

June 7, 2018

Hello dance families,

Recital 2018 is almost here, and we couldn't be more thrilled! **Our last week of regularly scheduled dance classes is this week, June 4th - 9th.** If you ordered recital apparel, it will be given out in class this week.

Below are final details and helpful information for show weekend! It's all important, please be sure to read it completely.

Save this email for reference and feel free to share with family and friends attending the show(s).

Recital & Dress Rehearsal Venue-

Upper Merion Area High School 435 Crossfield Road, King of Prussia, 19406.

-Mandatory Dress Rehearsal Friday, June 15th

All dancers must attend dress rehearsal to perform in the show.

Arrival times: Check recital website on our home page: <u>www.umdgc.com</u>, click the link: <u>http://www.helgayang.net/UMDGCRecitalClsInfo.aspx</u> or check the bulletin board by the studios.

- Dancers should go directly into the auditorium, dressed in costume, tights (if applicable) ready to go onstage with full hair and make up and all costume accessories. **Please see recital web site for hair/costume requirements** (under the same link above) "class information".

-Expect to be at dress rehearsal for approximately 60 mins per dance number. Please arrive at your earliest posted arrival time. Bring a clean snack/dinner if necessary.

-**Portraits** Class and Individual portraits (optional purchase) will be taken by Focus Photography, after performing onstage. We would like all dancers in the class portrait. Portrait order forms will be given out in class this week. Extra forms will be available from the photographer. Please note: Due to safety/security reasons, our logistics have changed from previous years. Parents will complete portrait forms near the lobby area, only authorized parents and staff are permitted backstage.

<u>-Photo/video</u> Taking personal photos and video is permitted at dress rehearsal only. Please do not interfere with instructors directing dancers onstage. Our action photographer Helga will also be taking up close action shots. Check out her amazing photos on our recital website (same link as above)

-Please make sure younger siblings are seated and not running around in the auditorium.

<u>-Recital Saturday, June 16th @ 7:00 pm & Sunday, June 17th @ 2:00 pm.</u> Show length- approximately 2 ¹/₂ hours.

-Dancers should arrive in costume with full hair and makeup done. Mascara, eye shadow, lots of blush, and red lipstick will make dancers facial features stand out on stage under bright lights. Clear nail polish only and only 1 pair of stud earrings. **NO underwear** under

tights/costumes. For our older female dancers any foundations worn must have clear straps or be strapless, not visible. A nude leotard is strongly recommended Info to purchase Bodywear Seamless Camisole with Transition Straps: www.curtaincallforclass.com

Parents/Students: *Upper Merion Dance & Gymnastics* Passphrase: *umdgc5678*

- <u>Sign in</u> Dancers can sign in to go backstage starting at 6:15pm Saturday and 1:15pm Sunday, NO EARLIER! Only authorized recital staff are permitted backstage.

- All Dancers must remain backstage for the entire length of the performances to participate in curtain call and finale.

-Dancers may bring a water bottle and clean snack ex. plain pretzels, goldfish etc. NO PEANUTS, chocolate or sticky snacks please.

In case of emergency recital weekend contact:

Michelle: <u>umdgcmichelle@gmail.com</u> or Kelly: <u>kkimmelshue@umdgc.com</u>. You can also call the studio 610-731-0022 and leave a message, we can retrieve all messages left.

-Tickets

\$12 in advance, \$18 at the door, ages 10 and under FREE and do not need a ticket.

Online: <u>http://www.umdgc.com/DanRecTsh.html</u> until, June 14^{th.} Pick up tickets at the front desk during normal office hours. Any tickets not picked up by Friday, June 15th at 5p will be at the box office/will call.

In person- at the front desk until June 15th at 5:00p

After June 15th at 5:00p all tickets must be purchased for \$18 at the door.

-Lobby & Seating

-Seating is General Admission, there are no assigned seats. All doors, including outside doors will open **45 minutes prior to show time, NO EARLIER.** Please make sure all family members attending shows are aware of this policy. Limited Handicapped seating is available along the front aisles.

No strollers permitted in the auditorium. Please plan accordingly.

-Flowers and concessions will be sold in the lobby for both shows, there will be a 20 minute intermission. Please no food in the auditorium.

-Video/Photography

Video recording and photography are permitted at dress rehearsal only. Both shows are professionally recorded by Signature Video and available to purchase <u>http://www.dancevideoexperts.com/upper-merion-recital-dvd-2018/</u>

Kona Ice

A Kona Ice truck will be outside after both shows for a refreshing treat! Shaved ice, and ice cream novelties available for purchase.

Thank you very much for being a part of our totally awesome "Back to the 80's" recital! Please let me know if you have any specific questions regarding show weekend. Sincerely,

Miss Kelly Dance Director UMDGC