

Mount Laurel Showcase Information & Guidelines

WHERE: Burlington County Institute of Technology Medford Campus
10 Hawkin Rd, Medford, NJ 08055

WHEN: Friday June 21st & Saturday June 22nd (If you are unsure what show/shows your dancer is in please see the showcase assignment sheet)

Show A: Friday June 21st at 7pm- Doors will open for audience at 6:30 pm

Show B: Saturday June 22nd at 11am- Doors will open for audience at 10:30 am

Show C: Saturday June 22nd at 4pm- Doors will open for audience at 3:30pm

The doors will open for student arrival ONLY at the following call times:

Show A: 6pm

Show B: 10am

Show C: 3pm

All dancers must arrive on time at their call time that is listed above. This ensures that all students are accounted for and ready to perform!

Anyone arriving more than 15 minutes after the call time, will NOT be permitted to perform.

Please call the studio cell phone at 609-678-7704 if there is an emergency.

GUIDELINES:

- Students should arrive at the show dressed in their first costume (including tights) with their hair neatly done and makeup applied in the designated style. All hair accessories and headpieces should be securely attached upon arrival. Please don't allow your dancers to wear their dance shoes outside. Please have your dancers arrive in street shoes and bring their dance shoes separately.
- Students with various costume changes are permitted to bring laundry baskets and rolling suitcases if necessary. Rolling racks are not permitted.
- Parents are **not** permitted in the backstage area.

- Parents will drop off dancers to designated staff members in the lobby. Dancers will be escorted by staff members to their dressing areas *Parents are **NOT** permitted to remain in the lobby or theater once the child is dropped off. Parents may return when the doors open for the show to take their seats in the auditorium.
- **All students must stay for the entire duration of the show.** Only families who have already received approval for an early dismissal will be able to have their child leave prior to bows. If an emergency arises, please see the house manager. We will have plenty of activities to keep our younger dancers entertained :)
- At the end of the show, parents will not be permitted in the dressing rooms to secure the dancers' privacy. Dancers will be released from the door they checked-in at. One parent/guardian will be permitted to pick up their child(ren). Children under the age of 13 will not be released unless a parent
- Water and snacks such as pretzels and crackers are permitted backstage.(Please send disposable bags and water bottles to avoid any lost items) Soda, juice, chocolate and potato chips are **NOT** permitted in order to prevent costume stains. ***All Dressing Room Areas are Nut Free Zones please do not send your dancers backstage with snacks containing nuts***
- Students will be prohibited from changing in the bathrooms. Not only is it a safety hazard but allowing many students to change in the small bathroom will hold up the show and will stop audience members from being able to use the restroom. In order to make sure students feel comfortable while changing we will be creating blocked off changing areas in each of their dressing rooms. Students are always invited to wear a skin tone leotard underneath their costumes.
- All dancers must clean up after themselves prior to being dismissed. Bobby pins, water bottles and hairnets should NOT be left on the floor and/or tables and chairs in the dressing room. We are grateful that the school district is graciously hosting our show this year. Please support us in encouraging your children to respect the space :)

IMPORTANT STUDENT DISMISSAL INFORMATION:

At the conclusion of each show, once bows are complete, we ask that parents of students ages 3-11 years old wait outside of the drop off doors where they will be reunited with their child(ren). Once your dancer's class is ready to be dismissed, a staff member will come outside and announce that your dancer is ready for pick up. At that time, one adult can come up to the exit door to pick up their dancer. This will ensure that each dancer finds their way to the correct adult. Our pick up area is small so please be sure to wait outside until your dancer's class is called. This will help the dismissal process run smoothly.

Parents of dancers who are ages 12+ may remain in the theater. We will dismiss them to you from the stage. Unless the dancer drove themselves we will still need a parent physically in the auditorium for us to be able to dismiss them.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation on following dismissal procedures put in place to ensure the safety of all the children in the show. Their safety is our top priority.

PLEASE NOTE:

1. Flash photography, the use of cell phone/iPad use and any type of video recording device during the performance is strictly prohibited due to copyright laws. A professional recording of the show may be ordered. The link to order a professional digital video recording of the show has been emailed to you and is posted on our site at www.nextstagedance.com

Helpful Audience Etiquette Reminders:

1. Audience members should remain in their seats and only leave and enter the auditorium during a black out.
2. The use of cell phone/iPad applications, i.e. Facebook, email, texting, etc. is distracting to other audience members and performers.

3. Flash photography is very distracting and can be dangerous to the performers. In addition, it interferes with the theatrical lighting, video projections and other special effects. Photos can be taken; however, using a flash is prohibited.

Refunds for tickets, costumes, Stargrams and ADs will not be issued for any reason.

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to reach out!

You can reach us by phone: Barrington- (609)- 678- 7704, Mount Laurel- (856)-739-7063

Email us- info@nextstagedance.com or our SC Coordinator Alanna at alannadelgaldo@gmail.com Or ask any desk staff at either location :)

Thank you for your cooperation.

The staff and I, with your support, look forward to a fun performance for you and your family ☺

Miss Courtney, Ms. Alanna & the Next Stage Staff