

RECITAL 2023

INFORMATION PACKET



We are so excited to present the Balance Dance Studios' 2023 Spring recital!

This year's theme is 'Balance in Wonderland!'

Please make sure to read the packet in its entirety to ensure these days go smoothly and that everyone is on the same page.

IMPORTANT DATES:

Dress Rehearsal	Dancers & Dreamers Show	Variety Show
May 19th, 2023 Begins at 3:45pm	May 20th, 2023 2:30pm	May 20th, 2023 5:00pm

RECITAL AT A GLANCE



IMPORTANT DATES

5.19.23

Dress Rehearsal

5.20.23

Recital

2:30pm Dancers & Dreamers

5:00pm Variety Show

THE VENUE

Life Austin, Mueller
1504 E 51st St.
Austin, TX 78723

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PRE-ORDERS - DEADLINE 5/10/23

Program Ads



Flowers/Gifts



Trophies



IMPORTANT DATES

DRESS REHEARSAL: MAY 19TH, 5PM

On May 19th, we will have a full dress rehearsal. When dancers arrive to Life Austin Mueller for this rehearsal, please have them check in to be directed to their designated dressing room.

Dancers should arrive in the first costume, with hair and makeup completely done. This provides your dancer an opportunity to see how they dance in costume! This is also an opportunity for your dancer to practice entering, dancing, and exiting, just like they will on the stage. Professional pictures will also be taken during dress rehearsal.

RECITAL DAY: MAY 20, 2023

Dancers & Dreamers 2:30pm

Variety Show 5:00pm

This is the day we have been working so hard toward! Please continue reading for specific call times and information.

BOOKMARK THE RECITAL 2023 PAGE HERE:



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RESPONSIBILITY CHECKLIST

Costumes

In an effort to ensure you and your family are fully prepared for recital, use this checklist to ensure all of your responsibilities are accomplished in a timely fashion.

Ensure your dancer has the appropriate dance shoes for their dance(s)

- ☐ Black Tap Shoes
- ☐ Pink Ballet Slippers for Girls, Black for Boys
- ☐ Tan Jazz Shoes for all other classes, unless otherwise specified
- ☐ Sneakers for Hip Hop

Label ALL elements of your dancer's costumes and account for any accessories that go with the costume. Most costumes and their accessories have tags on the inside that are perfect for this. Hair pieces tend to have a clip you can mark with your dancer's initials.

Ensure your dancer has the appropriate tights (for girls) or socks (for boys):

- ☐ Pink dance tights for ballet dances (purchased from studio)
- ☐ Tan dance tights for all other classes (unless otherwise specified)
- ☐ Ensure boy's socks match the color of the shoe/pants

If your dancer has more than one costume, please make sure they are placed on a hanger and labeled clearly (dancer's name & class).

Make sure your dancer checks in wearing the first costume, and carrying subsequent costumes neatly on a hanger.

Ensure dancer's hair is completely done prior to arriving at the venue, as indicated by the teacher.

As a general rule of thumb:

- ☐ Combo Dancers: Half up and half down with curls
- ☐ All other dancers: High centered bun
- ☐ Boys: Gelled and styled hair

DRESS REHEARSAL

Check-In & Call Time Information

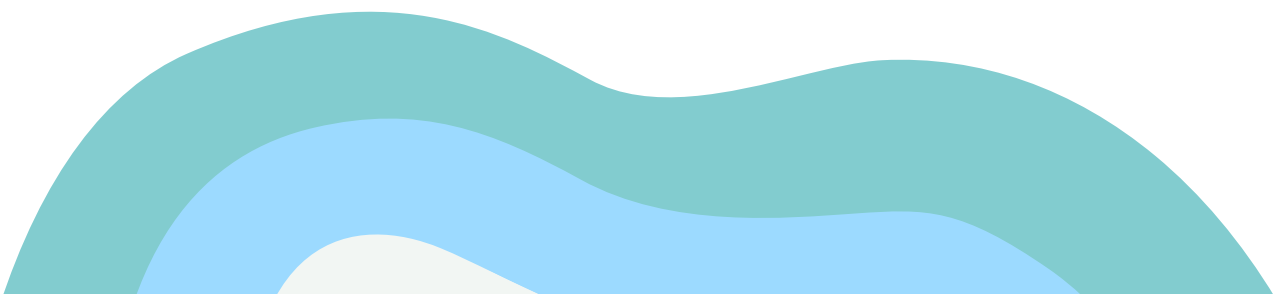
Call time means dancers are dressed in the first costume with hair and makeup completely done. Please respect the times listed. Checking in too early means volunteers and staff might not be ready to receive dancers and will result in you having to wait until the appropriate time.

When you arrive to Life Austin Mueller, follow the signs to the check in table and your dancer will be escorted by our volunteers to the appropriate destination backstage.

There are no non-volunteer parents allowed backstage at any point before, during or after the show. This is to ensure the safety of all the dancers while they are waiting to perform. If you are a volunteer, you will check in for your designated time and head back to begin your assigned tasks. If you are not a volunteer, please do not attempt to go past the check-in as it causes distraction from the tasks that need to be carried out by our staff and parent volunteers, thus resulting in stress and timing issues. (This includes past the check in table and in the dressing rooms or stage area). Dancers will remain backstage for the entire length of the show.

Dress Rehearsal is closed to the public. This means no spectators are allowed into the auditorium until Recital Day.

BACKSTAGE PARENT SIGNUP:



CHECK IN/OUT PROCEDURE

When checking in and out your dancer, please only send 1 parent to the check-in table to keep the area from getting too crowded. Arrange a family meet-up location prior to recital day to keep traffic flowing!

If your dancer is in more than one routine, costumes will be changed either backstage or in the dressing room (depending on if it is a quick change or not). We have volunteers assigned to assist your dancer with costume changes.

Label any personal items your dancer is bringing backstage. While we do our best to ensure all items return to all families, we do not recommend sending your young dancer with items of high value such as iPads, tablets, etc. We are not responsible for lost items. All items left behind will be gathered by volunteers and will be brought back to the studio and placed in our Lost and Found.

Please remind your dancer that the parent volunteers are there to keep them safe and it is imperative that dancers respect and listen to all staff and parent volunteers.

CHECK OUT PROCEDURE

Please note that all times are estimated as it is very difficult to predict exact time for live shows that involve children. To prevent the area from being too crowded, staff and parent volunteers will bring out one class at a time to the checkout table. If you have more than one child in a show, please refrain from picking up both at the same time to avoid confusion backstage. We thank you for your patience in this process as this ensures each of the dancers returns safely back to their family.

PRE ORDER INFORMATION



Trophies -

Deadline 5/10/23

Each participating dancer has the option to order a complimentary trophy. Please note that no extra trophies will be ordered. Only those who have ordered trophies will receive one on recital day. Trophies can be ordered HERE:



Ticket Information

Tickets can be purchased online or at the front desk. A ticket is required for anyone who will occupy a seat in the auditorium.



Program Ads - Deadline 5/10/23

Would you like a shoutout for your business or dancer in our Recital Program? The program is a full color keepsake in print for all attendees to see! Submit your ad online today! Deadline: April 15, 2023



Flowers and Gifts

Flowers and gifts can be pre-ordered HERE:



DANCERS & DREAMERS CALL TIMES

Call time means dancers are dressed in the first costume with hair and makeup completely done. Please respect the times listed. Checking in too early means volunteers and staff might not be ready to receive dancers and will result in you having to wait until the appropriate time.

Dress Rehearsal is closed to the public.

Dancers and Dreamers Show 2:30pm							
ORDER	CLASS TITLE	CLASS TEACHER	CLASS DAY	CLASS TIME	DRESS CALL TIME	SHOW CALL	SHOW PICKUP (APPROX)
Purple Group	Live Your Story	Classic Combo 5 W4:00pm	Wednesday	4:00 PM	Shawna Hesketh	3:45 PM	1:45 PM 3:45 PM
	Ma Belle Evangeline	Classic Combo 4 S10am Sarah	Saturday	10:00 AM	Sarah Matney	3:45 PM	
	You've Got a Friend	Classic Combo 3 S10:45 Kira	Saturday	10:45 AM	Kira Fredericks	3:45 PM	
	Kings and Queens	Funky Monkey 4-5 S11am .	Saturday	11:00 AM	Kristen Schoultz	3:45 PM	
	I'm A Believer	Classic Combo 4 T3:45pm .	Tuesday	3:45 PM	Celeste Ramirez	3:45 PM	
	Hair Up!	Funky Monkey 3 M9:30am	Monday	9:30 AM	Shawna Hesketh	3:45 PM	
	Hair Up (combined with Shawna's)	Funky Monkey 4-5 TH4:30pm .	Thursday	4:30 PM	Maddie Mechinus	3:45 PM	
	The Caterpillar	Funky Monkey 5 W5:30pm .	Wednesday	5:30 PM	Avery Hampton	3:45 PM	
	Beauty and the Beast	Pre-Ballet 4 M4:30 .	Monday	4:30 PM	Kira Fredericks	3:45 PM	
Yellow Group	Alice in Wonderland	Classic Combo 4 S10 Erin .	Saturday	10:00 AM	Erin Carle	4:15 PM	2:00 PM 3:45 PM
	iZi	Classic Combo 4 M10:30am .	Monday	10:30 AM	Shawna Hesketh	4:15 PM	
	Somewhere Over the Rainbow	Classic Combo 3 S9 with Kristen .	Saturday	9:00 AM	Kristen Schoultz	4:15 PM	
	Aurora's Fairies	Preballet 5 W5:30pm .	Wednesday	5:30 PM	Murray McCormack	4:15 PM	
	Just Wanna Have Fun	Classic Combo 4-5 M5:30pm .	Monday	5:30 PM	Kira Fredericks	4:15 PM	
	Remember Me	Pre Ballet 4 . Th4:30PM .	Thursday	4:30 PM	Lisa Schreck	4:15 PM	
	Up!	Preballet 5 S9:00am Sarah .	Saturday	9:00 AM	Sarah Matney	4:15 PM	
	Lovely Day!	Classic Combo 3 M4:30pm .	Monday	4:30 PM	Wyntergrace Williams	4:15 PM	
	Flower Fairies	Preballet 5 S9am Erin .	Saturday	9:00 AM	Erin Carle	4:15 PM	
Green Group	You'll Be In My Heart	Classic Combo 3 S9 with Mica.	Saturday	9:00 AM	Mica Carson	4:45 PM	2:15 PM 3:45 PM
	For the First Time in Forever	Pre Ballet 3-4 W4:30PM .	Wednesday	4:30 PM	Kira Fredericks	4:45 PM	
	Dreams	Funky Monkey 4-5 S10am .	Saturday	10:00 AM	Kristen Schoultz	4:45 PM	
	Whoop! There It Is	Funky Monkey 4 M4:30pm .	Monday	4:30 PM	Taylor Almanza	4:45 PM	
	Under the Sea	Classic Combo 3-4 M4:30 .	Monday	4:30 PM	Jalani Miller	4:45 PM	
	Big Bad Wolf	Funky Monkey 3-4 TH5:30pm .	Thursday	5:30 PM	Erin Carle	4:45 PM	
	Bare Necessities	Classic Combo 5 S11am .	Saturday	11:00 AM	Mica Carson	4:45 PM	
	Dancing Through Life	Classic Combo 4 W4:30pm .	Wednesday	4:30 PM	Wyntergrace Williams	4:45 PM	
	Be Our Guest	Classic Combo 3 Th3:30.	Thursday	3:30 PM	Erin Carle	4:45 PM	
	Sea Cruise	Ignite Fireflies Rehearsal W6pm	Wednesday	6:00 PM	Kelsy Leyendecker	4:45 PM	
Post	D&D Grad Ceremony 3:30-3:45						

** Have any student who performed in Purple and Yellow need to be at front of auditorium and will go up steps to get Tiara?. Green 5y/o class will stay back stage and be brought out. Ceremony pickup is off stage?

VARIETY SHOW CALL TIMES

BDS Variety Show (6+) Show 5pm

PERFORMANCE SONG	CLASS NAME	DAY	TIME	INSTRUCTOR	DRESS CALL TIME	SHOW CALL TIME	SHOW PICKUP
Barbie Movie Madness	Barbie Movie Madness	N/A			5:30 PM	4:15 PM	Approx 6:20PM
What A Wonderful World	Acro L1 6-10 M4:45pm	Monday	4:45 PM	Bethany Boutwell	5:35 PM		
Step Up	Hip Hop L1 6-10 M4:45pm	Monday	4:45 PM	Haley Sikes	5:40 PM		
Goosebumps	Ignite Sparks Rehearsal M6pm	Monday	6:00 PM	Kelsy Leyendecker	5:45 PM		
Anchor	Contemporary 6-10 Beg Th4:45	Thursday	4:45 PM	Cassie Pluim	5:50 PM		
Are You With Me	Ignite Blaze Rehearsal W7pm	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Kelsy Leyendecker	5:55 PM		
The Tuxedo Way	Hip Hop L1 6-10 T4:45pm	Tuesday	4:45 PM	Haley Sikes	6:00 PM		
The Wolves and The Ravens	Contemporary 9-11 beg/int T6:30	Tuesday	6:30 PM	Sarah Matney	6:05 PM		
Tweedledee & TweedleDance!	Tap 6-10 L1 W4pm	Wednesday	4:00 PM	Avery Hampton	6:10 PM		
I Wonder	Contemporary Beg/int 12+ T7:30pm	Tuesday	7:30 PM	Bethany Boutwell	6:15 PM		
Rotten to the Core	Hip Hop L1 6-10 TH5:30	Thursday	5:30 PM	Lisa Schreck	6:20 PM	4:45 PM	
Fancy	Hip Hop L1 6-10 M4pm	Monday	4:00 PM	Haley Sikes	6:25 PM		
Leave Your Hat	Mark and Kathy	N/A			6:30 PM		
Stayin' Alive	Acro L1 M5:30pm	Monday	5:30 PM	Taylor Almanza	6:35 PM		
Welcome to Wonderland	Contemporary 12+ High Int M7:30pm	Monday	7:30 PM	Bethany Boutwell	6:40 PM		
Halftime!	Hip Hop L1 6-8 Th5:00p	Thursday	5:00 PM	Jaylin Lane	6:45 PM		
Friend Like Me	Hip Hop L1 6-10 T4:45pm Celeste	Tuesday	4:45 PM	Celeste Ramirez	6:50 PM		
Music Box in a Pizzeria	AYCB	N/A			6:55 PM		
In The Garden	Jazz L1 6-10 W4:45PM	Wednesday	4:45 PM	Avery Hampton	7:00 PM		
SupperTime	Musical Theater: Broadway Jazz L1 6-10 Th 4pm	Thursday	4:00 PM	Mica Carson	7:05 PM		
When You're An Addams	Elevate	N/A			7:15 PM		
Give Me A Minute	Contemporary 14+ Adv T6:30PM	Thursday	6:30 PM	Lisa Schreck	7:20 PM		
Water	Hip Hop L2 9-11 M5:30	Monday	5:30 PM	Haley Sikes	7:25 PM		
Fly	Ignite Flames Rehearsal M5pm	Monday	5:00 PM	Kelsy Leyendecker	7:30 PM		
Ease on Down the Road	Ignite Embers Rehearsal W5pm	Wednesday	5:00 PM	Kelsy Leyendecker	7:35 PM		
Down	Ignite Wildfire Rehearsal M7	Monday	7:00 PM	Kelsy Leyendecker	7:40 PM		
The Party's Just Begun	Pop Diva Class 6-10 Recital	Wednesday	4:30 PM	Taylor Almanza	7:45 PM		
Dear Theodosia	Lyrical 6-10 Beg/int W4	Wednesday	4:00 PM	Lisa Schreck	7:50 PM		
Heaven I Know We Tried*	Heaven I Know We Tried	N/A			7:55 PM		
Out on the Verge	Acro L3 10+ T5:30pm	Tuesday	5:30 PM	Bethany Boutwell	8:00 PM	6:15 PM	
Don't You Forget About Me	Jazz L2 (L1 with approval) 12+ W7pm	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Shawna Hesketh	8:05 PM		
Rockstar Lifestyle	Hip Hop L4(L3 with approval) 12+ TH7:00pm	Thursday	7:00 PM	Jaylin Lane	8:10 PM		
I Love a Rainy Night	Jazz L1/2 9-11 W6PM	Wednesday	6:00 PM	Shawna Hesketh	8:15 PM		
Crown Up	Ignite Inferno Rehearsal W8pm	Wednesday	8:00 PM	Kelsy Leyendecker	8:20 PM		
Hometown	Ignite Firestorm Rehearsal M8	Monday	8:00 PM	Kelsy Leyendecker	8:25 PM		
Cash In Cash Out	UGK	N/A			8:30 PM		
Cold Heart	Jazz L2 12+ T6:30	Tuesday	6:30 PM	Bethany Boutwell	8:35 PM		
Fix You	Fix You	N/A			8:40 PM		
Holdin' Out*	Contemporary 9-11 Beg W5:00	Wednesday	5:00 PM	Shawna Hesketh	8:45 PM		
Mein Herr	Mein Herr	N/A			8:50 PM		

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

I tried my dancer's costume on and it fits really snug. Should I get a bigger size?

Dance costumes are not meant to have growing room or fit loosely. Dance costumes are meant to be snug fitting, similar to a bathing suit. You want it to hug your dancer's body so it doesn't move around while they dance. (You wouldn't want their bathing suit to move around while they swim!)

Also similar to a bathing suit, your dancer will need to "shimmy" to get into it. This does not mean it is too small; this is how it is supposed to fit. Once the costume is on, if you think it is too small, tug on the shoulder part and the leotard area in the leg/hip area, and if there is still a stretch, the costume fits correctly.

Is dress rehearsal necessary?

Yes! As much as we are preparing for the recital in the classroom, dress rehearsal is an opportunity to introduce the dancers to the flow of the shows and dancing in their costumes before performing in front of an audience.

Can I watch the dress rehearsal?

No. Only staff and volunteers will be allowed in the auditorium during dress rehearsal.

Can I pick up my child after they dance on recital day?

No, all dancers are to remain backstage until the show is completed. This, again, is for the safety of all dancers. It can become too hectic and cause unnecessary panic when a dancer isn't backstage where they are supposed to be. Once the show begins, all volunteers' priority is ensuring the show runs smoothly, and not on reconnecting dancers back with their families.

Does my ticket count towards both shows?

No. You may redeem your ticket for one of our 2 shows. If you'd like to attend both shows, you will need a ticket for each show time.

Can I go backstage if I am not volunteering?

No. For safety reasons, only staff and parent volunteers are allowed backstage during the dress rehearsal and recital. Some of our dancers will have costume changes, and our volunteers need to see during dress rehearsal if there are any timing issues that may present possible issues during the recital. It can become disorganized very quickly if there are non-volunteers backstage.

If you have any questions about recital, please email info@balancedancestudios.com.