickets are included in your Recital Fee (paid with your costume order). You will be able to add tickets to your order at a later date at a cost of \$8 per ticket. You will receive separate detailed information on the ticket process.

4. What is the recital fee?

There is a \$45 per family recital fee (if you have more than one child participating, you will only pay one \$45 recital fee). This fee includes TWO recital tickets, and covers things such as the rental of the auditorium; professional sound and light technicians for the recital; insurance for the event; printing of tickets and programs; processing, ordering, and distributing costumes, etc. Every family will receive the FULL recital DVD **as a part** of their recital fee. In past years, the DVD was sold separately for \$30 in addition to the recital fee. We have negotiated a fantastic rate by doing it this way and are able to provide every student with a wonderful memory of their performance(s). Pask Video Productions will be producing our recital DVD.

DVDs can be picked up at the Studio during business hours once they are completed. You will receive an email reminder when the DVDs are ready.

THE ATTACHED FORM NEEDS TO BE TURNED IN NO LATER THAN
FEBRUARY 12th IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN THE RECITAL.

Please turn in the form marked 'NO' if you are not participating.

To make sure that all dancers who intend to participate are accounted for, we will contact anyone who we do not have a form for on February 12th.

Please help us to avoid calling by returning this form in a timely manner.

Thank you! We are looking forward to the remainder of the session with your child!

REMINDERS

MARK YOUR CALENDAR...

- **Parent Viewing Week: 3/28-4/2**
Join us for the last 10 minutes of class.
- **Spring Break (NO YOUTH CLASSES) 4/4-4/9**
- **Picture Day (tentative): 4/23**

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