



School Showcase 2021

Celestial Stars

Dear Chattanooga Dance Theatre Students and Parents,

It is the time of year when we are preparing for our School Showcase that will be performed on Sunday, May 23rd. We will have two shows, a 2pm and a 6pm. Most dancers will only be involved in one of these shows, but some will perform in both. The dress rehearsals and performances will take place outside at The Red Bank Park at 3800 Dayton Blvd. This year our theme is Celestial Stars. We've got dances of constellations, Star Wars, Wishing Upon a Star, and more planned for the fun event. In classes Primary-Advanced students will be learning their dance and teachers are planning choreography and costumes.

Attendance and Tuition Payments

It is especially important that all dancers attend class regularly. If a dancer misses more than three days of the same class in March, April, or May, he or she will not be able to perform in the School Showcase. The dress rehearsal for the performance is mandatory. All dancers must be enrolled and paid for March, April, and May to participate in the performance. **Once your May tuition is paid (May tuition is due with April tuition on April 1st) and account has no outstanding fees, your child will be given their costume. No costumes will be issued if you have not paid May tuition. If a dancer misses the dress rehearsal on Saturday, May 22nd, he or she will not be allowed to perform on the 23rd.**

Performance Fees

The all-inclusive cost to perform is \$125 and includes participation in the performance, one simple costume, a video of the show, Celestial Stars T-shirt, and professional photographs of the performance. If your child is involved in more than one performing class, you will need to pay an additional \$35 for each additional costume/piece. **Performance fees are due March 15th.** Some advanced classes may be renting company costumes for the School Showcase, in which the \$35 payment is a rental and altering fee and not a purchase of these more expensive costumes. If you are taking multiple classes of the same genre you will only perform in one piece per genre. Ballet and Pointe will have separate pieces. Please see your teachers about which class you will perform with. All ballet classes require dancers to have pink or skin colored ballet slippers with matching pink or skin-colored tights, and the correct color leotard for the grade level. Because costumes are ordered and contracts are made with photographers and videographers in advance, no refunds can be given after March 20th for School Showcase performance fees. Teachers may also require dancers to have additional things for the performance. You will be notified of these items before April 2nd. The following classes will be performing in the School Showcases. Please note whether you are in the 2pm or 6pm show.

2 pm Show

Order in Performance	Class Name	Time Class Meets Regularly
1	Ballet VIII-Advanced Pointe	Saturdays 10:30
2	Acro IV-VI	Mondays 4:45-5:30
3	Primary Dance Tuesdays	Tuesdays 5pm
4	Ballet VIII-Advanced	Wednesdays 6:30
5	Ballet I	Mondays 4:30
6	Hip-Hop Flip-Flop II-III	Fridays 4:45
7	Ballet V-VI	Tuesdays 5:30
8	Meg's Senior Solo	Weekday rehearsal
9	Ballet IV-V	Mondays 6:00
10	Hip-Hop IV-IV	Thursdays 5:45
11	Trinity's Senior Solo	Weekday Rehearsal
12	Modern and Jazz II	Tuesdays 5:30
13	Primary Dance Thursdays	Thursdays 4:45
14	Ballet III-IV	Wednesdays 5:30
15	Modern VIII-Advanced	Mondays 6:00
16	Modern and Jazz I	Mondays 5:15
17	Modern and Jazz III	Fridays 5:45
18	Acro VII-Advanced	Thursday 5:30pm
19	Ballet II	Tuesdays 4:30
20	Modern and Jazz IV-V	Wednesdays 6:45
21	Jazz VIII-Advanced	Thursdays 6:30

6pm Show

Order in Performance	Class Name	Time Class Meets Regularly
1	Ballet VIII-Advanced Pointe	Saturdays 10:30
2	Ballet I-II	Saturdays 9:15
3	Jazz VI-VII	Fridays 6:15
4	Shelby's Senior Piece	Weekday Rehearsal
5	Primary Dance Saturdays	Saturdays 9:00
6	Ballet VIII-Advanced	Wednesdays 6:30
7	Ballet VII	Wednesdays 5:00
8	Ballet VI-VII	Thursdays 5:45
9	Ballet VII-Advanced Pointe	Tuesdays 6:00
10	Modern VIII-Advanced	Mondays 6:00
11	Modern and Jazz I-II	Saturdays 10:00
12	Acro VII-Advanced	Thursdays 5:30
13	Hip-Hop VII-Advanced	Fridays 7:30
14	Modern VI-VII	Fridays 5pm
15	Jazz VIII-Advanced	Mondays 6pm

Dress Rehearsal, Saturday May 22nd

All dancers and family please have a seat in the grass in front of the stage. We will take dancers to their dressing room area together.

Rehearsal for 2pm Show

- 8:45am Call for levels IV and higher in the 2pm Show
- 9-9:30 Warm-up (levels VII and higher on the stage. Levels IV-VI in the grass with outdoor shoes on)
- 9:30 Call (Show up time) for Levels Primary-III in 2pm **Red Group**. Please report to the grass in front of the stage.
- 9:40-11:30 Rehearse each piece in the 2pm **Red Group**
- 11 Call (Show up time) for Levels Primary-III in 2pm **Yellow Group**. Please report to the grass in front of the stage.
- 11:30-11:40 Practice Bows for 2pm Show (Dancers in the 2pm **Red Group** who do not have other pieces to perform may leave after bows. Please ensure you keep your costume and dressing area is clean)
- 11:40-1:30 Rehearse each piece in the 2pm **Yellow Group** (once dancers have completed their rehearsals, and ensured their dressing areas are tidy, they may leave)

Rehearsal for 6pm Show

- 1:15 Call for dancers in levels IV and higher in the 6pm show (if not already at theater)
- 1:30-2 Warm Up for Levels VII-Advanced on the stage, Levels IV-VI in the grass with outdoor shoes on (dancers who participated in the 2pm warm up need not attend)
- 2:00 Call for Primary- Level III in 6pm **Teal Group** of the 6pm show. Please report to the grass in front of the stage.
- 2:20-3:30 Rehearse each piece in the 6pm **Teal Group**
- 3:00 Call (show up time for Levels Primary-III in the 6pm **Pink Group**. Please report to the grass in front of the stage.
- 3:30-3:40 Practice Bows for 6pm Show (Dancers in the 6pm **Teal Group** who do not have other pieces to perform may leave after bows)
- 3:40-5:00 Rehearse each piece in the 6pm **Pink Group** (once dancers have completed their rehearsal, taken off their costumes, and insured their dressing rooms are tidy, they may leave)

Performance Day, Sunday, May 23rd

Dancers can report directly to their dressing areas.

2pm Show

- 12:15 Call for dancers in levels IV+
- 12:30 Warm up for dancers in levels IV+
- 1:30 Call for Primary and Levels I-III Dancers- Report to dressing rooms
- 2:00 Performance Begins
- 3:45ish Show Ends

6pm Show

4:15 Call for dancers in levels IV+

4:30 Warm Up for dancers in levels IV+

5:30 Call for Primary and Levels I-III Dancers- Report to dressing rooms

6pm Performance Begins

7:30ish Show Ends

Dancers may not leave the performance on May 23rd early. Parents must politely watch the entire show and pick up their children at the end of the performance.

Costumes, Hair, Make-up and Dressing Rooms

While we will be renting curtains for dressing rooms, we ask that dancers not fully undress at the park. All dancers who have one piece should arrive in costume. Dancers who have multiple pieces should wear a base layer (skin-colored leotard in most cases) so that full undressing is not necessary to change from costume to costume. Hair and make-up should be already prepared in accordance with the teacher's instruction (usually a bun). Young dancers can wear brown eye shadow, pink blush, and pink lip stick. Older dancers (Level VI+) will have instruction on hair and makeup. There are bathrooms at the park, however, there are only a few, please have all dancers and attending family go potty before arrival to keep the lines down at the toilets.

Tickets, Fundraising, and Seating

There are no ticket costs this year to attend in person. Yep, you heard that right this is a FREE performance! To offset the cost of the performance and pay for staff time we will however hold fundraisers during the event:

- There are 6 benches already set up at the park. You can purchase a bench (seats 2-3) for \$30 (tickets available April 22nd on your DSP Account)
- We will be selling virtual tickets in which 100 people can watch live on Zoom. Cost for these tickets is \$10 with a \$1 processing fee. Tickets will become available April 22nd and must be purchased no later than May 22nd.
- Program Advertisements: Both business and personal advertisements will be available for purchase. More information to come.
- Flowers: We will send out a link for purchase in April. If you would like to have flowers ready for your child at the performance, we will have a florist bring those to the event!
- Donations: Because the income of the School Showcase often carries us through the summer and it has been a challenging year for the studio, we will be accepting donations at the School Showcase.

Volunteers are requested in the following areas:

- Set up and Strike Crew
- Ticket Sales
- Ushers
- Dressing Room Attendants

Many volunteers will be working backstage, but we will arrange schedules so that all may be in the audience when their child is performing. Volunteers will receive a \$20 gift certificate to The Batterie dance store. Please sign up in the office to volunteer at the School Showcase. Sign-up will be available after Spring Break.

Participation

It is assumed that all dancers enrolled in participating classes, will be dancing in the School Showcase. If your dancer is not able to perform, know that you do not need to take a break from their dance education. Most class will still be technique based and they can still practice the dance in the studio. Please inform your teacher as soon as possible if your dancer will not participate in the School Showcase.

Thank you for supporting your dancer and Chattanooga Dance Theatre. If you have any questions do not hesitate to contact the office or your teacher.

Sincerely,

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