General Information

Welcome to the 2021 DanceQuest recital titled "The Show Must Go On! DanceQuest goes to Hollywood." As we prepare for the upcoming show, please review the following information carefully as details are different from years past.

There will be two shows on **Saturday**, **June 12**, **2021**. The first show will begin at 11am and the second show *tentatively* at 3pm. Once our show order is completed, we will notify you which show(s) your child is in.

With many unknowns still at this time we have 2 plans in place. Plan A includes a normal indoor recital at Oswego HS as we have done in past years and Plan B will be an Outdoor Recital with a stage and audience seating. Either way, The Show Must Go On! More details on a finalized location will be made by March 1 but we want to ensure you we will plan a safe event for our students and families.

Costumes

Costumes are selectively being chosen by our teachers as we speak! When we come back from the holidays, we will be doing costume sizing in our classes from January 4-January 16 (if something changes with that plan we will let you know).

Costume payments will be due February 1. Costumes will be distributed to dancers in late May. Parents will come into the studio on that day to try them on their child and review specific hair and makeup instructions. Each dancer will take their costume home. Please do not wear them until picture Day/dress rehearsal. They must be kept clean for pictures and the show.

Petite Ballet, Fairytale Ballet, Demi Ballet and Pre-Ballet/Tap class costumes requiring tights will come included with your costume. All other costumes do NOT come with tights. If you need additional tights, they are available in our proshop for purchase. You must purchase tights from our proshop so all performers have the same shade/color.

Dress Rehearsal

Dress Rehearsal will be held at Oswego High School during the day on Friday, June 11. In the event we decide to do an outdoor recital at our location, we will utilize the week leading up to the show to space and tech each class on the stage outdoors. Recital week class attendance will be MANDATORY or you cannot perform in the show.

In the event of an indoor recital:

Detailed dress rehearsal schedules will be sent out as soon as they are completed (April/May). Please bring your children in full hair, make-up, tights, etc. Dancers may either come in their costume or change when they arrive at the school. If you choose to change at the school, please allow extra time prior to your scheduled arrival time. Your student should be completely ready at the scheduled arrival time ("call time"). Please do not be late! Dress rehearsal may run early or late, so it is very important to be on time if not early. If you are not present at your scheduled time, we will **not** wait for you. DanceQuest staff will escort the dancers backstage, and then back to the lobby after their stage time concludes. Parents will NOT be allowed backstage for dress rehearsal.

DRESS REHEARSAL ATTENDANCE IS MANDATORY FOR RECITAL PARTICIPATION.

Pictures/DVD

Pictures will be held at GymQuest/DanceQuest on Sunday, June 6 between 11am-4pm. Both group and individual pictures will be professionally taken by Sportography. Picture packages can be ordered online or with a picture envelope (will be handed out in class in May). The online link will be available on the DanceQuest website in May. You may consider a sibling picture in costume as well. Pictures will be mailed directly to your home by Sportography in a timely manner. Students are REQUIRED to attend picture day whether or not you are purchasing pictures so each class can be pictured with everyone in the dance.

Each show will be professionally videotaped by the Sterling Group. DVD's will be included in our recital fee this year and you will automatically receive the recording in which your child is in. If you have a child/children in both shows, you can select which recording you would like at a later date or if you would like recordings of both shows, more information on additional DVD cost will be available at a later date.

Tickets

In the event of an indoor recital:

Tickets are \$13 each and are assigned seating. Children 2 and under are admitted free of charge if sitting on a parent's lap. Handicapped seating is marked on the seating chart if you are need of it (an open space next to regular seating for a wheelchair). Your Recital fee this year will include 2 tickets. Any additional will have to be purchased. Tickets are sold online and will go on sale early May.

In the event of an outdoor recital:

We will open this up as more of a performance with an audience this year (pending the guidelines on large outdoor gatherings at that time). Tickets for an outdoor performance will be TBD however not to exceed the indoor ticket price. We will provide you with more information at a later date as to how many people will be allotted to attend an outdoor, in-person show.

Performance

In the event of an indoor recital:

Dancers need to arrive at Oswego High School with hair, make-up, tights, etc. on and ready to dance one hour before the show begins. Parents will sign their child in and hand them over to DanceQuest staff who will escort them to the dressing room. Parents can mingle in the lobby until the doors open a half hour before the show. **Only DanceQuest staff and approved volunteers are allowed backstage.**

Each class will perform onstage then return to the dressing room. All dancers must remain backstage for the entire length of the show. All performers will participate in a bow/finale at the end of the show so they must keep their costumes on. After the finale/bow all performers will be escorted to the dressing room to gather belongings and then escorted back to the stage for dismissal. Only one family member will be asked to stay in the auditorium while everyone else will be asked to head out of the building before dismissal begins. This will help us with crowd control so that we can make sure each dancer gets back to his/her family.

Videos and crafts will be provided to keep dancers occupied while they are in the dressing rooms. Each show should last about 2 hours.

In the event of an outdoor recital:

Dancers will be given a designated arrival time at DanceQuest the day of the show. There will be a drop-off/pick-up procedure to follow. Dancers will have holding areas inside our gym/studios and lobby during the show and will remain inside until it is done. A live stream of the show will be available inside for the dancers to watch.

All other backstage procedures will proceed the same in the event of the outdoor recital.

What to pack the day of the show

Costume (make sure you have all pieces i.e. hair accessories, gloves, etc)

Tights (should be wearing one pair, an extra pair is recommended)

Ballet, tap, or jazz shoes (check with your child's instructor for required shoes)

Label everything! Costume, tights, shoes, bags, etc.

IMPORTANT: Leave all jewelry, electronics (iPods, phones, gaming devices, etc.), and

valuables at home. DanceQuest is not responsible for lost or stolen items.

Snacks, water: NO NUTS! Non-messy snacks to keep costumes clean and only water to drink.

T-Shirts

T-shirts will be included in your recital fee this year. Everyone will receive one t-shirt, any additional will \$22. T-shirt size selections will be due by May 1.

Fees

2021 Recital Fee: \$105/student, \$50/sibling

Costume Fees: \$65/child XS, S, M, L, \$70/child XL, XXL, adult S, M, L XL.

Note: advanced class costumes may cost up to \$80 max

Tickets: \$13/ticket in advance, \$16 at the door

Pictures: Cost depends on picture package chosen (optional)

DVD: Detail to come (included in Recital Fee)

T-shirt: Included in Recital Fee

Important Deadlines

Dec. 21-Jan. 9 Recital Fee deposit of \$30 *Secures spot in class and commitment for Recital

Jan. 15- Class Tuition

Feb. 1- Costumes

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March 1- Remainder of Recital Fee (\$75)

Important Dates

Costume measurements in classes week of Jan. 4-Jan. 16.

T-shirt size selection deadline- May 1 *Additional t-shirts \$22

Monday, May 1 Tickets go on sale online T-shirt selections due

Sunday, June 6 Picture Day at DanceQuest

*Monday, June 7-Friday, June 11 Class spacing and tech on outdoor stage during classes

**Friday, June 11 Dress Rehearsal at Oswego High School

Saturday, June 12 Shows: 11am and *tentatively* 3pm

NO regular Saturday DanceQuest classes

Fresh flowers & Concessions available for purchase

Saturday, July 17 Tentative Out-door Drive-in showing of the recital at

DanceQuest

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We are looking forward to an exciting recital after a year of hard work and can't wait to give you an amazing performance!

Thank you!

