

## RECITAL INFORMATION

**Costume Care?** When receiving your costume please do not eat or play in it, once your show is finished this costume is yours to keep and you can do whatever you want! If your costume is wrinkled from the garment bag please hang it in the bathroom and allow for the steam from the shower to get out any wrinkles. You can also use a garment steamer, but please don't use an iron since that will melt most of these materials. If you have a hair accessory, please put that on the right side of the head near the bun. All hair accessories will be checked at dress rehearsal. All Dancers will need the proper undergarments please check our website recital page or your emails for that information. <https://thedancecenterla.com/recital-information/>

**Where do I go?** Edward Little High School is located at 77 Harris St. in Auburn. Free parking available in the front of the building.

**What time should I come to the theater for the LIVE SHOWS?** For dancers ages 2 to 10 (Intro to Dance through level 2) please arrive 30 minutes before the show begins, in full costume, with hair and makeup done. Ages 11 and up (levels 3 through 5) please stay tuned for the timing of a warm up on The Edward Little stage. Any adult dancers are also welcome to join the warm-up.

**Where do I find all of the show times and Dress rehearsal schedule?** You will find a complete list of show times and Dress Rehearsal schedule on our website on the recital information page. <https://thedancecenterla.com/recital-information/>

**What time should I come to the theater for DRESS REHEARSAL?** Please refer to the dress rehearsal schedule on the website (your scheduled time is listed in the far right column for example 5:15 @ ELHS) to know the day and the time of when your dancer will be rehearsing at the theater. Please arrive 20 minutes prior to your dancers scheduled time ready to go in costume with hair and make up ready. All classes will block and run their recital piece once and have a 10 minute time slot.

**I'm a volunteer, what do I do?** Thank you for volunteering. You will be helping for dress rehearsal during your class's scheduled time and for the entire live performance that you have been assigned to. Please be on the lookout for the volunteer instruction sheet and emails that will be sent to you.

**What about tickets?** There are still tickets available, please visit our website to purchase. There will be digital copies of each recital show for sale, release date to be announced in June.

**Can I watch the dress rehearsal?** Yes, we encourage you to be there for dress rehearsal to watch your dancer. Although we ask that only immediate family be there. This will be the opportunity to take photos and videos. No cell phone use, videography, or photography will be allowed during the live performances.

**Can I leave the show early in between pieces or during intermission?** We ask that you stay for the entire show as it is bad audience etiquette to leave *during* a show, and it is not

very considerate to the students and teachers who have worked very hard to produce a full-length show. Audience members arriving late or leaving during the show will not be permitted to sit in the lower section of the audience and must sit in the upper corner of the auditorium.

**Can I leave in between the live shows?** Yes, dancers and volunteers may leave in between shows as long as you can be back in time, in other words a half an hour before the show begins. Level 4 and under can not stay unsupervised at the high school between shows. Staff will not be supervising any of the dancers between the shows.

**What time should I pick up my Intro to Dance or Technique Student?** We are asking that all Intro to Dance and Technique students be picked up by a Guardian during Intermission. Your dancer will be in the upper right corner of the auditorium, sitting with volunteer parents and staff.

We highly encourage you to bring your dancer back to your seat to watch the second half of the show (on your lap, but you are also welcome to purchase them a ticket). At the end of the show, we will announce the curtain call in the auditorium and we would love to have your dancer be part of that on stage! If your dancer does participate in curtain call, you will pick them up from a Dance Center Staff member in the cafeteria.

**What time should I pick up my Level 1 through 5 Student?** We highly encourage that level 1 through 5 dancers while not performing on stage watch the show from the back of the auditorium with their class and stay for the entirety of the show with the volunteer parents. There will also be a curtain call at the end of the show, that we would love to see them participate in. Once the show is finished, your dancer can be picked up from a staff member or volunteer in the cafeteria.

**Is there anything else I need to bring for my child?** Yes, it would be helpful to bring snacks that are costume friendly (not messy to protect the costumes). Pretzels, fruit snacks, etc. and water. The studio will provide coloring pages and crayons, but dancers are also welcome to bring tablets.

**What about hair and make-up?** Hair and make-up needs to be done before entering Edward Little High School. Youtube is a great resource for a “ballet bun” and “ballet stage make-up”. Please do not do a pageant look and let us know if you have any questions.

**How long will the show run?** All shows will run approximately 2 hours. This is an estimated time and these times could be impacted by unforeseen circumstances. There will be a 15 minute intermission in each show. Please plan to use the restroom ahead of time prior to the show or during intermission. We also ask that if you need to leave please don't stand and exit during a recital piece.

**What about costumes and accessories?** Most of the costumes come with a hair accessory and should be worn on the right side of the bun. Please do not worry, we will help to answer any questions regarding costuming at dress rehearsal.

**Will there be a professional photographer and videographer?** Yes, there will be both a professional photographer and videographer this year.

The Photographer will take individual photos, Friday May 15 at the studio. Brittney Lohmiller is a professional wedding photographer and Ballet LA's company photographer. Please keep an eye out for an email with specific times, for May 15. She will also be taking group photos at dress rehearsal.

There will be a professional videographer at each show and a digital purchase of the recital will be available sometime in June.

**Can I take photos or videos during the live performances?** No, there will be a professional videographer for all shows (please see prior question). It is dangerous to the dancers and disruptive to the audience. Please be considerate of this rule. You are free to take personal pictures and videos during dress rehearsals.

**What happens if I am late for the beginning of the show, intermission, or need to step out during the show?** Audience members arriving late or leaving/ stepping out during the show will not be permitted to sit in the lower section of the audience and must sit in the upper corner of the auditorium.