
RECITAL

HANDBOOK



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The Excitement Begins

Welcome to the much-awaited highlight of the year at WDC – our annual year-end recital! The air is buzzing with excitement as we eagerly anticipate the grand unveiling of months of hard work, dedication, and artistic expression from our talented dancers. The stage is set, and the energy is high as each dancer transforms through hairstyles, makeup, and dazzling costumes. This event is a testament to the unwavering commitment of our dancers, instructors, and the supportive WDC community that has played a pivotal role throughout the year.


We are entering a busy and exciting recital season and are looking forward to sharing this memory with you & your child(ren). This document has all of the most vital recital day information, so please be sure you have looked carefully through the entire handbook.



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ICONS

WHERE:
EASTDALE CVI
256 HARMONY RD OSHAWA

WHEN:

TWINKLE BABIES/STARS SHOW - SATURDAY, JUNE 1 - 10:30AM

MINI/JUNIOR/INTER/SR/COMP. REHEARSAL - SATURDAY, JUNE 1 - 1PM

MINI/JUNIOR/INTER/SR/COMP. SHOW 1 - SATURDAY, JUNE 1 - 6PM

MINI/JUNIOR/INTER/SR/COMP. SHOW 2 - MONDAY, JUNE 3 - 6PM

DATES ARE TENTATIVE

RECITAL PACKAGES

A LA CART

Recital Video Link.....	\$28.00
Bouquet 1 - Mixed Bouquet.....	\$37.50
Bouquet 2 - Gerbera Daisy's & Roses.....	\$47.50
Bouquet 3 - Dozen Roses.....	\$57.50
Limited Addition Recital T-Shirt.....	\$35.00
Dancer Shoutout in Program.....	\$15.00
Dancer Shoutout in Program w/ photo.....	\$20.00
WDC ICONS Squishmellow.....	\$45.00

*All prices subject to HST

A LA CART ORDER FORM

<https://forms.gle/6J28ZYjy9QNEcEjx6>

PACKAGE ORDER FORM

<https://forms.gle/7D2nyNrPDdAgo7gv5>

**ORDER DEADLINE:
APRIL 15, 2024**

INSPIRE

RECITAL VIDEO LINK

RECITAL T-SHIRT

BOUQUET 1

\$90 + HST

BELIEVE

24 HOUR EARLY TICKET ACCESS

RECITAL VIDEO LINK

DANCER SHOUT OUT IN PROGRAM

RECITAL T-SHIRT

BOUQUET 2

\$150 + HST

EMPOWER

24 HOUR EARLY TICKET ACCESS

DANCER SHOUTOUT IN PROGRAM w/

PHOTO

WDC ICONS SQUISHMELLOW

RECITAL VIDEO LINK

RECITAL T-SHIRT

BOUQUET 3

\$205 + HST

**Only 30 Empower
Packages
Available**



TICKET SALES

24 Hour Early Ticket Sales Begin April 27th, 2024 at 11:00am

Open Ticket Sales Begin April 28th, 2024 at 11:00am

Ticket Limits released April 29th, 2024 at 11:00am

The Mini/Junior/Inter/Sr/Comp Tickets are

\$30 - \$35 + HST each

The Twinkle Babies / Stars Tickets are

\$28 - \$33 + HST each

Please use the link below to purchase your tickets:

<https://27255.recitalticketing.com/>

- Tickets are first come first serve, and are assigned seating.
- **Tickets will be limited to 6 tickets/family for the Twinkle Babies/Stars show for the first 24 hours of open ticket sales.**
- **Tickets will be limited to 8 tickets/family for the Mini/Jr/Inter/Sr/Comp Shows for the first 24 hours of open tickets sales.**
- If you require more then the 6 or 8 tickets you will be able to pruchase additional tickets April 29th at 11:00am.
- Theatre doors will open approximately 30 mins prior to show time.
- 2 years and under do not require a seat/ticket and may sit on a parent/guardian lap. 3 years and above will require a seat/ticket.
- Make sure you purchase your tickets in advance as shows will sell out quickly!



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DANCE
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VOLUNTEER INFO

Our show wouldn't run the way it does without our volunteers, we are so grateful for your help!

If you would like to volunteer we would require a vulnerable sector check. If we have a vulnerable sector check from last year's recital you do not require a new one but will be required to sign an Offence Declaration form.

Please note: Your child's safety and the safety of all our dancers is our number one priority and as requested by our insurance company, we are required to ask for a recent VSC and one that is requested for our event specifically.

We will provide a reference letter to help offset the fees. Once you have signed up via our google form below an email will be sent with your reference letter.

All our volunteers will receive a free ticket to the opposing recital show (ie. you volunteer for Show 1 you get a free ticket for Show 2) and a volunteer T-Shirt (If you received a t-shirt last year, you will not be given a new one). **You will be required to purchase your ticket upfront and will be credited your ticket after the recital weekend.**

PLEASE NOTE: Make sure you don't wait until the last minute to apply for your VSC as it can sometimes take up to 3 weeks to receive. They only accept online applications and will send you your hard copy through the mail.

Please sign up to Volunteer by April 15, 2024.

Link to apply for Vulnerable Sector Check:
https://members.drps.ca/PRCOnline/PVSC_Main.aspx

Link to sign-up to volunteer:
<https://forms.gle/UBtz4JirkQW9NgMS6>

Offence Declaration form due by April 15, 2024

Link to sign declaration:
<https://forms.gle/gjoHGGSyNr3hP3jQA>



COSTUME INFO

- Costumes will be tried on in class
- Costumes will include all costume pieces and tights/socks
- All shoe requirements can be found at the link below. Please double check with your teacher that your child has the right shoes.
<https://whitbydance.com/attire-shoes-hair/>
- Costumes will be sent home in May.
- Please make sure your dancer does not wear their costume leisurely, as we cannot guarantee we can get a new one in time for the show. Which may result in your child not being able to participate in their performances.
- Please do not wash costumes in machine - tide to go pens, hand/spot wash only when and where necessary.

REHEARSAL INFO

- All Mini/Junior/Intermediate/Senior/Competitive dancers have a dress rehearsal (Twinkle Babies/Stars classes not required).
- The Rehearsal will be held at: Eastdale CVI (256 Harmony Rd. Oshawa)
- All Mini, Junior, Intermediate, Senior & Competitive dancers are required to attend rehearsal.
- This will be a closed rehearsal for Mini, Junior, Intermediate, Senior & Company dancers only.
- Dancers are to arrive 30 mins early to get signed in before their start time listed on Page 1. (only volunteers will be allowed in the theatre during dress rehearsal).
- Please note: we will not wait, if you are late.
- No costumes for rehearsal.
- Hair and make up to be done, ready for the show (please touch up during the break).
- Please have your dancer arrive in their class attire and bring their appropriate shoes and water.



RECITAL INFO

- All Recitals will be held at: Eastdale CVI (256 Harmony Rd. Oshawa)
- All Twinkle Babies/Stars dancers are required to be at the venue 30 mins prior to scheduled show time.
- All Mini/Jr/Inter/Sr/Comp dancers are required to be at the venue 1hr prior to scheduled show time.
- All dancers are to arrive ready to go in their first costume with hair and make-up done.
- Mini/Jr/Inter/Sr/Comp dancers are welcome to bring water and dry snacks.

Sign In/Out Process

- Drop dancer off at designated change room. Class name will be listed on a laminated sheet on the wall beside the change room door. (ONLY VOLUNTEERS & STAFF will be allowed in the change rooms)
- All levels are colour coordinated:
 - YELLOW - TWINKLE BABIES/STARS
 - RED - MINI
 - PURPLE - JUNIOR
 - BLUE - INTERMEDIATE
- You will be handed a Sign-Out Card with a number that corresponds to your dancer's name. Please bring this when signing your dancer out of the change room at the end of each show. You will be asked to sign the back of the card. (You will receive a new card for each show at sign-in.)
- There will be tape on the floor to assist with lining up protocol.
- Please only send one parent/guardian back with the child for sign in and sign out

**Please note this process will take a bit of time as your child's safety is our number one priority.

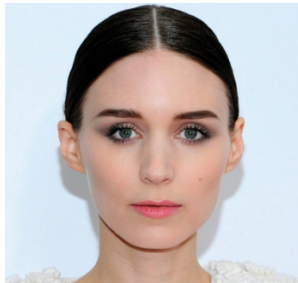
HAIR & MAKE-UP

HAIR FOR RECITAL: (ALL WDC STUDENTS)

Dancer's hair is to be styled the following way for ALL recital performances:

Girls: Centre Part, Low Ballet Bun (include hairnet and pins that match the dancer hair colour)

Boys: Neatly Styled



Please ensure bangs have been pulled back off face and lots of hair gel and hairspray are used. This will ensure that there are NO fly aways. Please try to match hair ties, hair pins and hairnets to the dancer's hair colour.

Please use the link below to view our tutorial on how to style the hair for recital.

<https://youtu.be/RpdcSgLSJoo>

MAKE UP FOR RECITAL:

It is highly suggested that your dancer wears makeup for recital performances. Stage lights are very bright, and will make it difficult to make out your dancers features without makeup. Your dancer is asked to wear standard makeup. Standard makeup consists of the following:

1. Foundation that matches dancers skin tone
2. Pink Blush
3. Neutral Eye-Shadows (Brown, Taupe, Champagne)
4. Black Eyeliner & Mascara
5. Medium Pink Lipstick

Boys: very light stage makeup including foundation, neutral blush, no lip stick.

Make-Up Tutorial:

<https://youtu.be/xpLzCWsjArk>

*Please note: Colours may not be exact as listed above in video.



RECITAL CHECKLIST

REMINDERS

- LABEL EVERYTHING.
- Dry snacks & water ONLY.
- Please be aware we have severe allergies to All Nuts
- Go to the restroom before you put on your costume.
- No jewelry.
- No nail polish.
- No regular everyday undergarments or undershirts under costumes (dance undergarments can be purchased from Sequin's Plus)
- Make sure that hair is away from face, use spray, wet hair, gel, etc. to hold hair in place.
- Double check that you have your dance shoes, hair pieces and tights.

FOOD/BEVERAGE

- Bottled Water
- Gatorade / Biosteel
- Fruit
- Vegetables
- Cheese and Crackers
- Granola bars / protein bars
- Yogurt

APPAREL

- Costumes(s)
- Costume Accessories
- Dance Shoes
- Tights / Extra Tights

HAIR PRODUCTS

- Comb and Brush
- Gel and Hairspray
- Hair Elastics (That match your dancers hair colour)
- Clear Hair Elastics
- Bobby Pins/Bun Pins
- Hair Nets (That match your dancers hair colour)
- Hair Donuts (That match your dancers hair colour)

COSTUME CARE

- Double Sided Tape / Body Glue
 - Needle and Thread
 - Safety Pins
 - Scissors
 - Q-Tips / Super Glue
 - Super Glue
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RECITAL FAQ

Am I supposed to buy tickets to both the shows if I have one child in the Twinkle Stars Show and one child in the Mini/Jr/Inter/Sr/Comp show?

Yes.

Do we need to buy tickets for both shows (Show 1 & 2)?

You are not required to purchase tickets for both shows. However, dancers are required to attend both shows, as we want to give everyone attending our shows the same experience.

We do need lots of help backstage, as an option you may want to watch one show and volunteer backstage for the second show.

Will my dancer be performing in both shows?

Yes, both shows are exactly the same. To ensure we have enough seats for everyone we have to host 2 shows over 2 days.

Why do I need to pay to watch my child in their Recitals?

Paying to watch your child in their shows is industry standard. The rental of the school and the costs required to run a show like this are extremely expensive.

Will tickets be assigned seating?

Yes.

Are students allowed to watch the recital?

Dancers must stay backstage during the duration of the recital, even if they are only in one number. This is to prevent distractions such as entering and exiting the theatre and to keep backstage running smoothly. They also participate in the Finale (last song of the recital).

Will there be flowers for sale in the lobby?

No. All flowers need to be pre-ordered. Please use the link found above under Recital Packages. All orders due by April 15.

Is jewelry allowed? If so, what kind? Why or why not?

No jewelry. This includes bracelets, necklaces, all earrings, etc. If it is not part of the costume, it can be distracting. There is also potential for it to be lost, or get caught on a costume, fall off on stage causing injury to someone stepping on it etc.

What is auditorium etiquette in between shows?

Please only exit and enter during applause in between numbers. The sounds and entering the auditorium can be distracting to dancers and patrons.



RECITAL FAQ

What type and position on the head should the bun/hairstyle be?

Student's hair should be parted in the center, with a low bun as close to the nape of the neck as possible. If a student's hair is too short to pull into a bun, it can be parted and slicked back.

Are hair accessories other than those provided with the costume allowed?

No.

What kind of makeup should dancers have? What color palettes are acceptable?

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2. Pink Blush
3. Neutral Eye-Shadows (Brown, Taupe, Champagne)
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5. Medium Pink Lipstick

Boys: very light stage makeup including foundation, neutral blush, no lip stick.

Do dancers need a specific style/color of shoe or add-on shoe accessory?

Students should wear the dance shoes they wear for class. Confirm with your instructor that you have the correct style and color.

What is your policy on undergarments under costumes?

Everyday undergarments cannot be worn under costumes. This creates bunching and they can almost always be seen from the audience.

Who is allowed in the dressing room with my dancer?

Volunteers, dancers and staff.

Will the dressing room be monitored by a responsible adult at all times?

Yes. We have Adult Volunteers supervising each room.



RECITAL FAQ

What if I have more than one dancer participating in the show?

Each student is assigned an area with their specific level/class.

Will I be expected or required to send someone to change my child between dances if I can't?

No, we have volunteers in place to help prepare students for multiple dances. We also have a special location for any quick changes in between numbers.

What if my child's hair or makeup needs to be touched up between dances?

Our volunteers, as well as teachers, will also take care of this.

Is my child allowed to leave the dressing area alone? Must I be there to escort him/her if he/she needs to leave?

All students will be escorted to the stage, or restroom by their area Volunteer or Teacher.

May I take photos in the dressing area?

No, because there may be some students changing. We encourage photos to be taken in the lobby.

Are food and drinks allowed in the dressing area? If so, what kind?

Only bottled water. Students may bring snacks only if necessary. The recitals are short enough they shouldn't have time to snack.

Are electronics allowed in the dressing area? If so, what are the rules regarding their use?

Yes, but Whitby Dance Company is not liable if the item is damaged or lost. Bring at your discretion.

Where do I pick my child up after the recital?

After each performance, parents may greet their dancer at their designated dressing area. All dancers must be signed in/out by 1 (one) Parent/Guardian. ID May be required.

Can I record/take pictures during the shows?

For the safety of our dancers photographs and videotaping during the recital performance is **strictly prohibited**. Patrons will be asked to leave the theatre if they are seen videotaping.

PHOTO DAY

June 4th & 5th, 2024 at our Anderson Location in Studio A
Please click link below for schedule

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1cdpcB6ZchTEr6ttcTvr3fsqzqxT3hwe3B51h6umgfUA/edit?usp=sharing>

PRIORITY REGISTRATION

**Priority registration for returning families will be from
May 20th - 26th, 2024**

The First 150 families will receive a special surprise

More information to come... Stay tuned!

