

Recital Weekend 2024

Saturday May 25, 2024 12:30 pm and 5:30 pm

Sunday May 26, 2024 1:00 pm and 6:00 pm

All shows are held at Lewiston Middle School on Central Ave

In Studio Costume Rehearsal: May 13th - 18th dancers will rehearse in the studio in costumes. Please see the yellow schedule - some classes have a closed rehearsal, scheduled times are different from normal class times!

Stage Rehearsal: May 21st, 22nd, and 24th at Lewiston Middle School. **All students must attend their scheduled stage rehearsal in order to perform in the recital.** More information and rehearsal schedules included in recital packets. Please see blue, red, or green schedules. Please keep the first 4 rows of the auditorium empty so we can use that space to gather groups for their turn on stage.

Tickets: Tickets will go on sale Saturday May 4th at 3:05 pm online through dance recital ticketing. We will also post a link on our website and facebook page as well as send an email. All seats will be Reserved, \$16. There is a service fee per ticket. New this year: Online sales will continue through recital weekend. Tickets will be available the day of the show. Questions about tickets, call Kevin 207-689-1225. There are no limits or restrictions on tickets.

Tickets are nonrefundable so please make sure you are purchasing for the correct show(s)!

Recital:

Dancer Drop off & Pick up: Bring students dressed in street clothes, signs will be posted or look for individuals with ID badges that will direct you to the changing areas. **All dancers will check in at the stairs in the hall by the gym then we will direct you to your changing area.** Please arrive 30-45 minutes prior to showtime. Check in for 12:30 show: 11:45 - 12:15, 5:30 show: 4:45 - 5:15, 1:00 show: 12:15- 12:45, and 6:00 show 5:15-5:45. There will be assigned areas for groups to keep their things together. It is easiest if you arrive with tights on and we do recommend an undergarment so changing can be done quickly without a run to the bathroom. You can help your child into their first costume and leave them with us. You may exit the same way, as the only entrance to the auditorium is in the front entry. No males, dad, brother, boyfriend, of any kind is allowed anywhere in the gym changing area. If you need someone, seek out a volunteer that is wearing an ID badge. We are extra cautious during the shows of anyone roaming the halls or trying to sneak into the gym and you will be approached by a backstage volunteer if not wearing a badge. This is for the safety of all our students. At the end of the show, our volunteers will bring the students back to the gym or backstage rooms, it will take 5-10 minutes to regroup everyone but you can pick them up in the same location you dropped them off. Heads up for the Sunday 1:00 show, Bates has graduation that morning so we have changed our times for Sunday shows this year to allow more time but parking may take a few extra minutes.

Dancers during the show: Every group is assigned a backstage volunteer(s) so you can enjoy the show! Audience members are not allowed in the gym or backstage when the show begins, only volunteers with a backstage badge. All backstage volunteers will have a badge. During intermission you can visit your child but they are NOT to go into the auditorium. After a dancer finishes their dances they will remain in the gym or the side room with their group. All dancers are in the finale and will bow at the end of the show. Males are not allowed in the gym. If Dad, Grandpa, etc would like to see them as well, have a female bring them into the hallway. Please keep in mind intermission is only 10 minutes and we hold to that. We will play one song to get everyone seated then we will close the doors and no entry will be allowed until the number is completed. No student is to leave the gym or backstage rooms and enter the auditorium during the show. These rules are for the safety of your children. The majority of the backstage crew are studio alumni who have danced many years and are back to volunteer for the weekend. PLEASE remember that these adults are volunteers and do have knowledge of how the show runs and what to do with costumes, hair, or shoe issues. In the event there is a fire alarm and we empty the building, all dancers will be out back with their groups. This is something we have had happen to us a few times during the show. We just ask that no one takes their child during that time so we can keep our headcounts. If there is a parent issue in the gym we will hold the show until the problem is fixed.

What to Bring: Costumes, accessories, dance shoes, snacks and water for your dancer. Preferably something that won't stain their costumes if we have a little spill! We will have the show playing in the gym for the groups to watch when they are not lining up or on stage.. Please label all costumes and shoes with your dancers name. Each show will be 2- 2.5 hours and we will keep it moving along, dancers will be busy lining up and changing out back!

We have large classes that are in multiple shows to make sure they dance in the same show as a sibling. If you are unable to make it, please let us know. We need to know ahead of time how many students will be attending for each group.

Digital Download: We do have a videographer that will be taking orders of the shows. We will have order forms available on the website, or at the studio to pick up. All info and pricing will be on the form!

In order for a student to be in the show, all balances must be paid in full by stage rehearsal.

All students have worked hard this year and we can't wait to see them on stage! Please show your support for each dance with applause!

If you have any concerns with this info, please ask or check the facebook page, or our website- www.maryjanesschoolofdance.com