DANCE STUDIO HANDBOOK

FOR RECITALS & CONCERTS

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QUICK REFERENCE STUDIO INFORMATION

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Recital / Concert Address: Foster City Amphitheatre Leo Ryan Park Foster City

Recital / Concert Date: Saturday June 12, 2021 Recital /Concert Time: To Be Assigned by Class

1/ General Recital / Concert Information

The opportunity to perform in a recital / concert is an exciting, empowering and confidencebuilding part of the training process. This is where we love to watch our students learn about the theatre, rehearsals, and teamwork while they enjoy the opportunity to showcase their skills in a professionally run production. Recitals/concerts are a wonderful way for students to showcase the results of their hard work and for family and friends to join in the pride of their achievement. We love giving all students the chance to perform for their family and friends in this supportive and fun environment and encourage even our youngest and newest performers to be involved. If there is any reason why your child will not be able to perform at the concert on the dates and times provided in this handbook, please let us know by email so we can make amendments to the class routines involving them.

In terms of attendance, it is very important that students do not miss any of their scheduled classes between now and recital/concert time so they can spend their rehearsal time together to perform their routines, feel confident and look amazing. If your child is sick for class but well enough to come and watch with no fever, this is preferable to missing out altogether. If for any reason your child will miss any of their regular classes, we ask that you contact reception on (650) 516-6056 to let us know in advance. Please note that unfortunately any families with unpaid dance or costume fees will not be allowed to participate in our recital / concert.

This is without doubt the highlight of our year and we are giddy with excitement to show you how hard our dancers have been working!

2/ Celebration

We appreciate that recital/concert day can be a long and tiring one, especially for our youngest dancers. For this reason, we will not be holding a formal presentation ceremony, but would love to invite all of our dance families to join us for a virtual celebration and party on Friday June 18 @ 7pm. This is a great chance to join the kids in showing off some dance moves and partying in a fun and relaxed environment. You won't want to miss it!

3/ Concert times and location

This year our recital/concert will be held at Foster City Amphitheatre located at Leo J. Ryan Park 650 Shell Blvd, Foster City CA 94404 Parking on Hillsdale Street or lot by community center.

The show will kick off at 10am and conclude at approximately 3pm. Selected performance times will be announced and emailed out for your child's class performance time.

Performers are required to arrive no later than <15 minutes before prior performance time> with their hair and makeup done.

In order for us to give all students as much stage-time as possible, we have divided our classes into separate concerts. We know that our dancers love to perform their routines and show off their hard work as much as possible, and we are thrilled to be able to offer more seating and ticket opportunities by dividing our recital/concert into groups.

To Be Announced **SHOW #1** Students Performing – Date and Time -

SHOW #2 Students Performing -Date and Time -

SHOW #3 Students Performing -Date and Time-

SHOW #4 Students Performing -Date and Time -

SHOW #5 Students Performing -Date and Time -

SHOW #6 Students Performing -Date and Time –

4/ Rehearsals

*** THIS YEAR 20221 WILL BE YOUR 30 Minute Private Session with Ms. Roxanne******

FOR SHOW 2022--Here at Coastside Dance School, dress and technical rehearsals are a super important part of preparing for our recital/concert. This is where we get to see the costumes working on stage in a group to really compliment the dances your children have been working so hard on throughout the year. It gives us a chance to make any adjustments and ensure that everyone has time to get ready between their dances. We can see if any costumes are missing hairpieces or need to be taken in by our experienced costume designers.

Even more importantly, it gives the stars of our show a chance to get up and rehearse on the big stage – a very different environment than they are used to within the studio walls. They can overcome some of the jitters that may hit when the bright lights come on and really prepare themselves for the show ahead. It is a fun and rewarding experience and a great chance to play with their friends and watch some inspiring dancers as they wait for their turn in the spotlight.

Dress rehearsal will be held at <private virtual or in person appointment> on < sent out on website>. Students will need to arrive by <TBA> and bring along all of their costumes, hair and makeup items for the concert. This includes hairspray, bobby pins, bun pins, hairnets, stockings, socks, hair ties and safety pins.

Students will be signed into the venue upon arrival by their responsible parent or guardian and will be supervised through the duration of rehearsal. Students cannot leave the premises without being signed out by a parent.

All costume and clothing items must be clearly labelled and children are asked to bring a healthy lunch and snacks with a bottle of water – all labelled with your child's full name. Our staff and volunteers will ensure that children are reminded to drink water regularly and eat their lunches at the allocated time.

Parents and staff members who are volunteering to help at the recital / concert will also need to be available for Dress Rehearsal day to ensure they understand their roles and can see how everything will be run on show day.

5/ Photo Day

We are so excited to have our fabulous professional photographers taking snaps of our dancers to create some wonderful keepsakes from our recital/concert. Photo day will take place in Pacifica or Photographer's South San Francisco Studio on Sunday May 23 and will involve all of our hardworking dancers. This is mandatory to attend. Performers will be photographed in full costume with hair and make-up done just as they would have for the show. Due to time restrictions, we will only be able to shoot individual photo and siblings per dance group. If you wish to arrange another time for class friends or family group photos in Concert Costumes,

please contact us for a separate time slot. Exact times for the groups on photo day will be given out a bit closer to the date, but please try to keep the day free until we can advise in more detail.

During the photo shoot, we cannot allow parents or friends to take photos of students posed and in costume during our official Photo Day, as it can be very distracting and compromise the quality of our reasonably-priced professional photographs. Photos can be purchased from www.BijouBlue.com and prices are as follows:

> Bijou Blue PHOTOGRAPHY

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WALLETS (8)	\$ 15	DIGITAL FILE	\$ 30
3.5 x 5	\$ 9	ALL DIGITAL FILES	\$ 165
4 x 6	\$ 11	KEYCHAIN	\$ 13
5 x 7	\$ 13	MAGNET	\$ 13
6 x 8	\$ 15	BUTTON	\$ 13
8 x 10	\$ 18		

WWW.BIJOUBLUE.COM

6/ Tickets

Tickets for our recital/concert will go on sale to the public on Jan. 21 and can be purchased from your parent portal thru The Studio Director Merchandise section. Start by going to <u>www.CoastsideDanceSchool.com</u> and logging into your portal.

To ensure our dancers get to perform and show off their hard work to a full audience, we have kept ticket prices very reasonable. Adult tickets can be purchased for \$10 each. All persons 0-120 years old are required to have a ticket for accurate head count for San Mateo County Health Department.

We also ask that you consider our dancers and other audience members when bringing young children to watch, and if they become loud, distressed or disturb any other audience members, to please take them to another area outside to let off a bit of steam before returning to enjoy the rest of the show so not cause a distraction to dancers and audience members.

7/ Costumes

Costume Ordering: Go to https://www.shopnimbly.com/CoastsideDanceSchool

<u>*****DARK TAN for TIGHTS and SHOES for all costumes</u> ***If you already own black, that is fine.

----order Shoes .5-1 size larger to grow into by June.

How to size:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0OhE5EgWQrM

Sizing tips:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IZInULsjRCY

Caring for your Costumes

You shouldn't have to wash your costume, but if you do.....when washing your costumes, please ensure they are washed in cold water only on a gentle cycle, preferably using a lingerie wash-bag to ensure that they are not damaged. Costumes should not be tumble-dried, and take care not to over-expose them to direct sunlight.

Any costumes with sequins or embellishments must be hand washed in cold water.

8/ Shoes & Stockings

Ballet students will require pink ballet shoes (no ribbons) and Dark tan ballet tights.

Jazz/Tap/Hip-Hop students will require Tan/caramel tap shoes with either buckles or laces. Black shoes ok if you already have.

Underwear must be skin-coloured and must not be visible beneath your child's costume.

Please have your child wear either no under wear or recital/concert underwear to photo day so we can ensure it is appropriate.

9/ Finale

NOT THIS YEAR 2021 SHOW**

FOR 2022 SHOW----One of our favourite parts of the recital / concert is our huge group finale in which all students come together on stage as a team for one final dance. Your finale costume will be one of our NEW studio T-shirts, which can be worn as part of our uniform next year. Make sure to check out the sample designs and sizes in our reception area so you can order the correct size. The cost of these shirts

We will be having a finale rehearsal on <DATE> from <TIME>. It is important for all students to attend so we can see what the final product will look and feel like on stage and the dancers have an opportunity to see what it will be like to dance on stage with groups who they don't usually perform with.

10/ Grooming – Hair and Makeup

Pre-schoolers: Make up for this group is foundation, pink blush and eyeshadow, mascara (if they will let you!) and pink lipstick. Hair will be ponytail in the middle of their head and secure headpiece tightly secured. Lite make up is fine so we can see their face.

Elementary/Middle School Students : Hair in ponytail in the middle of their head and must be neatly slicked with gel and hairspray (no flyaway bits please). Hair piece tightly secured. Make up for this group is foundation, blush, grey eyeshadow, mascara, eyeliner and dark pink or red lipstick.

11/ Recital/Concert procedures

As always, the safety of our dance family is our #1 priority. When students arrive at the rehearsal and recital / concert they are to be seated and stay with their parent or guardian.

Students are not permitted to leave the venue while the rehearsal and concert is running until after their show time slot.

Only Coastside Dance School staff and registered parent helpers are permitted one the side or backstage. We are unable to run messages or food to students, so please make sure they have everything before they come backstage for rehearsal and the recital/concert.

Please try not to bring anything valuable, especially electronic devices. Mobile phones are not to be taken side of stage or backstage or in the changing areas during the concert. Our studio and the venue will take no responsibility if an item is damaged, misplaced, lost or stolen.

****Private videography and photography is fine for the outdoor show. However, please be mindful and courteous of audience members around you and dancers performing so that you are not distracting.

<u>A specific section will be taped off for one parent of each family to come down to seat in the</u> <u>front and take photos/videos during your child's dance.</u> Otherwise feel free to sit back and enjoy the show in the moment!

Explicit language, inappropriate attire, offensive clothing and criminal behaviour will not be tolerated. Consuming alcohol and smoking are not permitted. **NO FOOD OR DRINKS ARE ALLOWED IN AMPITHEATRE.**

ALL students are to have their name marked off when they arrive at the venue. If your child has any Medical Conditions that may require attention whilst in our care or are carrying any medication with them, please notify our supervisors when you sign in. Arrive with hair and makeup done and already dressed in 1st costume.

12/ What to bring

All children must bring a clearly labelled water bottle, shoe bag, make up bag, and costume garment bag. Label shoes, tights, and dance underwear. You may want to bring extra hair gel, hair elastics, bobby pins, and safety pins. Please ensure any medication required is packed and clearly labelled with instructions. LABEL EVERYTHING and can also put photo on garment bag!!!

NO FOOD AND DRINK only water while in costume and in Amphitheatre- Costumes are easily ruined by food and drink stains. Health Department will not allow food or drink in Amphitheatre.

Children are discouraged from bringing any valuables including phones, iPods, iPads and laptops as the venue and *Coastside Dance School* will not take responsibility for any items lost, damaged or stolen.

Please let us know if you have any questions. (650) 516-6056

THANK YOU FOR BEING APART OF OUR SHOW and CAN'T WAIT FOR YOU TO SEE YOUR CHILD DANCING ON STAGE!!!!