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Final Spring Concert/Recital Update

Our Spring Concert/Recital is almost here! How exciting! Here is some final important information.

Backstage Volunteers

We ask that each Georgia Ballet family volunteer time at one performance. If you prefer to watch your dancer from the audience, please volunteer at one of the other performances. **With a cast of almost 300, we cannot produce our spring concert/recital without your help! Thank You!** Sign-up boards are in the lobby. Please remember that all spring concert volunteers must report one hour before curtain.

The Theatre

- Our performances will be at:
Jennie T. Anderson Theatre, Cobb Civic Center
548 South Marietta Pkwy. Marietta, GA 30060.
Telephone: (770) 528-8490

From Exit 263 (South Marietta Parkway/Loop 120) off of I-75, it is about 2 miles west.

Dress Rehearsal

- **Please remember that all Dress Rehearsals are mandatory.** Check *Update #2* very carefully to make sure that you do not miss a rehearsal.
- Dancers are asked to **arrive 30 minutes prior to the scheduled stage rehearsal.**
- Hair should be styled as for the performance.
- All dress rehearsals will take place on stage at the theatre.

Day of the Performance

- Check *Update #1* to make sure you know which performance your dancer is in!! On the day of the performance, all dancers (except for Prep Division, Apprentice and Ensemble level students who will follow a separate schedule) **must arrive no later than 45 minutes prior to the start of the performance.**

Sat., May 1 st	2:30pm performance	Report time: 1:45pm
Sat., May 1 st	4:00pm performance	Report time: 3:15pm
Sat., May 1 st	7:30pm performance	Report time: 6:45pm
Sun., May 2 nd	3:00pm performance	Report time: 2:15pm
- Dancers who are late may not be allowed to perform.
- All dancers must remain backstage with their chaperones until the end of the performance.

- Dancers should bring a **dry snack and some water** (no juice or soda, please). *Due to the severity of a number of our students' nut allergies, please do not bring any snacks that contain nuts. This is for the safety of other dancers in the dressing rooms.* Also, young dancers might want to pack a book or game to pass the time before they go on stage.

Costume Notes

- All ballet dances will be performed in **pink tights** and **pink ballet slippers**. Please make sure tights are clean and without runs. Please try to clean up ballet slippers with a little mild soap and water.
- All female dancers who perform in pointe shoes (Prep II and higher), please buy mesh seamed tights: either Body Wrappers #45 or Danskin #71 in the color Ballet Pink.
- Remember that **black socks** must be worn with **black jazz shoes!**
- Make sure you know how your headpiece is to be worn, and how accessories are to be used. Ask your (your child's) teacher if you are not sure.
- No jewelry may be worn on stage.

Hair and Make-Up Notes

- All dancers must wear make-up on stage. The bright lights will wash out an un-made face; and this will show on your video!
- Young dancers can use blush, pink lipstick (no bright red), and a little eyeshadow in pinks, mauves, soft browns, peaches, or greens. Do not use bright blue or green. Optional: some eyeliner and mascara.
- Older dancers should use eyeliner and mascara, along with blush, eyeshadow and lipstick. Please use powder to set your make-up; and consider using foundation to really "hold" your make-up, especially if you have several dances.
- Hair for all ballet dances should be styled in a high, flat bun. No bangs or wispies. Please use lots of gel and hairspray. Pack extra hair pins and bobby pins for the theatre. Dancers with short hair should pull all front hair up with a clip or ponytail holder, in a "half-up, half-down" style. Again, no bangs. (Bangs will shade the eyes; and the audience won't see your face – nor will the video pick up a face shadowed by bangs).

Video/DVD Reproduction

- For the safety of the dancers and the comfort of other audience members, **no photography or camcorders are allowed during the performance.** (During dress rehearsal, you may use a VCR, as well as a camera; but please do not take flash photos while the students are actively dancing on stage. This can be very disorienting for them.)
- PointeDVD, specialists in dance videography, will be taping the show professionally. VHS and DVD reproductions will be available for sale. There will be order forms in the lobby of the school before and after recital; forms will be available at the theatre, as well.

After Spring Concert

- Our spring concert does not mark the end of the training year. There are three more weeks of classes! The last day of class is May 22nd. Calendar:
 Month of May – Register for summer and fall, 2010 classes!
 May 5th – **Spring Concert Souvenir Pictures** at the studios (Sign up in school lobby.)
 Week of May 10th – **Parent Observation Week**
 Week of May 17th – **"Bring A Friend To Class Week"** (Lots of fun!!)
 June 1st – July 23rd – **SummerDance 2010** at The Georgia Ballet!

Please let us know your questions! We know this is a lot of information... we are here to help!