

Recital Information

May 20th, 2023 @2pm
South Portland High School Auditorium

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Recital is a hectic time of year and we want to make sure you are well informed. We are very excited and honored to have you be a part of this memorable occasion. **This newsletter contains very important information; please make sure to read it carefully**. Recital is a wonderful way to see the student’s progress over the year. Each of these students has worked hard to learn new moves and put together dance pieces that you will enjoy. Thank you for choosing Spotlight Dance & Performing Arts Center, we hope that you will enjoy the recital experience. The best way to reach us if you have any questions is to e-mail us @ spotlight\_dancecenter@yahoo.com. You can always call the studio @ 767-1353.

Recital will be held at South Portland High School Auditorium.

**TICKETS**

Tickets for the recital will go on sale Wednesday April 5th from 345-730pm.
If you are unable to get your tickets on the first day, we will also be in the office on these days and times,
Wednesday April 5th 345-730pm
Friday April 7th 345-530pm
Saturday April 8th 930am-12pm
Wednesday April 12th 345-6pm
Saturday April 15th 930am-12pm

Tickets will continue to be on sale up until the day of recital.

Venmo, cash, check or credit card is accepted (There is a 3% charge with all credit/debit cards)

**PRICING**

Ticket prices per seat are $18.00 for adults & $16.00 for students ahead of time. Dancers get in for free. If tickets are purchased at the door during the day of recital, tickets will be $20.00 for all. All forms of payment are accepted at the door.

Ticket sales are on a 1st come; 1st serve basis.
Tickets are Non-refundable
All seats are reserved. A seating chart is available for viewing during ticket sales located in the office.
There is No Ticket Limit.
Dancers performing in the show will not have to pay for a ticket. Dancers will need to reserve a seat with your family (Please include them in the total number of seats you need)

Spotlight Dance is not responsible or liable for any lost or stolen tickets. Please keep tickets in a safe place.
We are more than happy to hold onto your tickets once you have paid for them. You are able to pick them up at the recital prior to going in to watch the show.

Dancers will not be able to participate in recital if tuition is not paid in full.

You will not be able to take tickets home until tuition is paid in full.

If you have any questions about your account, please call the studio @767-1353.

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 **Parking**

There is plenty of parking right next to the football field, as well up around the football field near the tennis courts. There are two entrances. The main entrance is closer to the first parking lot and the door has a number 7 on it. The side entrance is mainly for dancers (as the dressing rooms for the girls are located through that entrance). The number on the door for the side entrance is number 11. There will be no entry in the doors on highland avenue.

**Dress Rehearsal**

We will not be having a dress rehearsal however some of the classes may get called in early the day of the recital. A list of times and classes needing extra stage time will be posted as soon as possible. (Please see additional sheet for this)

 **Dance Recital**

Dancers should arrive by 1:30 with hair & make up done (unless you have been told to come in earlier for a rehearsal). If you are coming for a rehearsal and your rehearsal time is early in the day, you do not have to be in full costume and makeup at that time.

All shoes and costumes should be labeled with dancers’ full name. Spotlight Dance will not be held responsible for lost or missing items.

The door to the auditorium will open 25 minutes before the show starts. Ushers will be there to help you find your seats.
The show will start at 2:00pm and start with a quick ceremony for teachers and children who have danced at the studio 5 or more years. Dancers who have danced for 5+ years at Spotlight will need to meet backstage at 1:50pm.
We cannot hold dance numbers if your child is not ready when it is time for their group to go on stage.

**Make-up & Hair**

Makeup is required for older children. Blush, light eye shadow and a light lipstick will help reduce washing the child’s face out on the stage. We do not require a lot of makeup, just enough to brighten their faces up with the stage lights.
Younger kids, if parents are not comfortable they do not have to wear makeup.
Hair for all dancers – Please see the list we provided for each classes hair.

**Masking**
Masking at South Portland is optional. This is subject to change if they change their policy depending on any change in status. At this time we are leaving masking up to each family if their dancer will be masked on stage. If you choose to have your child mask – we ask you choose a solid colored mask that matches costumes.

**Videotaping/Photography**

We will have the show professionally videotaped by Keeping Pace Video Production. This year we will be offering two forms of the recital and will be available to purchase through a direct link with the company. Link will be provided as we get closer to the recital date.
$35 per DVD + $5 shipping per order
$35 per DIGITAL DOWNLOAD

Videotaping and photography are strictly prohibited at recital. Anyone caught with a recording device will be asked to leave the recital. We take the no videotaping very seriously as there are law to protect children from being videotaped that are not your own. Some families ask not to have their dancers posted on social media. Please respect that not all parents want their children’s face on social media.
Photography is extremely distracting to the dancers on stage. NO FLASH PHOTOGRAPHY
All cell phones/pages must be turned off during performances.

**Line-Up**
Please refer to the recital line up following this information packet. Lineup will also be emailed to each family and posted at the dance studio. We ask that children are backstage 4 numbers prior to their number. There will be volunteers backstage that will help them get in the correct order. There will be designated areas for pick up and lining up. **Please locate these areas prior to the show starting if you will be picking up your child after they perform and also dropping them off prior to performance.

Intermission**
We will have a 15 minute intermission. We will only be selling bottled water this year.

**Drop off & Pick up of dancers**
Dancers will need to be backstage and check in with the backstage manager 4 numbers before they perform. Please make sure you know when this is, as we cannot be looking out in the audience for kids. If they are not there in time to perform, we cannot hold the number while we wait to find them.
Once you pick them up, you can reenter the auditorium.
 **Costumes**
Please do not wear costumes for fun until after the recital.
Costumes come in generic sizes, so it may not end up being a perfect fit. You can always use safety pins, or double side tape. It is important to have your dancer try on their costume at home in case you need to make any alterations.
Spotlight Dance is not liable for any rips, tears, stains, or damages to the costumes. Please only wear your costume for picture day and recital only.
If you have any questions about costumes, tights, makeup, shoes, hair – please email us.
 **Jewlery/Nail Polish**
Please do not wear any jewelry on the stage. It is very distracting to a dancer and takes away from a costume.
Please do not wear any nail polish. Colored nails can take away from the uniformity of the costumes.

**Rules at Recital**
Absolutely no food or beverages allowed in the auditorium at any time.
You will not be able to leave or enter the auditorium in the middle of a performance. It is very distracting for the performers on the stage.
Ushers will open and close doors accordingly during the show. Please plan ahead of time when you need to enter or exit.
Please be respectful of all dancers. Talking during their performance is distracting.
Please label everything!!! Spotlight Dance and South Portland High School are not responsible for any lost or stolen items.