

Recital FAQ 2026

When does my dancer have to rehearse at the studio for the recital?

May 13 Rehearsal at the studio, **ALL DANCERS (regular dance clothes--no costumes)**

5-6pm Creative Movement, Tiny dancers

5-6:30pm Mini, Mini/Junior, Mini Comp dancers

5-6:30pm Junior, Musical Theatre, Junior/Teen, Junior Comp Dancers

6pm-7:30pm Teen, Senior, Teen Comp, Senior Comp, Large Group Contemporary

If my child is a non-competitive dancer, can they still participate in the finale dance?

Yes, Mini, Junior, Teen, and Senior non-competitive dancers are invited to participate in a special section of our recital finale. Interested dancers will receive an instructional video by April 1 and be asked to practice at home.

They will then attend a mandatory rehearsal at the studio on Monday, May 11 from 6:00-7:30. Finale dancers must order a recital t-shirt to wear on stage during the finale. Participation is \$15 per dancer.

*This opportunity is for non-competitive dancers. Competitive dancers are automatically signed up to participate in a different section of the finale.

What hair style, tights, shoes, and/or accessories does my dancer need for recital?

Please see Hair_Tights document. All headpieces should be worn on dancer's right unless otherwise indicated. No visible undergarments or jewelry. Small earrings are permitted.

When and where is the dress rehearsal?

May 15 **Mandatory** Dress Rehearsal at Iroquois Middle School (full costume, hair, make-up)

4:30pm arrival, Creative Movement, Tiny, Parent/Child dancers

5pm arrival, Mini, Mini/Junior, Mini Comp

5:30 arrival, Junior, Junior Comp, Junior/Teen, Teen, Senior, Teen Comp, Senior Comp
(Specific order of dances at Dress Rehearsal TBA)

Where and when is the recital?

May 16 at Iroquois Middle School (full costume, hair, make-up)

What time does my dancer need to get to the recital?

10:30am Recital 9:30am arrival—Competitive dancers

10:00am arrival—Creative Movement, Tiny, Parent/Child

1:00pm show, 12pm arrival—All dancers

3:00pm show, 2:00pm arrival—All dancers

Where will my dancer be during the recital?

Dancers will remain backstage in the gym with our staff throughout each show. Parents will remain in the audience throughout each show. All dancers are expected to stay for the entire show.

*Creative Movement I dancers will sit on a parent's lap in the audience until it is their turn to perform.

Creative Movement I dancers do not need to purchase a ticket.

*Male dancers will have a separate space backstage and/or be permitted to sit in selected seats in the auditorium until it is their turn to perform. Male dancers do not need to purchase a ticket for these seats.

Should my dancer have their hair and make-up done before they arrive on the day of the recital?

Yes, hair and make-up should be done prior to arriving at the theatre.

If my dancer is in more than one dance, how will they know what dance is next and which costume to put on first?

Please print out the recital order (see emailed and posted file, Defying Gravity Order of Dances) and highlight your dancer's routines or write out a list. The staff backstage will help with all costume changes.

Where will my dancer change?

There will be various changing tents and areas set up in the gym.

If my dancer has a headpiece, where do I put it?

All headpieces should be worn on the dancer's right unless otherwise indicated.

Does my dancer have to wear make-up for the recital?

Make-up is optional for Creative Movement and Tiny dancers and encouraged for Mini, Junior, and Teen, and Senior dancers.

What make-up should I use?

Please follow these guidelines: Foundation, setting powder, brown eye shadow, black eye liner, black mascara, blush, lipstick (rose or berry shade; not bright red).

How much are the recital tickets and how do I purchase them?

Tickets for our 10:30am, 1pm, and 3pm shows will be \$13 each and available for online purchase through TutuTix at 10am on May 1. Tickets must be purchased online and in advance. Families will receive an emailed link for ticket purchase prior to May 1.

If you have dancers in multiple shows email ally@stilledancingstudioofballet for a discount code.

What is the performance fee for?

Families will receive an invoice on or around May 1 for a performance fee of \$75 per family. The performance fee includes an HD download of our recital (available a few weeks after the performance) and unlimited tickets to our recital livestream. It also allows us to put on the best show possible while keeping ticket prices low.

Please watch for this invoice in your email; it is billed separate from monthly tuition and not included in auto-pay.

Can I take pictures and record the recital?

No, Candlelight Productions will provide a professional recording of each of our shows. HD downloads will be available a few weeks after our performances. This cost is included in each family's performance fee. No additional purchase necessary.

Will the recital be livestreamed?

Yes, Our videographer, Candlelight Productions, will be providing a livestream of our recital for friends and family who are unable to attend in person. Unlimited livestream tickets are included with the performance fee.

Are there bathrooms close to the dressing room for my dancer to use?

Yes, there are bathrooms right near the gym that our staff will escort your dancer to if needed.

Can I send food and drink with my dancer?

Yes, you can send **nut free snacks** that will not melt on or stick to hands and/or costumes. **Please only send water to drink.**

After the recital, how do I get my dancer?

Please pick-up your dancer from the gym where you dropped them off. There will be sign-in and sign-out sheets posted on the wall.

Who should I contact if I have questions?

Ally ally@stilldancingstudioofballet.com 716 628 9125 (Please text for a quick response)