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Spring Recital 2019 *What you Need to Know at a Glance*

It's that time of year again! Spring Recital 2019 is nearly upon us! This FAQ Sheet will help you understand what to expect with our recital this year at Expressions Dance!

The Basics

Dates: Friday, June 7, 2019

Saturday, June 8, 2019

Location: Joan B Kroc Theater
6611 University Ave.
San Diego, CA 92115

Time: Show 1: Friday, June 7, 6:00 PM

Show 2: Saturday, June 8, 10:00 AM

Show 3: Saturday, June 8, 2:00 PM

Show 4: Saturday, June 8, 6:00 PM



Is there additional cost to perform in the recital?

Yes, there is a performance fee of \$65/student that will be due March 15. Families with two or more students will pay \$40 for siblings. Each student will receive a recital shirt, recital bag, access to digital photos and DVD digital download of the recital. Each recital show is professionally filmed and photographed. We take great care to capture the memories of your child's special performance!

What should I know about my account status?

Your account must be current, including payment of June tuition, by June 5 to perform. Families in danger of having

past due accounts will be contacted in May to resolve balances.

Is there a dress rehearsal?

All classes except for Tippy Toes, Tiny Tappers and Twirling Tots will participate in dress rehearsals. Classes will be assigned specific time slots. A schedule will be posted in May.

Dress rehearsals are CLOSED; parents are not allowed into the theater. Only Expressions Staff and trained volunteers will be admitted to rehearsal.

How do I know in which show my child dances?

Our Spring Recital consists of 4 distinct shows. Recital show assignments are available on our website and in studio. The final line-ups for each show will be available in April and will be posted at the studio and on our website. Be sure you know which show(s) your child is in before you purchase tickets.

What if my dancer is scheduled to perform in multiple shows?

All children's classes will only perform in one show. All other classes will perform in two shows. Students who are scheduled to perform in two consecutive shows (2 & 3 or 3 & 4) will stay in the dressing rooms between shows.

How do I buy tickets?

All recital tickets will be sold online beginning Saturday, April 27 at 9:00 am through the day of the recital. Tickets will be purchased through Dance Recital Ticketing. The link to purchase tickets will be on our website. Accounts must be current at the time you purchase tickets.

Tickets are \$15 each. Seats are reserved. All guests 4 years+ must have a ticket. Please choose and purchase your tickets carefully. Be sure you know which show(s) your child is performing in. Tickets are not refundable.

SPECIAL NOTE: Families who will require special seating accommodations must contact the studio prior to start of ticket sales so that we may assist you in selecting appropriate seats for wheelchairs, walkers and service animals.

Tickets can be purchased the day of the recital through the link on a mobile device. There will not be cash ticket sales at the door.

Will my dancer be able to eat during recital?

To maintain the flow of the show, keep our dancers clean and the dressing rooms organized, dancers will have access to crackers and water during the shows.

For dancers who will perform in consecutive shows on Saturday, families have the option of sending a meal from home or purchasing a meal (\$10 each) that will be provided by Kroc Center. Meals brought from home must be labeled and will be checked into storage bins when your dancer checks in. All meals (purchased or brought from home) will then be distributed between shows. Dancers will not be allowed to access their meals during the shows. Dancers wishing to purchase a meal from Kroc Center will need to fill out the form, which will be available online in March, and pay no later than May 11. Dancers and parents should not expect to be able to deliver meals between shows.

If your dancer has a food allergy or other medical condition, please contact the studio at info@expressionsdanceandmovement.com or 619-596-3362.

Students who perform in Shows 2 and 4 will be dismissed after Show 2 and will be expected to return at their designated call time for Show 4.

When is my dancer's call time?

We work hard to minimize the amount of time dancers must spend backstage. Please arrive completely performance-ready at your child's appointed call time.

Friday, June 7, 2019

Show 1: 4:30pm – Dancers Age 9+
5:00pm – Dancers Age 3-8

Saturday, June 8, 2019

Show 2: 8:30am – Dancers Age 9+

9am – Dancers Age 2-8

Show 3: 12:30pm – Dancers Age 9+

1pm – Dancers Age 2-8

Show 4: 4:30pm – Dancers Age 9+

5pm – Dancers Age 3-8

What can I expect recital day?

On Recital Day, your dancer should arrive recital-ready, in her/his first costume, complete with hair and makeup stage-ready at their posted call time.

Please bring them with a cover-up like a robe or an adult's button-down shirt. Be sure all your dancer's items are labeled! Dancers will check in at the entrance of the courtyard to the right of the theater, where Expressions staff, assistants and volunteers will escort them to the dressing rooms. To ensure the safety of all our dancers, no parents or guests are allowed in the dressing rooms or backstage areas at any time during recital day. Dancers will remain backstage for the entire recital.

We will not release dancers during a show or at intermission. Dancers are not to leave the dressing rooms unattended. Dancers are expected to perform in each show their class is listed.

SPECIAL NOTE: Tippy Toes students will perform in the first half of their show and will be dismissed to their parents during intermission.

While dancers are backstage, they will be with teachers, assistants and approved parent volunteers. We will provide crackers and water for snacks during the show.

Theater doors will open to guests 30 minutes prior to the start of each show. Seats are reserved, so please have your tickets handy (printed or on a mobile

device). Each show will run about 2 hours with an intermission.

Where do I pick up my dancer?

For each show, students who are not performing in the next show will be dismissed as follows:

- All children's classes (pre-k through 2nd/3rd grade Beginning classes) will dismiss from the stage at the conclusion of finale.
- Classes Level 1+ will dismiss in the courtyard near check-in.

Can I volunteer backstage?

Yes, we cannot have a successful recital without an army of parent volunteers! For each show you volunteer at, you will receive an account credit equal to the cost of one ticket.

If you are interested in volunteering, please sign up with SignUp Genius from our website. Our Volunteer Coordinator, Julie Lepur, will coordinate all volunteer needs and positions.

What about photography?

Absolutely no photography or videography is allowed at the Spring Recital. We have a professional photographer and videographer on site filming all shows. All participating families will receive a digital download of the recital and access to photos online.

When is Picture Day?

On May 17-18, B&R Photo will be on site to take our annual recital portraits. All classes will be photographed and each dancer will have a headshot taken for our cast board display on recital day. Families may choose to purchase portraits of their dancer(s) directly from B&R Photo. All dancers are to arrive at their appointed class time (times will be posted in March) in full costume and recital makeup.

Dancers may choose their own hairstyle for portraits except for ballet classes; all ballet classes require dancers to have hair in a neat bun.

Regular classes will not be held on May 17-18. Students enrolled in these classes will be credited for the missed classes.

This is my first recital, what is recital hair and makeup?

In April, all students will receive a Costume Info Sheet for each costume. This sheet will detail all tights, shoes, hair and makeup requirements.

Please note that all children's tap, ballet and jazz classes, preschool through Beginning, will wear tan tights.

Generally, all girls are expected to have their hair in a bun at the crown of the head with bangs pinned away from the face.

We encourage dancers to wear some blush, eye shadow (not blue), mascara and lipstick (such as Revlon Velvet Rose or similar – please no bright red or orange shades). Please refer to your costume info sheet for more specific details regarding makeup. This simple makeup will help your dancer's face be more visible on stage. If you prefer your dancer not wear makeup, please inform the studio.

What can I do to help my dancer have a successful recital day?

Recital day is the culmination of your child's hard work during the session! There are several ways families can support their dancers and make recital day a low-stress, successful day!

- Ensure your dancer comes to class regularly and consistently. Students who miss more than 1 class in the six weeks leading up to recital may, at the

teacher's discretion, be required to schedule a private lesson prior to performance.

- LABEL everything your dancer will wear or bring on recital day.
- Assemble everything your dancer will need well in advance of recital day. This includes:
 - All costume and accessory pieces in costume bag and/or recital bag
 - Tights (at least one extra pair is helpful)
 - Shoes
 - Hair necessities: brush, comb, hairspray, hair ties, hair nets, bobby pins
 - Makeup
 - Reusable water bottle with name
 - Costume cover-up
- Steam costumes if needed the night before.
- Do not send anything your dancer cannot be responsible for (like expensive electronics). Our staff cannot keep track of over 300 phones, iPads or iPods!
- Make sure they get a good night's sleep.
- Give them a good, healthy breakfast recital morning.
- Give yourself plenty of time to arrive to the theater on time, in costume and with all hair and makeup done.
- Practice doing your dancer's hair ahead of time. Parents will not be allowed backstage to do hair or makeup.
- Know your dancer's call times and which show they dance in!

We're all in this together!

Our staff is dedicated to making recital day a wonderful experience for both dancers and their families! Recital day is all about the kids. Please speak positively about recital to your dancer. Remind

him/her that it should be a fun and happy experience. Be patient with your dancer and our staff. We are working hard to provide a magical experience for everyone! Thank you for being a part of our dance family!