

RECITAL SURVIVAL GUIDE 2024

DPA PRESENTS
“ICONS”



2024 Recital Performances

Wednesday, June 5

Thursday, June 6

Friday, June 7

At the Keating Theater in

Kirkwood High School

Doors open at 6:30pm

Shows at 7pm

MANDATORY WEEKS

PICTURES AND DRESS REHEARSAL

May 20 - 23

At DPA

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COSTUME PICK UP

May 13 - 16

At DPA



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RECITAL HOTLINE

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS
REGARDING RECITALS, PLEASE
REACH OUT TO OUR FAMILY
EXPERIENCE COORDINATOR
MEGAN AT dpa.megant@gmail.com

TICKET GENERAL INFORMATION

ALL TICKETS MUST BE PICKED UP AT WILL CALL AT THE THEATER

- All families that paid 1 recital fee (you have 1 dancer participating in recital)
 - Receive 4 tickets per family (each ticket can be used once for any night)
- All families that paid 2 or more recital fees (you have 2 or more dancers participating in recital)
 - Receive 5 tickets per family (each ticket can be used once for any night)
- Doors open at 6:30 (show at 7:00) - **WILL CALL OPENS AT 6**
- Seating at recitals is GENERAL ADMISSION
- Everyone attending the show must have a ticket
 - Ages 2 and under do not need a ticket if sitting in a lap

TICKET LINK AND PICK UP INFORMATION

[Recital Ticket Link](#)

- Additional tickets may be purchased in advance online for \$10 (fees apply).
- Tickets purchased online must still be picked up at will call before the show.
- **TICKETS PRINTED AT HOME WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AT THE DOOR.**
- Tickets may also be purchased at the ticket table for \$12 before the show.

WILL CALL OPENS AT 6pm TO PICK UP OR PURCHASE TICKETS

COSTUME PICK UP WEEK

May 13 - 16 @ DPA

- Please check in with the front desk to receive your costumes
- If your costume has not come in yet for any reason, we will notify you, and let you know when it has arrived for pick up.
- REMINDER that tights ARE included with all costumes that need them
- Make sure to have a nude leotard or dance bra/appropriate undergarments for your costumes!

[CLICK HERE TO SEE YOUR COSTUMES!](#)

PICTURE/DRESS REHEARSAL PROCEDURES

May 20-23 - [Schedule HERE](#)

THESE
ARE BOTH
AT DPA!

PICTURES (In Room 7)

- Group photos are required to take, but no purchase is necessary.
- Individual photos are encouraged, but not required.
- Please arrive 15 minutes before your scheduled picture time **READY TO GO**.
- Group photos are taken first, followed by individuals in that costume should you want those.
- Combo classes will take a group photo in each costume (ballet/tap/jazz).
- You need the correct tights and shoes for each costume. ([see below](#))

HAIR AND MAKEUP

- Performance hair and makeup are required for pictures for pre-k and kids classes. ([see below](#))
- Hair for Leveled classes, Teams, and Adults are asked to wear their hair down and styled nicely.

DRESS REHEARSALS (Room 8)

***DRESS REHEARSALS ARE CLOSED.
NO SPECTATORS ALLOWED.***

- Immediately following your pictures, you will have dress rehearsal in room 8.
- Classes that had their hair down for pictures will be asked to throw it into a quick ponytail for the dress run.
- After you finish your dress rehearsal, you are free to leave or go get changed for your next class.
- **Combo classes** will need to change tights, shoes, accessories, and hair (if applicable) for each dance.
 - Dancers will take their picture first followed by practicing their dance and will change for each style.
 - Your tights and accessories are provided in your costume bag.

DRESSING ROOMS (Rooms 5 and 6 for girls and Staff Bathroom for boys)

- Girls in Pre-K, and Kids Classes change in room 5 & Leveled Classes change in room 6.
- All students under 5th grade may have 1 female chaperone to assist them with costume changes.

RECITAL HAIR AND MAKEUP

RECITAL HAIR (please check picture/dress rehearsal slide for those hair directions)

- Pre-K Classes - out of the face, ponytail or bun if possible for ballet (no wispies)
- All Kids and Leveled Classes - middle part, slick down to low ponytail (no wispies)
- All Ballet Classes - keep the same middle part, slicked down, but change ponytail to bun (no wispies)
 - There will be teachers available to help.
- All hair accessories go on the right side of the ponytail/bun.

MAKEUP - ALL PERFORMERS - PICTURE SAMPLE [HERE](#)

- Eye shadow, mascara, blush, and lipstick are a must! (Eyeliner for 2nd grade & under is optional)
- Please use neutral brown tones for the eyes with black mascara, rosy cheeks and a wine colored lipstick (no red).
- No colored nail polish.
- Our Pre-K classes may feel free to wear eye makeup, but it is not required. However, please use blush and a wine/burgundy colored lipstick (no red lips please).

MAKEUP FOR PERFORMANCE GROUPS

- Performance groups should wear their normal performance makeup (including lashes for recitals).

TIGHTS AND SHOES

TIGHTS

REMINDER one pair of tights is provided for EACH class

- Ballet - Pink for ALL
- Jazz and Musical Theater - Tan for ALL
- Tap - Tan for combo classes
- Tap Levels 1-5 - Black
- Tumbling - Tan Stirrup for ALL
- Contemporary - Tan Stirrup for ALL
- Hip Hop - Tan (if applicable)
- No tights for Drama/Voice

SHOES

ALL SHOES ARE PROVIDED BY DANCER

- Ballet shoes - Pink for ALL ballet
- Jazz and Musical Theater - Tan jazz shoes for ALL (unless asked to have heels)
- Tap - Tan tap shoes for combo classes
- Tap Levels 1-5 - Black lace tap shoes
- Tumbling & Contemporary - Barefoot for ALL
- Hip Hop - Clean Tennis Shoes
 - Kids - Black
 - Level 1 - Black OR White
 - Level 2 & 3 - White
- Drama/Voice - dress shoes from home

SHOW ORDERS

RECITAL ORDERS AND DROP OFF/PICK UP PROCEDURES

- Performers need to be dropped off by **6:00pm** on their show night in their dressing room.
- Doors to the theater open at **6:30pm** for audience members.
- Seating is NOT ASSIGNED and is GENERAL ADMISSION.
 - *Families of our Graduating Seniors will be contacted about their reserved seating.*
- Everyone attending the show must have a ticket (ages 2 and under do not need a ticket if sitting in a lap).

TICKET INFO REMINDER!

- Make sure to allow time to pick up your tickets at will call.
- Will call opens at 6pm.
- Tickets purchased [online](#) in advance are \$10 each (fees apply).
 - These must also be picked up at will call, NOT printed at home.
- Tickets purchased at the door are \$12 (fees apply for cc payments)

YES. Buying your tickets in advance online will save you money!!

**DON'T
MISS
THIS!**

- Once you are seated, please remain in your seat. If you need to get up, please do so between dances and not during. We will have a 15 minute intermission each night.
- Following the bows of the show, all students will return to their dressing rooms to gather their belongings. If you have a dancer in the PURPLE dressing room (pre-k/elementary), you will need to meet them at the dressing room to check them out with your lanyard. If you have a dancer in the TEAL dressing room (middle/high school/adult), they can meet you in the lobby. (More details on dressing rooms on the following slides.)

ALL DANCERS ARE REQUIRED TO STAY FOR THE ENTIRETY OF THE SHOW AND PARTICIPATE IN BOWS.

DANCERS WILL BE DISMISSED AFTER BOWS.

Our shows run approximately 2 hours.

DRESSING ROOMS ON RECITAL NIGHTS

PURPLE DRESSING ROOM: PRE-K THROUGH 5TH GRADE STUDENTS

Every child in the purple dressing room may have one female chaperone to assist them with their costume changes. The chaperone and student will receive matching lanyards. This lanyard gives the chaperone entrance in and out of the dressing room to help your child change costumes and to be picked up after the show.

Your matching lanyards will be received when you drop off your child at the purple dressing room and sign them in. We recommend putting your child's lanyard in their dance bag so they don't lose it.

You MUST have your matching lanyard to pick up your child.

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- *ALL STUDENTS* **MUST** REMAIN IN THE DRESSING ROOM UNTIL THE END OF THE SHOW AFTER BOWS.
- STUDENTS **CANNOT** GO INTO THE AUDIENCE DURING THE SHOW.

We will have staff and volunteers to watch them, but please pack them some activities to do.

ALL students participate in bows.

TEAL DRESSING ROOM: MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL/ADULT STUDENTS

- These dancers must sign themselves in and out of their dressing room on the sign in sheet taped to the door.
- **NO DANCERS** ARE ALLOWED TO LEAVE AND SIT IN THE AUDIENCE DURING RECITALS.
- DANCERS **MUST** STAY IN THEIR ASSIGNED DRESSING ROOM.

BOYS DRESSING ROOM: THE ROOM NEXT TO THE TEAL DRESSING ROOM

RECITAL SHOW LINKS

2024 Recital Links were paid for with your recital fees this year and will be shared with you.

We are excited to welcome Pirate Pictures to film our shows this year!

Pre-Orders for Hippos/Ads For Program

DUE MAY 10

***Example
picture is on
the order
form***

RECITAL HIPPOS ORDER FORM

Available for pre-order through May 10, for \$20 each.
They will be ready for pick up at recital.

All extras will be sold at the theater, but quantities will be limited.

ADS/GOOD LUCK MESSAGES FOR PROGRAM ORDER FORM

You can always place an ad or a good luck message in our program!
Prices range from \$10 to \$50 depending on the type of ad selected.
Ad copy and payments are due no later than May 10.

FLOWERS THIS YEAR

Bring any flowers you'd like to give to your dancer(s)!

FINAL REMINDERS

- Arrive at ALL recital events EARLY!
 - If you are running behind, please **text** the studio phone to let us know.
 - 636-458-6605
- No colored nail polish or jewelry
- No undergarments (nude leotards allowed)
- Make a checklist of all your costumes, shoes, and accessories and **label** all of your costume pieces and shoes! We cannot return lost items to you if you do not label them with your dancer's name.
- Keep track of all your belongings from Picture and Dress Rehearsal Day to the Final Performances.

QUESTIONS?

Call 636-458-6605

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