

Dance Incorporated

A Step Ahead of the Rest!

2018 Countdown to Showtime Newsletter #2

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This letter is to fill everyone in on what is happening between now and show time. The following is important information that I hope everyone will read carefully. **IT IS IMPORTANT TO READ THE BULLETIN BOARD ON A REGULAR BASIS.**

STUDIO CLOSED – NO CLASSES

Sat., May 19/18 – Mon., May 21/18

Victoria Day Weekend – Closed

CLASS ATTENDANCE IS IMPORTANT

Please make sure your child attends class every week and practices at home so that their recital dance is cleaned and polished for recital. Students work as a team and poor attendance makes it very difficult for everyone in the class to make the most of every rehearsal. Great attendance = A Great Performance!

1 MONTH TO RECITAL!!!

IMPORTANT REMINDER

All Food and Drinks are NOT PERMITTED in the studio at any time in the lobby. Students may have sealed water bottles only. This has been school policy always but we are finding increasing amounts of food on the carpets in the lobby, gum stuck to our benches, chairs, and baseboards, as well as parents leaving coffee cups tucked into our boot cubbies. Please help keep our studio clean by abiding by this studio policy.

IMPORTANT RECITAL UPDATE **2 EXCITING PERFORMANCES**

Thank you to all those who took the time to give me an estimate of how many tickets you might need for recital. Based on those who signed my board (approx.. 50%) we should be able to accommodate enough tickets for two performances. All students will be performing in our Annual Recital.

Please mark these dates on your calendars now so that you can make arrangements for your children to be available for all of these mandatory attendance dates.

Wednesday, May 23/18 – Stage Rehearsal
Friday, May 25/18 – Show #1
Sunday, May 27/18– Show #2

TICKET SALE INFORMATION



TICKETS GO ON SALE

APRIL 24/18

AT 12:00 NOON

Tickets for this year's performance will go on sale starting Tuesday, April 24, 2018 at 12:00 noon. For those of you who are new, Dance Incorporated puts on a spectacular year end show! I know you will be excited that you have joined our wonderful dance family and be part of this amazing event.

Cost is \$20+hst per ticket plus the additional service charges added by the City of Barrie for the use of the theatre and box office. You may buy tickets at their box office on Dunlop St. at the Five Points Theatre, by calling the box office, or ordering on-line. Please note there is a \$2.00 charge to order online.

Below is information given to me by the City of Barrie to let parents know. If you need wheelchair seating please call them prior to tickets going on sale as they have limited number of these seats available.

Please note that everyone attending must have a ticket, including small children. **Students who are dancing DO NOT NEED A TICKET as they are backstage the entire performance. Please do not purchase a ticket for your child who is dancing.**

Below is information from the City of Barrie regarding ticket sales.

Here is useful information for you and parents/customers:

Tickets Sales:

- In person at the Five Points Theatre box office at 1 Dunlop St. West.
- Over the phone by calling the box office 705-739-4228

Box office hours are Tuesday to Friday from 12 noon to 6 pm, and on Saturday from 11 am to 5 pm. Closed on Sundays and Mondays. In addition, on the day/night of the performance, a temporary box office is always open at the venue of the show from one hour before the performance until the intermission for pick-ups and

purchase. Online www.barrie.ca/TheatreTickets \$ 2.00 nonrefundable convenience fee per ticket applies. To avoid that charge parents can buy tickets through the box office.

- e. Ticket sales are final. No refunds. Tickets can be upgraded to higher price only (e.g. Student/Child to Adult).
- f. We have limited number of seats accessible by wheelchairs or walkers. If a patron needs accessible seating, the best is to call the box office in advance.
- g. We encourage buying tickets in advance to avoid line-ups before the show. Tickets ordered online or over the phone may be picked up on the night of the show at Georgian Theatre; no need to drive to Five Points Theatre.

****PLEASE NOTE**: IF TICKET SALES ARE HIGH AND WE SELL OUT WE WILL ADD AN ADDITIONAL EARLIER SHOW ON SUNDAY IF NEEDED. *PLEASE MAKE NOTE OF THIS AND KEEP YOUR SUNDAY MORNING FREE UNTIL CLOSER TO SHOW WHEN I KNOW HOW TICKET SALES ARE GOING**

COMMUNICATION AND EMAIL

The studio uses Email, our Facebook page, website, www.danceincorporated.ca, and Text Message Alerts as our sources of communication with parents and students. **If you have not left an email address on file, please check the bulletin board on a regular basis as all emails that are sent out are posted on the studio bulletin board.** Important information will also be posted on the home page on the website. If you have any questions at any time, please direct them to the studio director at 735-2755 or via email us at danceinc@rogers.com

TEXT MESSAGE ALERT SYSTEM WILL BE USED FOR RECITAL INFORMATION- PLEASE SIGN UP!

TEXT MESSAGE ALERTS – TO RECEIVE TEXT MESSAGE ALERTS WHENEVER CLASSES ARE CANCELLED DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER OR OTHER IMPORTANT RECITAL OR STUDIO INFORMATION IS SENT OUT

To join this alert reminder please do the following: Add a contact to your cell phone called **DANCE INC ALERT** with the phone number **(705)990-0109**. Once you have added this contact **text @danceinc** to this number. You will automatically be added to the group.

MANDATORY RECITAL ATTENDANCE

All Students will be performing in three performances, Friday evening, and Sunday Afternoon It is mandatory that all students perform in **both performances**, including the youngest students. Class routines are based on teamwork and sometimes with partners, so it is important that you are aware that students perform in all three performances.

PARENT SUPERVISION VOLUNTEERS

In order for our production to run smoothly we require **A MINIMUM OF THREE PARENT** volunteers from each class to help supervise the students. If you wish to volunteer to supervise backstage for one of the three performances please let us know via email. The office will keep a list and assign duties as required. Any and all help is always appreciated. In order to keep all students safe we encourage parents to volunteer to supervise as the studio enrolment is quite large and student safety is always foremost of importance to the studio. Without sufficient volunteers we are unable to run the show smoothly and efficiently. If you wish to volunteer to supervise please be aware that supervision is **for the entire length of the school show** not just until intermission and involves watching a group of students. Students will not be released to parents during intermission. Communication, co-operation and enthusiasm are the key to a successful show. Teens may volunteer and receive community service hours. **SIGN UP BOARD WILL BE AT THE FRONT DESK. VOLUNTEERS ARE GREATLY APPRECIATED!**

SCHOOL VIDEO AND VIDEO CAMERAS

Our production will be videotaped professionally again this year. You may pre-order order copies. Video Order Forms are available at the front desk. You are welcome

to take your own video but it must be from **your seats only**. Parents are not allowed to wander around the theatre to video tape as this interferes with the professional videographer and photographer. Your cooperation is appreciated.

DRESS REHEARSAL WEEK
MAY 12-17, 2018

Dress rehearsal week is the week of **Saturday, May 12 – Thursday, May 17, 2018** during your regular class times at the studio. **Hair must be in a bun with no bangs**, make-up is optional for dress rehearsal. Please make sure you bring **all pieces** of your costume **including headpieces**. Please make sure to wear the proper colour of tights for your costume on dress rehearsal days. All students other than ballet wear their beige tights with costumes. Ballet students wear ballet pink tights.

STAGE REHEARSAL –
WEDNESDAY, May 25, 2018

Stage rehearsal start time is 4:45 p.m. sharp at the Georgian College Theatre. Please arrive by 4:45 p.m. so that we may start at 5:00 p.m. sharp. **Parents will not be permitted to stay.** Please drop your child off and leave quickly in order for us to start on time.

DO NOT SEND FOOD WITH CHILDREN TO REHEARSAL. THIS IS POLICY OF THE GEORGAIN COLLEGE THEATRE RENTAL. FOOD IS NOT PERMITTED IN THE THEATRE AT ANY TIME. SEALED WATERBOTTLES ONLY PLEASE.

NOTE: Only the following classes are to be picked up **promptly at 6:00 p.m.** Parents are asked to **wait in the lobby** and we will bring the students out together to their parents.

Saturday 9:00 – 9:30 a.m. Acro (Miss Lindsay)

Saturday 9:30 – 10:00 a.m. Tap (Miss Wendy)

Wednesday 5:00 – 6:00 p.m. Ballet & Jazz (Miss Melinda)

NOTE: FOR ALL OTHER STUDENTS REHEARSAL WILL BE COMPLETE AT APPROXIMATELY 8:45 P.M. Please arrive prior to 8:45 p.m. and wait in the lobby. The doors of the theatre will be opened when we have completed. Please do not tell your child to meet you out front. **Students will not be permitted to leave the auditorium without a parent or a permission note from their parent that they are to leave with someone other than mom or dad. This rule pertains to all students no matter what age.**

STUDENTS DO NOT NEED COSTUMES AT STAGE REHEARSAL – REGULAR CLASS ATTIRE AND DANCE SHOES ONLY TO BE WORN. PLEASE DO NOT PARK IN THE CIRCULAR DRIVEWAY AT THE COLLEGE. We have had problems every year with vehicles parking in the circular driveway and we have been notified that the college will ticket and tow vehicles, as this is a fire and bus route. Please park your vehicles and come into the theatre to pick up your child. Thank you in advance for taking note of this.

*** During rehearsal, and all performances you will have to pay to park at Georgian College. I believe it I \$7.00 to park.**

SHOWTIME!!! FRIDAY, May 25 & SUNDAY, May 27, 2018
PLEASE MAKE NOTE OF ALL OF THESE IMPORTANT TIMES.

Friday May 25th students must arrive for 5:30 p.m. sharp. Show starts at 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, May 27th for the afternoon performance students are to be backstage at 1:30 p.m. sharp and show time is 2:00 p.m. sharp.

Parents will not be permitted back stage, only authorized volunteers.

NO EXCEPTIONS WILL BE MADE TO THIS RULE! The children will be well supervised at all times. **PLEASE DO NOT SEND FOOD AT ALL WITH YOUR CHILDREN TO RECITAL.**

WATER BOTTLES ONLY ALLOWED IN THE CHANGEROOM AREAS. WE HAD A PROBLEM WITH THIS RULE NOT BEING UPHELD LAST YEAR.

Please make sure you feed your child their meal prior to bringing them to their designated change areas. With food allergies it would be impossible for us to protect these children if students bring food. Water bottles are all that will be permitted to be brought backstage and in the change rooms with students. **PLEASE DO NOT COME BACKSTAGE AT INTERMISSION TO PICK UP CHILDREN. ALL STUDENTS ARE IN THE FINALE AT THE END OF THE PERFORMANCE AND WILL BE REQUIRED TO STAY.**

Only parents who are on the supervision list will be permitted in the change areas.

* The doors to the theatre will be closed at **6:00 p.m. sharp on Friday Night, & 2:00 p.m. sharp on Saturday.** Please make sure you are in your seat before these times. **Once the theatre doors are closed, they will not be opened again until intermission.**

• After the performance, parents are asked to give us **10 minutes** before coming backstage to pick up your children in order for us to organise the students and get them back to their designated areas.

This worked well the last couple of years and helped to avoid congestion and confusion.

Your co-operation is appreciated.



IMPORTANT DATE CALENDAR

All important dates are listed below. The studio follows the school year calendar and will be closed Thanksgiving, Halloween, Christmas, Family Day, March Break, Easter, Victoria Day. We follow the same holidays that schools follow.

**TICKET SALES BEGIN
TUESDAY, APRIL 24, 2018
** see information above ****

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During Regular Class Times**

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Drop Off – 5:30 p.m. Sharp**

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Drop off – 1:30 p.m. Sharp**

**On behalf of myself and all of my staff
Welcome and HAPPY DANCING!**