# **Dress Rehearsal Information**

Date: Friday May 7, 2021

Place: Lowell Memorial Auditorium 50 East Merrimack Street Lowell, MA 01852 www.lowellauditorium.com

Time: 5:00pm

## <u>Guidelines for Dress Rehearsal</u> . . .

Dress Rehearsal is for dancers and <u>one</u> parent. <u>No guests are allowed</u>. We are limited by covid restrictions and have to limit the number of people in the building. This rule will be strictly enforced so DO NOT bring extra people/siblings. All dancers participating in the recital are required to be at this rehearsal. It is very important that every dancer is familiar with the stage, exits and entrances, etc. to ensure a smooth show. This rehearsal is for all involved: the dancers, choreographers, lighting crew, sound technician and backstage crew. We will NOT be rehearsing our competition routines except Beach Party. All competition routines will perform in the recital with the exception of soloists. Reminder: only graduating senior team members perform solos in the recital. Each group will rehearse once, some, for many different reasons may need to be run twice or even three times. Some routines are easier to block and light and some are harder so we ask that everyone brings their patience as we transfer all routines from the studio to the stage!

#### If You Are In One Dance Only . . .

Please arrive at the auditorium with one chaperone through the FRONT doors, in your costume with hair and makeup done. Upon entering the auditorium, look for the row of seats assigned to your dance and take a seat 6 feet apart from your neighbor. Please wait quietly until you are called to the stage.

#### If You Are in Multiple Dances . . .

Please arrive at the auditorium with one chaperone through the FRONT doors dressed in your first costume with hair and makeup done. Follow signs to your dressing room. Find a spot to set up your costumes in the order you will be wearing them for the rehearsal and then proceed to the auditorium and sit in the row assigned to your group. Please wait quietly until you are called to the stage. At dress rehearsal the routines will be called to the stage from the auditorium, at recital all dancers (except Penguin Cha Cha) will STAY backstage the entire time and you will be called from your dressing room.

## **Videotaping And Picture Taking . . .**

Personal picture taking and videoing is strictly forbidden on the day of the actual show. Anyone found using a camera, camera phone etc. will be asked to leave. Because of this restriction, you are encouraged to take as many pictures and videos at the dress rehearsal as you like! Please take advantage of this opportunity and tell your guests about this rule for recital day. Lowell Auditorium staff will be enforcing this rule. This year there will NOT be a reserved section for photo taking as the auditorium wants us to discourage congregating. You are welcome to take your photos as long as you are social distancing in the auditorium. Your cooperation is imperative and greatly appreciated. The actual recital will be professionally recorded by Performance Video Productions who will be mailing ordering information to your home soon.

### Notes About Costumes . . .

# \*Please go to our website under Recital for detailed costume/hair/makeup info and clickable links

Your stage presentation requires some preparation. Kindly prepare your costume by doing the following:

- 1. Try your costume on at home to see what adjustments need to be made in advance.
- 2. Securely fasten all hair and headpieces with bobby pins, gel and hairspray.
- 3. Do not wear underwear under your tights! Tights take the place of underwear.
- 4. Tuck in all strings on ballet and pointe shoes. Double knot anything that ties-shoes & costumes!
- 5. Label all costume pieces, shoes and props with your name on it. This way we can notify you if we found it.
- 6. Check the website under 'recital notes' to find out proper accessories, hairstyles etc...
- 7. Costumes, hair/make-up etc. should be done exactly as it is expected to be for both dress rehearsal and recital.
- 8. All dancers in multiple routines need to wear a tan leotard with clear straps as a base under all costumes. This provides privacy when changing costumes as there is not enough time for dancer's to leave the dressing rooms to change in the bathroom between routines.

### One Final Note . . .

The most important thing to bring to dress rehearsal is your patience. Please know that we are all trying to speed it along while making sure the dancers feel comfortable with their performance on the stage and that the technical crew is ready for the show!

# **Recital Information**

Date: Saturday May 8, 2021

Place: Lowell Memorial Auditorium 50 East Merrimack Street Lowell, MA 01852 www.lowellauditorium.com

**Time:** Curtain time is 4:00pm SHARP! Performers are to be in their assigned dressing rooms READY TO DANCE no later than 3:15pm.

### **Guidelines for Recital** . . .

Dancers should arrive through the FRONT doors dressed in their first costume with hair and make-up already done. Dancers should report directly to the dressing room assigned to his/her class, follow signs posted in the lobby on the wall. Please <u>do not bring your guests</u> backstage to drop off your dancer. One female only please. It is a good idea to bring something to keep the children busy such as coloring books, games etc.

# <u>Rules To Be Followed By all Performers</u> . . .

To help our event run smoothly we have rules in place to be followed by all performers. Parents, we ask that you make your dancer aware of these rules: ALL DANCERS STAY BACK STAGE THE ENTIRE SHOW-THERE WILL NOT BE AN INTERMISSION per Lowell Covid rules.

There are absolutely NO dancers allowed in the audience the day of the show with the exception of 'Penguin Cha Cha'. If you are not in the dressing room assigned to you, we will not know where to find you and you will risk missing your group perform. This actually happened, a dancer was not where she was supposed to be and she missed her routine. It was her only dance in the show. The dancer, her family and guests were devastated. Sometimes the show runs fast so we ask that you be ready and waiting for your dance to be called from the dressing rooms. NO friends, family or guests are allowed in the dressing rooms. Only a parent wearing a 'backstage pass' badge obtained at ticket day. Backstage parent passes can be obtained at the front desk at studio.

#### <u>Costume Note & Behavior Expectations</u> . . .

We take care in selecting appropriate costumes for each dance and age level to promote uniformity on stage and a family show atmosphere. Any dancer who alters his/her costume in any way besides the normal alterations for fit will not be allowed on stage. They are to be worn the way you were instructed to wear them along with the requested hairstyle/makeup, tights and shoes. All J & D dancers are expected to be on their best behavior, use their manners and be respectful towards chaperones, runners, backstage crew and each other. We are all here to make YOUR performance go well. We ask that you please leave the dressing rooms neat and take what you came with.

### Attention Parents Of Our Younger Dancers . . .

#### **Tuesday 3:30 Penguin Cha Cha**

These dancers will meet in their dressing room (#2) before the show (3:15pm) and will stay with their chaperone until they are called to the stage. After they perform the chaperone will take the girls back to the dressing room and wait with them for one parent to come to pick up their child and take them back into the audience to enjoy the rest of the show. A complimentary ticket will be given to each dancer in this group so they have a reserved seat. Don't forget to wear your backstage pass badge.

#### Finalé . . .

All dancers are invited to participate in the finalé. Parents of the younger classes mentioned above...if your child would like to participate in the Finalé, one parent should bring him/her backstage after dance #37. Please stay in the wings to retrieve your little one when he/she comes off stage. The older dancers will be held on the stage until the little ones are picked up. After that, all other dancers will head back to their assigned dressing rooms to gather their things. Please be respectful of our dancers who may be changing, only a female parent with a backstage pass sticker will be allowed backstage.

#### <u>Important!</u>. . .

All parents planning to go backstage during the show for **ANY** reason...help with costume/hair changes, retrieve a little one, etc...you **MUST** be wearing a 'backstage pass' badge. We will have them during the weeks before the recital at the front desk. This is a sticker to be worn and show to security to enter the backstage area before, during and after the show. This is done for your child's safety and they are very strict.

# After Recital Party Class! Tuesday 5/11/21



Please wear clothes you can dance in, bring your dance shoes and a labeled water bottle!

This is a fun class for the dancers to dance with/for each other (while socially distancing), reflect on the recital and see each other before summer break!

3:30-4:15

Penguin Cha Cha

4:30-5:15

Nine to Five

You Can't Stop The Girl Dance Of The Hours

Bring'Em Out

5:30-6:15

A Thousand Years

All For One

6:30-7:15

Breath Of Life

Black & Gold

Homecoming