



Winter Recital
December 7, 2025
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Dear Studio Families,

The most wonderful time of the year is almost here — and so is our **Winter Recital, *Home For The Holidays!*** We can't wait to celebrate the season together on **Saturday, December 7th**, as our dancers take the stage to share the magic they've been working so hard to create.

This show is more than just a performance — it's a reflection of the true meaning of the holiday season: togetherness, joy, and gratitude. It's about coming "home" to a place filled with love, laughter, and the simple happiness of sharing dance with others.

Our students and teachers have poured their hearts into every class, perfecting each step and movement to make this production something truly special. Their dedication, teamwork, and excitement shine through in every dance, reminding us all of what makes this time of year so meaningful.

We are incredibly proud of the effort, growth, and spirit our dancers have shown as they prepare to bring this story to life. *Home For The Holidays* will be a beautiful celebration of community, creativity, and the warmth that dance brings to our hearts.

We look forward to sharing this magical experience with you and your families. Thank you for your continued support and for helping us keep the spirit of the season alive through dance.

With holiday cheer and gratitude,
Nicole Guinard

WHEN IS IT?

Our recital is Sunday, December 7, at 1:00 PM. Students should arrive at least 35 minutes prior to curtain. Running time is 1 hour.

It is our goal to make the recital experience organized and exciting for all involved as well as for our gracious audience. It's a team effort; students, parents, volunteers, the teachers, stage manager, and the director are all key players in the success of the shows.

WHERE IS IT?

Our recital and dress rehearsal are at Keith Middle School in New Bedford, MA. Be sure to tell your family and friends who regularly attend our shows about the new venue.

HOW DO I PURCHASE RECITAL TICKETS?

Recital tickets go on sale November 1 at 9:00 AM. We use an online ticketing system called Dance Recital Ticketing. Tickets are tiered pricing and assigned seating. You may choose your section and seat. If you have questions about which side of the stage your child is on, please let us know. Children, regardless of age, require a ticket. However, if you have a toddler who will be on your lap, a ticket is not required. Service fees are additional. We sell tickets on a first come first sold basis. There is no limit on how many tickets you can purchase.

29063.danceticketing.com

Ticket Prices - DRT fees are extra

Orchestra \$20 - \$22

Balcony \$18

DRESS REHEARSAL is Saturday, December 6, at Keith Middle School.

Please arrive in your child's first costume with hair in a low bun and make up complete. Bring all dance shoes.

Dress Rehearsal is closed to the public. There is no food or drink permitted in the auditorium.

YOUR CHILD'S WEEKLY CLASS DAY/TIME/AGE	REHEARSAL TIME
Tue/Wed/Sat ShowStars Ages 9-12 (Hip hop first, then lyrical, then Wed jazz then Tue jazz)	11:30 - 12:45
Monday & Saturday Jr. & Sr. Ensemble (Lyrical first then ballet)	12:45 - 1:30
Wednesday Twinkle Stars Ages 3-4	1:30 - 1:50
Thursday Twinkle Stars Ages 5-6 (tap first, then ballet)	1:50 - 2:20
Break	2:20 - 2:35
Dad/Daughter	2:35 - 2:55
Tuesday Ages 5-7 Tap and Ballet (tap first, then ballet)	2:55 - 3:20
Thursday Ages 7-9 Ballet & Jazz (jazz first, then ballet)	3:20 - 4:00

DRESSING ROOM ETIQUETTE

All students will be using the cafeteria as a dressing room. Bring a room divider, pop up tent or anything your child may need for their privacy. For safety and organization reasons, children should have an activity planned when waiting to perform. There should be no balls bouncing or running around. Cartwheels, gymnastics, etc. are not permitted. Please keep the children together with their classmates rather than running around. No child should be left alone. Please confer and communicate with each other so the rehearsal and recital process is smooth and orderly. En L'air staff members, Taylor Rogers, Iris Bonoan Nikki Cabral, Charis Hall, Chelsea Cote and I are here to help. Feel free to bring a folding room divider or other type of privacy screen to use for changing purposes. No men are permitted in the dressing rooms.

COSTUME CARE

Please write your child's name in all costumes, shoes, and accessories. Place costumes in a garment bag (most come with one from the designer) with your child's name on the outside. Pack accessories in a clear plastic bag with your child's name on the bag. Hats or headpieces should be stored in a hatbox or similar container to prevent damage. Please do not wash costumes. Steam wrinkles from costumes. Do not iron. Never put tights in the dryer.

WHAT KIND OF TIGHTS SHOULD MY CHILD WEAR?

En L'air will provide each student with a pair of recital tights. It is vital to a cohesive look to have all performers wearing the same brand/color/weight of tights. Tights this season are from Revolution Dancewear. They will be distributed with costume(s.) Recital tights are for portraits, dress rehearsal and performance only. Do NOT wear these tights to classes. If you wish to have a second pair on hand, please purchase them from the school prior to the show. They are \$12 each for children sizes and \$14 each for adult sizes.

Shoes MUST ALL BE the same brand, color and style. Please refer to shopnimbly.com/enlair to purchase the correct shoes.

Your child should wear nude/flesh-toned undergarments. This way we don't see them peeking out from underneath their costume.



Amazon
Wrong color, wrong X elastic, no room for growth



Bloch
Wrong color, drawstrings, no room for growth



Revolution
Correct color, matches tights, no pesky drawstrings that come untied, stretch inset for growing feet.

Item #157 Stretch ballet shoe in pink 
Required footwear for class and recital. Order 3 sizes up for correct fit.

HOW SHOULD MY CHILD'S HAIR BE?

All female students should wear hair in a high bun.

Comb through the hair and part on the side or down the middle. Wetting the hair slightly with a spray bottle or combing a bit of gel will make it smooth. Put the hair in a low ponytail at the base of the head. Gather hair into the hair net and shape the bun. Begin to pin with hair pins rather than bobby pins. The bun should lay rather flat as seen right rather than cone or donut shaped. Spray with hair spray. Please comb and pin bangs back as well. If hair is too short for a bun pull sides back and fasten securely. Hair should be smooth and professional with no fly-aways or bumps. Clear brow gel is an effective tool on flyaways. ***Please see our website for tutorials.***



ACCESSORIES: All students age 6 and older (Mini ShowStars ages 7-9 Thursday classes and up) require 8 mm crystal stud earrings. Does not apply to Twinkle Star Classes. If your child doesn't have her ears pierced we offer clip-ons. Earrings are \$12 for pierced and \$14 for clip-on and will be worn in all future recitals as well. Please let us know if you need a pair. Returning students should have theirs from previous years.



MAKEUP

Stage make up is mandatory so your child does not appear washed out under the stage lights. A triple shadow palette of dark brown, mauve, and ivory should be applied to the lid. Black mascara, black liner on the top lid only, blush on cheeks and neck. Lips should be a soft red such as strawberry seen right. Do not use pink or purple lipstick. There are numerous YouTube How To videos you can access. Mode Dion cosmetics offers a line of makeup and many videos. Check our website for links to videos. Male students should apply a bit of makeup too so they are not washed out onstage. We'll post a video for boys too.



PRE-PLANNING

The recital is not a one-day activity. It takes pre-planning and organization. Please gather all costumes, accessories, shoes, and makeup several days in advance so you'll know if something is missing. Bring extra hair gel, hairnets, bobby pins, and hairspray. At dress rehearsal, a parent or guardian must accompany children under the age of 12 at all times. Please do not leave your child at the school by themselves at any time for any reason. All students should have the brand and color of dance shoes required in our Dress Code. If you have any questions, please check the bulletin board.

NO FLASH PHOTOGRAPHY During Sunday Recital

We understand how important it is for each family to preserve their dancer's recital memories via video and still photos. We do not allow flash photography during the actual performance. Flashes are distracting and dangerous to the dancers on stage, however if you wish to take photos or video, please do so at dress rehearsal.



VOLUNTEERS

Anyone interested in volunteering to help in the dressing rooms is much appreciated. **A volunteer signup form can be found on our lobby bulletin board.**

Volunteers are the reason our shows are successful. Without them, parents would be required to remain with their children for the show. That isn't much fun for anyone. Please consider becoming a member of the volunteer pool.

Volunteers receive early access to ticket sales. Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Recital Etiquette

- Please refrain from talking during the performances.
- Please stay until the recital is over. It is only 1 hour.
- Give enthusiastic and encouraging applause to ALL of the students! They have worked hard.
- Once the recital begins, please remain seated and refrain from talking. Extra noise is very distracting to the performers.
- Silence Cell Phones or other devices. The distracting sound is a given, but the light from your cell phone disturbs the people around you. Be considerate of their child's time on stage too.
- DON'T be late! If something happens out of your control, and you do arrive late make sure to wait to enter the auditorium between dances when you hear applause. DO NOT enter or exit while someone is performing. Please tell family members to arrive by no later than 12:45. We start on time!

Recital Checklist

Shoes (is your name written inside each shoe?)

- ☐ Ballet Slippers
- ☐ Tap Shoes
- ☐ Jazz Shoes
- ☐ Hip-Hop Sneakers
- ☐ Pointe Shoes

Tights

- ☐ Tan Tights
- ☐ Pink Tights

Makeup

- ☐ Blush
- ☐ Lipstick
- ☐ Mascara
- ☐ Eye shadow
- ☐ Eyeliner
- ☐ Powder
- ☐ Pretty Girl Makeup Kit **NEW

Hair

- ☐ Brush & Comb
- ☐ Gel
- ☐ Hairspray
- ☐ Hairnet
- ☐ Bobby pins
- ☐ Hair pins
- ☐ Extra elastics

Accessories

- ☐ Nail polish remover (in case you forget to take it off)
- ☐ Band-aids - Neutral skin toned
- ☐ Water
- ☐ Pain reliever of your choice
- ☐ Clear nail polish for runs
- ☐ Baby powder
- ☐ Deodorant

Costumes

- ☐ Ballet
- ☐ Tap
- ☐ Jazz
- ☐ Hip-hop
- ☐ Lyrical
- ☐ Musical Theatre

Costume accessories (if applicable)

- ☐ Hat
- ☐ Hair pieces
- ☐ Wand
- ☐ Earrings
- ☐ Goggles

Make a v mark next to each item or cross it off if it does not apply to you.

Double check your list.

Good luck!!!