

Showcase Success Packet 2018

"Dancing through Life!"

Dear Parents and Students –

Students have been working hard all year! Our Spring Showcase is their time to SHINE! A big part of our students' training process is learning through performance. Our annual Showcase allows students to participate in a professionally run production. This experience helps build self-esteem, self-assurance, and contributes to the satisfaction of working towards a goal.

Whether this is their first or 20th show, some students will be very excited about performing on stage, while others a little nervous. These are all very normal emotions. Students who get on stage have made huge strides, as many adults are afraid to be in front of an audience. We encourage our students to do their best and have fun. Your participation in the process is important as well.

Please take time to read the information contained in this packet. It will answer many of your questions regarding Showcase. We are producing 3 shows this year. Please carefully check the attached lists to find out which dress rehearsal time(s) and show(s) your student is in. Also note: the times to report are different for each show. Many years of experience have shaped our views on how to have successful Showcases and we ask that you help us make this the best experience it can be for your student. Please sign the **Showcase agreement** form (pg 8 in this packet) by April 9, 2018. Return optional order forms for Showcase gifts by April 14, 2018.

If you have questions not answered in this packet, feel free to call us at 205-7909 (Fountain) 487-9271 (Gleneagle) or email us At danceartacad@gmail.com.

Looking forward to a great show,
Dance Art Academy Studios

Important Dates

Showcase
Agreement due:
April 9, 2018

Picture Week:
Fountain: April 9-13
Gleneagle: April 23-28

All Orders due:
April 14, 2018

Dress Rehearsal
May 11, 2018

Showcase
May 12, 2018

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Required Dress Rehearsals for SELECT Classes/ Students

Location: Louisa Performing Arts Center Colorado Springs School (CSS)
21 Broadmoor Avenue, Colorado Springs CO 80906



This year we will be having Dress Rehearsal for SELECT classes. This means your dancer may or may not be needed at Dress Rehearsal. Below you will find a list of who is needed for Dress Rehearsal. If your performer is not needed for Dress Rehearsal do not worry we will be having them practice in front of other classes the week before the performance. This still gives the performers the "audience" feel!

Dress Rehearsal Check in time: See list below. Students must arrive at check in time but not early – staff / volunteers will be available at time listed to check in and supervise your child(ren). In order to run the rehearsal on schedule, we will not be able to wait for students who are late. All students need to be checked into the auditorium of the Colorado Springs School. Watch for signs/people directing you to the drop off location. The adult who brings them will be given a student information index card at drop off and must return the card in order to pick up the student. Only assigned volunteers will be allowed backstage/in waiting areas. There are waiting areas outside the theater inside the building.

Students must be checked out where they were checked in by an adult immediately after they are done with their rehearsal. We try to run an efficient rehearsal but please be flexible. The adult picking up the student must have the student information index card in order to pick up the student after their last rehearsal for the night.

Required Dress Rehearsals for SELECT Students

5:15 CHECK-IN - 8:00pm Out of space

Encore Orange - South
Encore Yellow - South
Encore Yellow - North
Encore Orange - North
Opening Production Dancers - ALL
Ballet 3-5 South - Jasmine

Kari's Workshop Dancers
Kari's Invitation Ballet - Tuesday
Musical Theatre 1 - South - Hannah/Kari
Musical Theatre 2 - South - Hannah/Kari
Variations - Kari
Ballet 2 - South - Jasmine



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Saturday May 12th

CALL TIME 9:00 AM	CALL TIME 1:00 PM	CALL TIME 5:00 PM
<u>10:00AM SHOW</u>	<u>2:00PM SHOW</u>	<u>6:00PM SHOW</u>
OPENING NUMBER	OPENING NUMBER	OPENING NUMBER
Guitar-Grace Harless	Piano(N)-Jonah Illsley	Voice Madison James
Guitar-Bryanna Doonan	Piano-Tyler Co-Archer	Piano-Aurora Toland
Piano-Edwin Stinson	Piano-Katie Panique	Guitar-Hayden Fast
Piano-Trevon Salas	Piano-Julia Fankhauser	Jazz 2 Heidi
Karate	Piano-Owen Jensen	Jr. Baby Jazz Amy
Preschool Dance Mon PM TC	Guitar- Savannah Martinez	Modern 4/6 Heidi
Hip Hop (NORTH) SB	Jazz 3 Heidi	Encore Orange & Encore Yellow(S) Jasmine
Ms. Kari's Workshop	Preschool Dance WED Tenika	Broadway 1/2 (NORTH) Sofia
Encore Yellow (North) Jasmine	Variations-Haylee	Variations-Jack
Open Tap Heidi	Tap 2/3 Heidi	Ballet 1A /1B MON Amy
Encore Orange North (Musha) HM	Ballet 1A Tue Jasmine	Ballet 1B THU Sofia
Ballet 3/5 Jasmine	Kinder Ballet MON Kari	Jazz (SOUTH) Tue Heidi
Preschool Dance MON (10) Kari	Contemporary (SOUTH) Tue HM	Ballet 2C/3A Thu Alex A.
Ballet 1B MON Jasmine	Encore Yellow (NORTH) Jasmine	Ballet 1A/1B FRI (Ballet) Amy
Modern 2 Heidi	Adult Hip Hop Sofia	Hip Hop (SOUTH) THU Sofia
Musical Theater Jr. Kari	Ballet 3/5 & Ballet 2 Jasmine	Ms. Kari's Workshop
Encore Orange (S) Jasmine	Modern 3 Heidi	Encore Yellow (SOUTH) Jasmine
Encore Yellow (North) Jasmine	Encore Orange(SOUTH) Heidi	Ballet 1A/1B FRI (Tap) Amy
Ballet 1A WED Jasmine	Tappin Tots Fri Alex A	Musical Theater 2 Kari
Preschool Dance MON(930) Kari	Encore Orange (NORTH) Student HM	Ballet 2A/B THU Alex A.
Jazz 4/6 Heidi	Kinder/ Pre Ballet FRI Alex A.	Ms. Kari's Invitation Class TUE
Ms. Kari's Invitation Class TUE	Musical Theater 1 Kari	Jazz 4/6 Heidi
	Ballet 3's FRI Jasmine	Encore Orange (SOUTH) Jasmine
	Ballet Tots FRI Alex A.	
	Acro Tenika	
	All ENCORE (N&S) HM&JW	

****5 & 10 Year Awards will be given out at the 2PM Show****

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What to wear/bring to Dress Rehearsal and Showcase

What to Wear:

Dance students: should come to the theater in full costume. They wear the costume for the first class performance and bring additional costume w/shoes and tights if needed in a labeled costume bag with makeup and hair done.

Note: We will not change costumes for dress rehearsals unless your student is in Dance Company.

Bring dance shoes in a bag - best practice - carry them in the costume bag – do not wear outside. Dance students should not wear jewelry of any kind (no earrings, necklaces, watches, rings (unless wedding) etc., no nail polish, no underwear with leotard based costumes (tights are a dancer's undergarment.) Dancers should wear a supportive nude bra if necessary – most costumes will require strapless. You must pin the bra to the costume so it will not show.



If your student has costume changes they **must wear a nude leotard** with spaghetti straps under their costumes for ease in costume changing – see front desk to order asap if you don't have one. Dance students must wear stage make-up. The amount will depend on age. Make-up instructions will be handed out during picture week. ALL dancers will have hair in a classical ballet bun, unless told differently from the student's teacher – this info will be handed out in April. Make up kits will be available for sale at each studio. Hair kits will also be available. All female dancers MUST use a hair net and lots of hairspray to eliminate fly aways.



Music Students: Piano / Voice / Guitar students should wear their "Sunday best".

Karate Plus Students: uniform (KP t-shirt, black exercise pants), if girl - hair should be pulled back neatly away from face in low ponytail.

What to bring:

Students will not be allowed to eat during the Dress Rehearsals or Showcase. Bottled water is allowed and encouraged. Please plan accordingly and feed students prior to arriving at the theater. *Note: If your student is in all 3 Shows please provide them with a packed lunch. (NO PEANUTS)*

Students should bring a book to read or other quiet activity. Bring light jacket or sweater in case waiting areas are chilly. **No messy activities please** (i.e. markers, playdough, etc.)

Please label all items, we are not responsible for lost items. Music students should bring instruments/music, etc. Dancers should bring extra tights – every year a few students have runs in their tights before they perform.



Drop Off/Pick Up Instructions for ALL Students Dress Rehearsals and Showcases at Colorado Springs School

Please have students arrive no earlier than the check-in time as staff will not be ready to check-in until that time. Please escort them to the designated spot for drop off. (lots of signs) You will be given a student information index card – you must keep this card for student pick up after they are done rehearsing for dress rehearsal and after the end of the Showcase. Please be patient, the check in process takes time to ensure everyone gets to the right spot. Students who do not arrive on-time may miss their rehearsal/performance. Dress Rehearsal pick up is immediately after they finish on stage at drop off location.

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For Showcase, out of respect for the other performers, students will not be dismissed prior to the end of their Showcase. Every year we have upset parents because we will not allow them to pick up their student early. The shows are approximately 1.5 - 2 hours long so plan accordingly if you are making plans for later in the day. For the safety of the students, parents will not be allowed backstage or in the waiting areas during the show unless they are an assigned parent volunteer. When picking up your student, give the card to a staff member or parent volunteer and they will get your student from the waiting area. Volunteers are needed! Please sign up at desks or a volunteer spot email will be sent out.

General Information - Please read!

Accounts: All accounts must have a zero balance by April 25th for students to participate in the Showcase.



Costumes (for dancers): Costumes will be distributed to take home after they arrive/are tried on in class. Costumes are not replaceable – please DO NOT let your child wear them at home to play in, dress up in, etc. You are responsible for them when they leave the studio. They need to look great for show day. Costumes may need adjusting by parents to ensure best fit for each child. Costumes cannot be washed in a washer and dryer. They are dry clean only. We strongly suggest not dry cleaning them until after the Showcase. They should be hung in a dry place until they are worn. Costumes that are wrinkled should be hung in a bathroom and the steam will release the wrinkles. They can also be gently steamed. DO NOT iron.



Showcase Picture Week: Fountain Picture Week is April 9 - 13 Gleneagle Picture Week is April 23 - 28 Group and Individual Pictures will be taken for Dance students, Karate Plus and Music students during their class time (Note: Music students will take a group picture on Thursday at 7:30pm (7:30 lesson will run a bit late). All students are expected to attend this week. We will be doing costume checks and will rehearse if there is time. Dancers should wear their Showcase costume and all accessories. Karate Plus students will wear their KP shirt and black pants or uniform. Music students should wear "Sunday best". Students can wear light makeup for pictures if parents want them to. Too much makeup in pictures will not look good. NO STAGE MAKEUP for pictures.



Pictures at Rehearsal and Showcase: NO photography is allowed. This is strictly enforced. It causes confusion for the dancers and could result in injury. It is also disrupting to the audience. We have secured a professional photographer to take pictures during the Showcases. They will be available for purchase online after the Showcase. We will send you a link to view pictures once available. There will be a media packet that includes the video and performance pictures.

Backstage: Only parents/staff with assigned volunteer or staff badges will be permitted backstage or in the waiting areas during the dress rehearsal and Showcase. See volunteer sign up information if you are interested in volunteering.

Seating: Doors will open 30 minutes prior to showtime. Seating is first come first served. You may NOT reserve (save) more than 4 seats per family. Seating is general admission. Everyone needs a ticket. Ages 2 and under can sit on lap without ticket. If they want their own seat, a ticket is required. Each dancer gets 2 tickets with showcase fee (charged April 2). Additional tickets available for \$12. All shows generally sell out.



Flowers: Flower bouquets to give to performers/teachers should be preordered – see attached form. Flowers or gifts should not be given to the performer until after the Showcase when they are picked up.

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Volunteers: We need parent volunteers for every class (2 for the younger classes) to help backstage and a few to help in other areas. Volunteers will get to see their student(s) perform. If you would like to volunteer, please go see the sign up at the front desk. We would love to have you participate in this great event.

- ★ **Ticket Taker** -take/scan tickets starting 30 minutes before show/greet guests/need for show only/get one ticket to see show.
- ★ **Security** - Arrive 15 minutes before student report time, be available to watch for unsafe activity, flash photography during show and video during show – all not permitted/get one ticket to see show
- ★ **Super Mom** - supervise students in our waiting area/escort student to and from stage, Super Moms get to watch their students performance from reserved seats close to stage/ **MUST** be able to be at dress rehearsal for assigned class/we try to assign you to your child's class but may need help elsewhere.
- ★ **Backstage/Props/Set** – Arrive 45 minutes before show starts, helps set scenery/music equipment, etc. on stage, help take off stage. Open/Close stage curtains as needed, guide students off stage. See show from stage wings.

A Volunteer meeting will be scheduled for early April!

Videography: We have arranged for a professional videographer to video tape our Shows. Due to safety concerns for our students, copyright issues and because our Showcase is open to the public – videotaping of the show by the audience is not permitted. This is common policy for any production. Our choreography is copyrighted and it is against the law to video without permission. In order to protect students from someone using their video for illegal purposes, we are limiting videotaping to our professional videographer. Violation of this policy would result in dismissal from the Showcase and confiscation of video tape.



**Absolutely no videos of any performance may be posted on YouTube/Social Media – we have several students who have not given permission for their video to be taken and DAA wants to ensure their privacy as well as manage what material and image of DAA is shown to the public. A Media order form is due April 14th.

Showcase Agreement: See attached form – must be filled out and turned in by April 9th.

Showcase Program Personal Ads: Family and friends may wish their performer good luck or give them a “shout out” by placing an ad in our program. Each family gets a program as a souvenir (1 per family/distributed at dress rehearsal) additional programs are \$8. See attached ad order form if you want to place an ad or purchase additional commemorative programs. This program will be a full page (8.5x11) magazine in full color with a semi-gloss finish and will be a keepsake for dancers and their families.



Tickets: Each student will receive 2 tickets to one Showcase of choice per enrollment policies. These tickets will be distributed at the Front Desk. Please claim yours early so that any extras can be opened up for those who need additional tickets. Additional Tickets go on sale **April 2, 2018**. Additional tickets are \$12.00 and can be purchased at the front desk. Children under age 2 on lap do not need a ticket. Seating is general admission. All seats in the theater are very good. Limited tickets, based on availability, will be available the day of the Showcases for \$15 at the door. To ensure ticket availability, purchase early.

Questions: Please contact us at (South) 719-205-7909 (North) 719-487-9271

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Due by:
April 9, 2018

I, _____, give permission for my student(s), _____, to participate in the DanceArt Academy Studios Spring Showcase. I have read and will abide by the policies listed in the Showcase Information Packet including the requirement for students to stay until the end of the show. I understand that if my student misses dress rehearsal, he/she will not be allowed to participate in Showcase. I also understand that if my student misses more than 1 class between March 1 and May 1 my student might need (at instructor/director's discretion) a private lesson to get caught up on choreography/lessons. There will be a charge for these extra lessons. I understand that videotaping and taking pictures of the Showcase is strictly prohibited and agree not to videotape the Showcase and inform my guests about this policy. I also understand that kindness and respect will be shown to staff and volunteers at all times in order to make this a great experience for all involved.

Parent Signature

Date

- Please verify the spelling of your student's name when you turn in this form.
- Order forms turned in.
- Is your dancer a 5 year DanceArt Academy Student? (please check)
- Is your dancer a 10 year DanceArt Academy Student? (please check)

Office use only:

- Verified Name
- Balance paid in full
- Costume

Date: _____ Staff Initial _____

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