



## Dressing Room Volunteers Update

We've had so many wonderful people volunteer, but we still need help! We truly couldn't do this without your support, so thank you so much to those of you who have already signed up. And for those that haven't, don't worry! There are tons of slots open for both the ballet and jazz shows. Level I/II rooms need the most support from our families. Please click on the links below to sign up!

### **Ballet Show Volunteers**

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f44adac29abffc25-ballet1>

### **Jazz Show Volunteers**

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f44adac29abffc25-jazz1>

\*Reminder, the training for dressing room volunteers will be held on Wednesday, May 4, from 6:00-7:30pm in Studio 11 A & B.

## **Performance Fees Past Due**

[pay my performance fee](#)

If performance fees have slipped your mind, today is the day to check it off your to do list! There are approximately 40 families who have not yet paid their performance fees. These fees pay for costumes, props, sets, special lighting, and all of the things that go into making these performances special for our dancers and audience members. Please, go to the link above, to complete your registration and pay your fees online.

## **Sets & Props Update**

The props are coming along beautifully! I will refrain from sharing too much so that you can be surprised when you see everything.

AND... *we still need help May 23-25*: The Theater Department is donating a set piece to us that is currently being used in the play *The Liar*, which closes on Sunday, May 22. (Last newsletter I mistakenly wrote May 27.) Two parents have already kindly volunteered to paint the first coat of white over the set, but it will need 2 coats so two additional volunteers would be so very helpful!

To volunteer go to the link below and sign up under "Sets and Props"

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f44adac29abffc25-ballet>

## **Dressing Room Assignments**

Level I and II: 11 A & B

Level III & IV: Dressing Rooms C, D, E

Level V: Dressing Room A

Boys/ Men: Dressing Room B

## **Dance Academy Store**

If your dancer(s) need supplies for the show, they can get them at a discount here: <https://www.discountdance.com/>

## **Individual & Class Photos Are Back!**

Professional photographs by Denver Dance Photography will be taken during dress rehearsals on May 26 (Ballet) and June 9 (Jazz). There is no obligation to purchase photographs, but look for packets with all of the information to come home with your dancer the week of April 25. Order forms must be turned in to the photo box in studio 20 no later than the Tuesday before dress rehearsal. If paying by credit card, please still turn in your order form and plan to pay DDP on dress rehearsal night.

\*Note, Company photo ordering is different and there will be a dancer/parent meeting on April 30 at 12:30pm, after warm up, to hand out packets and go over those particulars.

If you are able to volunteer some time to help assemble the photo packets, on Tuesday, April 19 from 5:00-7:30pm in studio 22 click here: [photo packet assembly](#) to help out!

## **Miscellaneous AND Important Information**

Dancers will not be allowed to sit in the audience for Act II of either show, due to the theater's Covid protocols. If you feel strongly about your child sitting with you for Act II, you will have to prove that they are vaccinated or have a recent negative covid test AND purchase them a ticket to do so. As an alternative, Christina is working on securing a space where the dancers can go to watch the live stream of the shows.

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR PERFORMANCE WEEK:

YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR KNOWING THIS INFORMATION!

- **What NOT to Bring into the Dressing Rooms:** No cameras, cell phones or food are allowed in dressing rooms. DO NOT eat in costume or in the dressing rooms. Sippy style water bottles are preferred. Do not bring anything valuable to the theater, and label all belongings. It is helpful if you put the last name and the dancer's level on shoes or tights labels. i.e. "T. Archer B V"
- **What to Bring to the Theater:**
  - extra hairpins
  - lipstick
  - tights
  - ballet shoes
  - makeup remover
  - hairnets
  - warm up clothes
  - something nice to wear when you leave the theater

It is tradition in the dance world to leave the theater in nice clothes. If a dancer is modest about changing in the dressing room, then I suggest an extra-large button up shirt for them to dress under. Any of the instructors can explain this in detail. For Level I and II dancers, it is a good idea to create a box with your dancer's name on it, where they can keep all their show belongings.

- **When do we apply stage makeup?** Level I and II dancers should come with eye makeup on. Level III-V dancers should apply their stage makeup at the theater.
- **What is, and is not, okay to wear while performing?** No jewelry, nail polish, or metallic hair clips on stage; they catch the light and distract from the dancing. Regular bras and underwear should not be worn under costumes. Tights and dance bras should be worn.
- **Dress Rehearsal protocols:** Dancers are not allowed to leave the building during rehearsals and performances, and once in costume they cannot go into the theater lobby or leave their dressing rooms unsupervised. Dancers who leave the Center during dress rehearsal risk being pulled from the show.
- **Can you take pictures?** It is okay to take NON-FLASH pictures during dress rehearsal. If a parent uses a flash camera I WILL take it away and lock it up for the evening after the 1<sup>st</sup> warning. It is very dangerous for the dancers if a flash goes off while they are turning and a picture is not worth a sprained ankle or concussion if a dancer falls. Pictures and videos are NOT allowed during the performances.