

CentreStage Dance

RECITAL INFORMATION/GUIDELINES 2025!

DRESS REHEARSAL AND RECITAL – THE HOW, THE WHERE, AND THE WHEN!

As the year-end performance approaches, we all share in the children’s excitement and enthusiasm. Their thrill and sense of accomplishment of dancing on the big stage in front of an audience is the reason we have these performances.

“CLOSED” FULL DRESS REHEARSALS HELD AT THE ACT THEATRE

WEDNESDAY JUNE 4th AND THURSDAY JUNE 5th, 2024, 4:00 – 9:00 PM (APPROX)

ARRIVAL AND DISMISSAL TIMES WILL BE EMAILED OUT AND ON THE WEBSITE **MAY 1st**.

PLEASE CHECK FOR YOUR CHILD’S INFORMATION AND ARRIVE AT THE ACT:

30 MINUTES EARLY, IN FULL COSTUME, HAIR AND MAKE UP, AND PREPARED TO DANCE. THANK YOU.

CLOSED DRESS REHEARSAL – DANCERS, STAFF AND VOLUNTEER PARENTS ONLY

It is the policy of the dance studio to hold a **CLOSED DRESS REHEARSAL**. Volunteers, parent supervisors, runners, and staff **ONLY** will be permitted in the theatre during the rehearsal, to ensure the safety of the students.

A volunteer parent who will be supervising the children will watch each group. It is important for us to have the children’s undivided attention in this situation, and we thank you for your support. We want the experience of dancing on the big stage to be an enjoyable one. The students also love watching other numbers that will be performed in the year-end show!

If, for reasons beyond your control, a family member is unable to attend any of the recitals, special arrangements may be made to attend the Dress Rehearsal. Please email the studio prior to the Dress Rehearsal for more info.

GUIDELINES FOR RECITAL

Line-ups and “A-Z” listings will be posted at the studio, emailed, and on the website by MAY 1st.

ALL DANCES AND PRODUCTION WILL PERFORM IN AT LEAST 2 SHOWS!

Some numbers will perform 3 times in order to cover families with siblings and multiple numbers.

PLEASE bring your child to EVERY show that their group is in to be there for their team!

Due to the number of students enrolled in multiple classes, and the sibling factor, we cannot guarantee that family members will be in the same performances. As always, we will do our absolute very best to accommodate all families with children in more than one number. We unfortunately cannot guarantee that adults will be in the same shows as their children.

Our main focus is to make the recital a special event for all families!

We do our best to ensure: 1 to 3 dances – all in one show together, 4 dances – at least 3 together, 5 to 6 dances – at least 4 together, 7 dances – at least 5 together, 8 dances – at least 6, and so on.

We will always do our best to see that the majority of your family’s numbers are in a show together.

RECITAL DATES – THE ACT THEATRE

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| WEDNESDAY, JUNE 11 th | EVENING PERFORMANCE 6:00 PM |
| THURSDAY, JUNE 12 th | EVENING PERFORMANCE 6:00 PM |
| FRIDAY, JUNE 13 th | EVENING PERFORMANCE 6:00 PM |
| SATURDAY, JUNE 14 th | MATINEE PERFORMANCE 1:00 PM |
| SATURDAY, JUNE 14 th | EVENING PERFORMANCE 6:00 PM |

PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE check the A-Z listings BEFORE checking the line-ups to see which performance(s) your child is dancing in. ALL SHOWS ARE DIFFERENT!

WE WANT YOU TO BE INFORMED!

RECITAL TICKET SALES

With our ticket sale method, we feel we have found the best way to alleviate the lengthy line-ups as well as ensure that all families will indeed get tickets to see their kids perform. Please know that we take this very seriously and we have looked at every option available.

Each performance will initially have one day in which tickets for ONLY that show will be available. Tickets will be available online, over the phone and in person at The ACT's Box Office.

THE ACT THEATRE HIGHLY ENCOURAGES EVERYONE TO PLEASE TRY TO PURCHASE ONLINE

5 TICKETS MAXIMUM PER DANCER'S FAMILY WILL BE ALLOTTED, *JUST TO BEGIN WITH.*

This is 5 TOTAL per family, NOT PER SHOW!

This ensures every family will get tickets.

The theatre will contact us regarding anyone that does not abide by this

As of Saturday, May 17th, ALL remaining tickets will be available first come, first serve!

Ticket Sale Date:

Monday, May 12th

Tuesday, May 13th

Wednesday, May 14th

Thursday, May 15th

Friday, May 16th

Saturday, May 17th- 19th

As of Tuesday, May 20th

Performance Date:

for the Wednesday, June 11th Evening Show

for the Thursday, June 12th Evening Show

for the Friday, June 13th Evening Show

for the Saturday, June 14th Matinee Show

for the Saturday, June 14th Evening Show

you may purchase any additional tickets online.

you may purchase additional tickets in person, online, and over the phone.

Ticket sales will start at 9:00am each day

Tickets are available at:

ACT Theatre Website: theactmapleridge.org or ACT Theatre Box Office Phone: (604) 476-2787

Child/Senior \$27.00 Adult \$29.00

IMPORTANT! FOR THE FAMILIES OF OUR NEW, OR YOUNGER DANCERS: TICKETS SELL FAST!

Please do expect possible line-ups and waits when purchasing your tickets. We thank you for your patience and understanding.

DRESS REHEARSAL AND RECITAL ETIQUETTE

- **PLEASE** arrive to rehearsals and recitals **30 minutes prior to show time** in full costume with hair and makeup done prepared to dance.
- **PLEASE DO NOT** use flash cameras in the theatre during the performances. The students can not only become disoriented by the flash, but this can also trigger seizures in some of our students. Please do not jeopardize their safety. As well, please do not use any cameras with screens as this is extremely distracting to the other audience members. The performance is being recorded, so you don't need to video or photograph. Just enjoy the show!
- **PLEASE NOTE** dancers wishing to watch the remainder of the recital performance must have a purchased ticket due to fire regulations. Dancers entering the theatre must also change into regular clothing and NOT wear their costumes into the audience.
- **Please remind your dancers that under no circumstances are there to be phones out taking photos, videos such as TikTok's and Snapchat's in any area where dancers may be changing! This is incredibly important, and we do ask that everyone speaks with their children in advance.**
- **PLEASE** remember, parent supervisors and crew are volunteers and family members, who have volunteered their time for this event. Students **must be signed in and out** during the recitals and dress rehearsals as a safety measure. We do not take your child's safety lightly and ask for your co-operation in this matter. If your child can only stay for a limited time, please inform your child's volunteer parent when signing them in.

THE ACT THEATRE'S POLICY - NEITHER FOOD NOR DRINK ARE TO BE CONSUMED IN THE THEATRE AREA, EITHER DURING THE DRESS REHEARSAL OR RECITALS. THEIR POLICY IS BACKED BY A FINE FOR VIOLATORS.

PLEASE BE ADVISED AND COMPLY WITH THEIR RULES AS FAILURE TO DO SO MAY ALSO RESULT IN A TICKET PRICE INCREASE. THANK YOU. STUDENTS MAY BRING BOTTLED WATER ONLY INTO THE MAIN THEATRE AND STUDIO THEATRE.

ATTENTION ALL GRADUATING DANCERS!

Is your dancer graduating from high school this year? If so, we want to invite all graduating students to join us in our last recital performance finale in their grad dresses and suits! It means so much to us here at CentreStage Dance to have so many students stay with us throughout all their school years. We do consider our students family, and we would like to be able to celebrate these dancers for their passion and commitment! We so look forward to the years to come of seeing our students in their grad gowns and suits.

VIDEOS & PHOTOS BY GTFX

We are excited to have GTFX coming to video AND photograph all our performances at The ACT Theatre! Everyone who has registered this season has prepaid for an online link to a premium quality HD video, and photographs of ALL recital performances!

VOLUNTEER PARENTS NEEDED – WE NEED YOUR HELP SUPERVISING STUDENTS AT DRESS REHEARSAL AND RECITALS!

All numbers **IN PURPLE** on the A-Z list require a volunteer parent!

Each year we ask for the help and support of parents, family, and friends to volunteer their time for the dress rehearsal and recitals. Volunteering as a parent supervisor is a commitment of your time and energy.

We need your help to put on a safe and successful performance. Please come be part of OUR TEAM!

THE SIGN-UP SHEET WILL BE POSTED IN THE STUDIO LOBBY MAY 1st, 2025.

A Volunteer Information Sheet is at the end of this newsletter, it outlines the expectations and requirements of becoming a parent supervisor.

FOR EVERY REHEARSAL/RECITAL YOU VOLUNTEER TO HELP AT, YOUR NAME WILL GO IN A DRAW FOR AN AWESOME GIFT BASKET INCLUDING A SPA GIFT CERTIFICATE, A GIFT CERTIFICATE TO COVER ONE REGISTRATION FEE FOR THE 2025-2026 SEASON, AND A \$100 GIFT CERTIFICATE FOR CSD LOGO WEAR! THE MORE DATES YOU VOLUNTEER FOR, THE MORE CHANCES YOU HAVE OF WINNING! THE WINNER WILL BE ANNOUNCED DURING OUR WEDNESDAY EVENING RECITAL'S FINALE!

VOLUNTEER INFORMATION

Thank you very much for your interest in volunteering as a parent supervisor. The dress rehearsal and dance recitals are at The ACT Theatre in Maple Ridge. We depend on parents to help during these events and ask for volunteers to **commit to the requirements we have listed below**, to ensure that the children are as safe as possible. We would like to thank all the past volunteers for all their time and support.

We really appreciate the dedication of our parents. Thank you!

If you sign up, **WE COUNT ON YOU to be there 45 MINUTES PRIOR TO START TIME** (The dancers will be arriving 30 minutes prior). If you are unable to attend, **PLEASE give us ample notice** so we may make alternative arrangements for the safety of the dancers.

PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE YOUR ASSIGNED GROUP UNATTENDED. We ask you to stay for the entire duration of time, for both the rehearsal and the recital that you have volunteered for. **Volunteers must stay with their group until ALL dancers from the group have been signed out!** By leaving a group unattended, it puts an added responsibility on other volunteer parents trying to watch other groups.

PLEASE DO NOT LET YOUR DESIGNATED GROUP RUN WILD. During the dress rehearsal, the students and volunteers will be in the audience, but during the recitals the students will be backstage. We will supply colouring books, crayons, puzzles, and some games, but you are more than welcome to bring games, cards, or any non-messy ideas to keep the students occupied. We need to keep the students together with their groups, as the stage helpers do not have time to chase down students when it is their turn to go on stage. Also, some of the students have costume changes and will need to be moved from group to group.

PLEASE DO NOT ALLOW THE STUDENTS TO EAT OR DRINK DURING THE DRESS REHEARSAL OR RECITALS (WATER BOTTLES ARE PERMITTED). THE ACT THEATRE LEVIES A FINE IF ANYONE IS FOUND WITH FOOD OR DRINK IN THE THEATRE. ALSO, PLEASE REMOVE ALL JEWELRY BEFORE STUDENTS GO ON STAGE.

VOLUNTEER INFORMATION REMINDERS

(PLEASE KEEP THIS FOR YOUR INFORMATION)

Thank you very much for volunteering as a parent volunteer!

We depend on parents to help during these events to ensure that the dancer's are as safe at rehearsals and recitals.

- **PLEASE ARRIVE 45 MINUTES PRIOR TO YOUR REHEARSAL/RECITAL TIME**
- **PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE YOUR ASSIGNED GROUP UNATTENDED.**
By leaving a group unattended, this puts an added responsibility onto other parent volunteers trying to watch other groups.
- **PLEASE REMAIN WITH YOUR DESIGNATED GROUP UNTIL THEY ARE ALL SIGNED OUT**
We need you to stay for the duration of time for the rehearsal and/or recital you have volunteered for.

PLEASE DO NOT LET YOUR DESIGNATED GROUP RUN WILD AT THE DRESS REHEARSAL AND RECITAL.

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Please make sure you find out which group/s that you are assigned to, and we ask that you show up at the times listed on the attached sheet for the dress rehearsal and recital.

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THANK YOU SINCERELY FOR YOUR TIME AND COMMITMENT.