

Cincy DANCE Studio, LLC

May Newsletter

NOTE FROM THE DIRECTOR

I can't believe we are 30 days away from "LIGHTS, CAMERA, ACTION!" I want to give a big thank you to all the parents for your continued support of the studio. Your dancer has been a joy to work with this season and I'm so anxious to see their talent shine on stage next month!

I have attached a copy of our 2012 Recital details again for your convenience. If you have any questions regarding this information, please feel free to contact me.

Most of you have already received your recital costumes, but I'm still missing a few. Those costumes are scheduled to be shipped to me today, so as soon as I receive them I will contact you and distribute them to the class. As a reminder there are no replacement costumes or tights so please make sure everything is kept in a safe place and only worn on photo day, dress rehearsal and recital nights. Dancers must also have the correct color and style dance shoes for their performance. This information can be found in the pink costume book in the lobby or by contacting the studio. I'd be happy to help you find a store locally with the shoes you will need. ***OPENING NUMBER DANCERS: IF ANY OF YOU HAVE EXTRA MATERIAL AFTER HEMMING YOUR PANTS PLEASE BRING THAT FABRIC TO THE STUDIO ASAP. I HAVE TWO DANCERS THAT NEED TO AD LENGTH TO THEIR COSTUMES AND WOULD APPERCIATE THE EXTRA FABRIC.***

Tickets for the 2012 Recital "LIGHT, CAMERA, ACTION" will go on sale starting Saturday May 12th, 10-1pm. Cost is \$10 per ticket and rises to \$12 per ticket at Dress Rehearsal and Recital. CASH OR CHECK ONLY! All seating is general admission and doors will open to the theatre on recital night at 6:30pm. There is still time to order your Recital DVD. All orders must be received by May 31st at dress rehearsal. All orders for our 2012 recital t-shirt are due no later then May 12th. Cost is \$15 and sizes are available in Small Child- Extra Large Adult. And finally, take the stress out

of recital gifts by allowing the Cincy STARS to put together flower and balloon bouquets for you to pick up at recital for your dancer! Order forms for flowers/balloons, t-shirts and DVD can be found in the lobby.

Photos for your dancer's class will be taken Sunday May 20th at the studio. Attached you will find a copy of the photo day schedule. Please come with your dancer dressed in their costume with hair and makeup ready for pictures. With each class a group photo then individuals will be taken. Oak Haven Photography will have a representative on site to assist you with photo orders. Please do your part to ensure a smooth running day by arriving on time or early for your pictures. If you are running late or can't attend a phone call is greatly appreciated.

I have updated details for our Dress Rehearsal Thursday May 31st at Madeira High School. Attached you will find a show order with each classes call times. Please understand dress rehearsal can be lengthy as we work out lighting and staging for each routine, but I'm trying to avoid the hassle of extended wait times for you all. Please arrive backstage with your dancer dressed (costume, hair and makeup) and ready at the time indicated on the attached form. If we are running behind you may wait in the theatre and I will call your class to head backstage for rehearsal. As soon as your dancer is finished on Dress Rehearsal you are free to leave.

NOTE: PLEASE USE THE SIDE ENTRANCE TO THE RIGHT OF MADEIRA HIGH SCHOOL FOR ENTERING THE SCHOOL ON BOTH DRESS REHEARSAL AND RECITAL NIGHT. SIGNS WILL BE LOCATED THROUGHTOUT THE THEATRE AREA DIRECTING YOU TO THE BACKSTAGE AREA, RESTROOMS, ETC...

I have posted a Backstage Moms signup sheet on the lobby blackboard. I ask that two volunteers from each Creative Movement and Kinder Class – one Mom from each Level 1, 2, and 3 class - to stay with the dancers during the recital. A friend or family member who is 18 years or older can also be a Backstage Mom. For dancers who are in more than 2 dances, it may be helpful to have an assistant backstage to help with quick costume changes. For the younger dancers, it's comforting to have a consistent parental / adult presence during the event. For the studio, it's help that we couldn't do without!! ***As a Backstage Mom, you will not have to pay for a ticket for the recital. You will be able to watch your child's performance in the audience (we'll have a special Backstage Mom's seating area), and then will stay with the class backstage for the rest of the recital.***

Recital will begin at 7pm on Friday June 1st at Madeira High School. I'd prefer for all dancers to be at the school no later than 6:30pm. Seating is general admission and theatre doors will open at 6:30pm. The show will last approximately 2.5 hours and we will hopefully have a live feed of the recital available again in the backstage area for the dancers to watch. A concession stand will be open at recital before the show and at intermission only serving popcorn, candy and drinks. Again, students are free to leave after they perform however on Recital night I encourage all students to stay for our final bow during the Finale, "Time Of My Life".

Please continue to check the lost and found located in the black cubbies in the lobby. There are many dance shoes that your dancer would need for recital that have been left behind. Also I've placed clothing, toys, books and water bottles I have found in those cubbies. I clean out the lost and found at the end of every month and donate items to charity so please check the lost and found frequently for those items that go missing!

I have gotten many calls inquiring about our summer dance program and that information is being finalized and will be sent out via email later today or tomorrow. I can let you know classes will be held at the studio July 9th-August 9th. Those dancers selected to join the 2012-2013 Cincy STARS competition team will be required to enroll in summer classes to keep up on their technique and begin staging choreography for competition routines. Invitations will be sent to those selected to join the STARS the week after the dance recital.

This is a wonderful time of year for you dancer, but I know all this information can be a bit overwhelming for the parent. I thank you for being part of our annual recital and as always, feel free to contact me with any questions regarding this celebration of your dancer's progress! Be sure to read through the attached forms and keep checking emails and the lobby board for announcements! Don't forget to follow us on Facebook and Twitter (@cincydance) for up to the minute news.

Thank you,

Lauren Andrews