

Dancers Only

“Just Wanna Dance”

Recital Information Packet 2009

The recital **INFORMATION SHEET** that is attached *must* be filled out and turned in by May 4th by everyone-even if not ordering items. Please find listed below a quick date reference of important upcoming events to mark on your calendar. More detailed information is included in this newsletter about these events. **Thank You!**

RECITAL TICKETS

Go on sale – Saturday, May 2nd 9:00a.m.-12:00p.m. @ Dancers Only - \$12 each

CLASS GROUP PICTURES

Thursday, May 7th @ Dancers Only

THERE WILL BE NO CLASSES HELD ON THIS DAY. * SEE ATTACHED SCHEDULE

INDIVIDUAL PICTURES

Saturday, May 9th @ Dancers Only - *SIGN UP SHEET AT FRONT DESK

FULL DRESS REHEARSAL

Thursday, June 18th @ Chippewa Valley H.S. - Henrichsen Auditorium

18300 Nineteen Mile Road, Clinton Twp., MI

(Located on 19 mile between Garfield & Romeo Plank)

RECITAL

Friday, June 19th @ Chippewa Valley H.S. - Henrichsen Auditorium

(see location listed above)

TICKETS – Will go on sale at the dance studio beginning Saturday, May 2nd from 9:00 am until 12:00pm. There will be assigned seating and tickets will be available on a first come, first serve basis. There is no limit to how many are purchased. Ticket prices are \$12 each. There are **NO refunds** on tickets purchased.

PICTURES - Group pictures will be taken at Dancers Only on Thursday, May 7th -* **see attached class group schedule for this day**. There is **no charge** to be in the class group picture. These pictures will be displayed at the studio during next year's dance season. There will be no classes held on this day. Individual Pictures will be taken at Dancers Only on Saturday, May 9th. A signup sheet to schedule your dancer's individual pictures is posted at the front desk. Please sign up one time slot for each costume that your dancer will be photographed in. You will need to show up approximately 10 minutes prior to your scheduled picture time, already in costume and make-up. Individual picture packages are to be paid for on picture day. **Please make all checks payable to: Northern Lights Photography. **separate order form attached.**

SHOES - Our last shoe order before the recital will be June 5th. Please have shoes ordered (at front desk) and paid in full on or before this date. If you need shoes for pictures, you must order them by May 4th. If you are unsure of the correct shoes, please double check with the costume book at the front desk.

TIGHTS – We will be purchasing Revolution brand tights this year. These tights are ordered from the same company that we purchase our dance shoes from. They are exclusive of this company and are made to specially match their dance shoes. They are \$8.00/pair for child and \$11.00/pair for adult sizes for footed tights. The stirrup/convertible style tights are \$10/pair for child and \$13/pair for adult sizes. All dancers need to have this brand of tights. This enables all of the dancer's legs to have the same shade on stage. Note: ALL dancers must wear tights. ****see attached info sheet for colors and sizing info.**

VIDEOS – We are excited to announce the **Oconee Media Services** will be professionally videotaping our recital this year! They come very highly recommended and have been doing top quality recital productions for several years. You may preorder a DVD copy of the recital for \$25. Preorders must be received no later than June 3, 2009 with checks made payable to: Oconee Media Services. After the preorder date, you may still order a DVD, however, the price will be \$30 and no personal checks will be accepted. ****separate order form attached – you can also order on line at www.oconeemedia.com secure checkout with PayPal.** You will have the option of being contacted and picking up your DVD at the studio when it's ready or for an additional \$3.50 you may choose to have your DVD shipped directly to your home. **Please remember, parents may video tape at Dress Rehearsal only. Absolutely NO VIDEOTAPING allowed the night of the recital!**

HAPPY ADS – These are fun, yet brief messages to your favorite dancer(s). Ask to see an old program for ideas if necessary. Happy ads are \$5 each. ****ORDER ON ATTACHED INFO SHEET**

BUSINESS ADS – ¼ page ads (approx. business card size) - \$35, ½ page ads - \$60, and a full page ad - \$100. The inside front or back cover is also available for \$250. If you or anyone you know would be interested in placing a business ad, please let Ms. Terina know as soon as possible. This is a great way to get grandparents or even employers to sponsor and help support their recital dancer(s). ****ORDER ON ATTACHED INFO SHEET**

RECITAL T-SHIRTS – Our recital t-shirts will be available for anyone to purchase: dancers, parents, grandparents, etc. These t-shirts have our recital theme on them with a cast list on the back of the short sleeve style 50/50 cotton t-shirts only, which includes all studio participants. The list is posted at the front desk as it will appear on the back of the t-shirt. Please note, the cast list is NOT on the back of the baby t style, 100% cotton t-shirts. There are some of both style shirts available at the front desk and they will be sold on a first come, first serve basis. There will be another order placed around May 11th and will take approx. 2 weeks to receive. Additional orders will only be placed after this time if a minimum of 12 shirts have been ordered. Don't miss out – these are a great keepsake and will also be worn in the recital finale dance. Prices are as follows: Short sleeve t's - \$18, Baby t's \$20, XXL +\$4. The sizes available are child 6-8, 10-12, 143-16, adult S, M, L, & XL. ****ORDER ON ATTACHED INFO SHEET**

MAY/JUNE TUITION – will be billed together and due in May as previously stated in our yearly calendar. Also, if you ordered dance apparel, this will be billed to your account and due in May. Accounts must be paid in full by the end of May or late fees will be applied. Please see Ms. Terina if you need to make special arrangements.

-placing orders or not.

DRESS REHEARSAL – Thursday, June 18th from 5-9 p.m. in full costume and make-up. Dancers need to arrive by 4:30 p.m. in full costume and make-up. All dancers will be directed backstage to their dressing room when they arrive. **NO MALES** will be allowed backstage as there will be female dancers who are making costume changes. **Please make sure that you label all costumes & pieces, tights, shoes, etc. with their names.** It is also *very helpful* to the backstage volunteers if each costume is placed into an x-large Ziploc bag with your dancer's name written in black sharpie marker on the bag. We will be running through the show in its entirety and in the order of the show, all dancers are required to stay until 9 p.m. Volunteers need to arrive by 4:15 p.m. and are responsible for their assigned group(s) until they are done with dress rehearsal. They will need to make sure each child is returned safely to their parent. **REMEMBER VIDEOTAPING IS ALLOWED ON THIS NIGHT ONLY!**

RECITAL – Friday, June 19th all Dancers and parents and parents need to arrive by 6:30 p.m. The show begins promptly at 7:00 p.m. All dancers and recital patrons will enter the auditorium at the SAME main entrance from the North Lot of Chippewa Valley H.S. Dancers will be directed to the right to be checked in and escorted to their dressing room. Unless you are a volunteer with a staff badge you will not be allowed backstage. This is necessary to ensure the safety of our dancers. The volunteers are responsible for our dancers and will make every effort to see that your child is safe and comfortable. We ask that dancers be checked in by **one** parent/guardian when they arrive and only **one** parent/guardian when they are picked up after the recital. This is **very** important! We know that

everyone is very excited to see their dancer after the show, but it gets extremely congested in this check out area if more than one family member comes to sign out their dancer. **ALL pre-mini and mini dancers** will be dismissed directly from the stage after the recital, one at a time through the front curtain, directly to their parent after they gather all of their belongings from the dressing room. **Absolutely NO VIDEO CAMERAS OR PHOTOGRAPHY OF ANY KIND IS ALLOWED DURING THE RECITAL. THIS MEANS NO FLASH PHOTOGRAPHY AS WELL. You will be asked to return your equipment back to your vehicle.**

DRESS REHEARSAL AND RECITAL RULES

1. Dress Rehearsal is MANDATORY. Without prior notification, your dancer will not be included in the recital.
2. FULL COSTUME & MAKEUP is necessary for Dress Rehearsal AND Recital. This includes, full costume, tights, accessories, shoes and makeup.
3. HAIR – Please discuss this with your child’s teacher. Hair **must** be pulled away from the face.
4. NO UNDERWEAR – panty lines show through and hang out of costumes. We have tights 😊
5. NO JEWELRY – Small post earrings or recital jewelry (sold at the front desk) is OK if approved.
6. NO GUM CHEWING – It is dangerous (choking) and quite unattractive.
7. NO NAIL POLISH (color) especially on toes (lyrical) – White French manicures are acceptable.
8. NO DANCERS TO LEAVE BACKSTAGE AREA UNTIL DISMISSED AFTER SHOW.
9. SMILE 😊 and have lots of FUN!

We hope that everyone can help us follow these rules.

FLOWERS will also be on sale at the recital for your favorite dancer or teacher. These bouquets are professionally wrapped, include baby’s breath, and are very reasonably priced. Thank you, in advance for supporting our studio 😊

SUMMER CLASSES – A summer schedule will be available before the recital. All dancers who wish to compete next year will be required to take a technique class this summer.

Lastly, on behalf of the entire staff and me we would like to extend a very **heartfelt** thank you to all of our parents and dancers for another **GREAT** year! Your continued support during these difficult times is a **true blessing** and **very much** appreciated! 😊

Ms. Terina, Ms. Becky, Ms. Karolynn, Miss Beth, Miss Nancy, Ms. Desiree, Ms. Jenny, and Ms. Lynn