



The Dance Station 2020-2021 Recital FAQs, Policies & Procedures

Every Dancer at TDS has the option to participate in our year-end recital at Hamilton Place. The recital is a fun, valuable and exciting event that is the result of an entire year of planning and the efforts/expertise of a large team of individuals, including Faculty, Parent Volunteers, Technicians, Ushers, Seamstresses and many more. Participation in our Recital requires additional costs, involvement and cooperation from TDS Families. The info below details Recital costs and time requirements that Families should consider before opting to participate.

COSTUMES

- A total Costume Fee of \$100 (hst incl) will be charged on November 1, 2020 and is non-refundable.
- Costume planning begins right away in September; therefore **Costume Fees are non-refundable as of November 1.**
- Costumes are designed to suit music, choreography and the specifications of the Choreographer.
- Completed Costumes arrive in the Spring. You will be notified by email and your Dancer's Costume will be distributed in Class.
- Parents will be emailed hair, make-up and other important details. Please verify this info with Master Lists posted in the Lobby.
- Please ensure we have your current email address.

DANCERS

- Dancers begin learning their Recital Routine in January. It is the Dancer's responsibility to attend regularly to be well rehearsed with their class. Dancers with numerous absences may not be allowed to participate.
- Every Class participates in 1 of 2 Recital Evenings. Please ensure your Dancer is available for either evening or both (if they take more than 1 Class). Recital Cast Lists are posted in the Spring after March Break.

IMPORTANT: If your dancer takes multiple classes, or your Family has more than 1 dancer, they may be required to participate in both Recital Evenings. With our large student body, it is logistically impossible to have all families attend 1 recital. We thank you in advance for your understanding of this inevitability.

TICKETS

- Recital Tickets go on sale in April (Exact date TBA). Recital Tickets are sold by First Ontario Box Office & TicketMaster.
- **Adult Ticket Prices are approx. \$36. Youth Ticket Prices are approx. \$25. Additional fees apply when using TicketMaster.**
- **Dancers do not require a Ticket to perform in the Recital. However, if your Dancer would like to view the Recital from the Auditorium, they will need to purchase a Youth Ticket (approx. \$25).** All Performers will be granted access to the backstage area of Hamilton Place.

DRESS REHEARSALS AT THE THEATRE

- Dress Rehearsals are held at Hamilton Place during the day of your Recital Evening. Dress Rehearsal is mandatory.
- 2 Wristbands are distributed to each Dancer for entry. 1 for a parent/guardian, 1 for the dancer. **Only 1 parent/guardian per family can attend Dress Rehearsal.** No siblings. Just Dancers.
- Dress Rehearsals can run early or late. Dancers are to arrive 30 minutes before their scheduled rehearsal time.
- For the Dress Rehearsal and the Recital please respect Hamilton Place staff, policies & procedures.
- All TDS Dancers are invited to participate in the Finale at the end of the show. Participation in one quick rehearsal is required at the end of Dress Rehearsal. Participation in the Finale is optional.

RECITAL EVENINGS

- All Adults require tickets to attend the evening Recital. Dancers require a Ticket to view the Recital. If they are just performing, Dancers should wear their wristband to the theatre.
- Dancers remain with their parent/guardian until 8 Routines prior to their Routine. Dancers must be picked up after they perform onstage.
- During the Recital, videography is strictly prohibited. Anyone videotaping the performance will be asked to leave the theatre.

The Recital is a fun and rewarding experience for young dancers, however some preparation, cooperation and responsibility are required from Dancers and Families. It is parents' responsibility to stay informed of important Recital information. Recital Information is available on our website: www.thedancestation.ca, in our Bi-Monthly Newsletters, on our Bulletin Board located in the lobby. If you have any questions regarding the Recital, please contact us by phone, email or at The Dance Station during our office hours.