

March 9, 2015

Dear Danceworks Families,

Thank you for enrolling your child in a JCC studio class with Danceworks! Your child’s dance class will be participating in our student showcase on **Sunday, June 7th at 2pm**. There are several pieces of imperative information in this packet. Please familiarize yourself with the information, and feel free to reach out to me with any questions.

Sincerely,

Kathleen Grusenski

Danceworks Studio Manager

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**What’s the theme of the showcase?**

This year’s production, *A Whimsical Waltz in Wonderland*, is inspired by the classic tale of Alice in Wonderland, with a Danceworks twist! Each class has been assigned a specific character in the story.

**When is the performance?**

The showcase will take place at Whitefish Bay High School on Sunday, June 7th at 2pm.

**What time should my dancer arrive on June 7th?**

Students should arrive at Whitefish Bay High School at 1pm, one hour prior to their performance.

**How can I purchase tickets?**

Advance tickets will be on sale Monday, April 13 thru Monday June 1. They may be purchased in person at Danceworks, over the phone (414-277-8480), or on-line (danceworksmke.org). Admission is $7/adult, $5/youth (6-16), and free for children under 5. Phone and on-line orders will be placed at will-call to pick-up during dress rehearsal or on the day of the performance. Tickets will also be sold during dress rehearsal and, if available, may be on sale before each show in the lobby of the theatre. All tickets are general seating, and doors open 30 minutes prior to show time.

**How long is the show?**

The show will run approximately 1 hour and 10 minutes with no intermission. Refreshments will be available for purchase before each performance.

**How can I volunteer for the showcase?**

Many volunteers are needed to make the showcase a success. Volunteers are needed to help backstage, in the lobby, and prior to the show to build props and create costume pieces. **Each volunteer receives one free ticket to the show of your choice.** If you are interested, please contact Kathleen Grusenski, Studio Manager: kgrusenski@danceworksmke.org; 414-277-8470 ext. 6006.

**What do I need to know about dress rehearsal?**

Dress rehearsal will be held at Whitefish Bay High School on Friday, June 5th. See the attached page for a specific dress rehearsal schedule for your child’s class(es).

Students will meet their teacher in the theatre before their dress rehearsal time. **Students must be accompanied by an adult in the theatre during dress rehearsal until going backstage to lineup.** Parents/guardians will not be permitted in the backstage area.

Each class has a 10 minute allotment for dress rehearsal. Dancers are required to arrive and be ready 15 minutes prior to their scheduled stage time. Dancers must be in full dress and makeup at this time. If you need additional time for hair, makeup or costuming, please plan accordingly.

**Does Danceworks offer flower sales for the showcase?**

Danceworks offers the convenient option to pre-order a bouquet of three “crazy daisies,” which you can pick up in the lobby the day of the performance. Bouquets are $6, and can be ordered in person, over the phone, or on our website. The deadline to order is May 9, 2015.

**Where can I purchase a DVD of the show?**

Danceworks offers professionally filmed DVD recordings of the showcase through EdTV for $25. Order forms will be available during dress rehearsal and on the day of the performance in the lobby. Orders and payments can be made directly through EdTV on the day of the performance. For the safety of our dancers, flash photography and video recording are prohibited during the performance.

**Can I get some awesome new Danceworks showcase apparel?**

You can pre-order your specially-designed Danceworks *Whimsical Waltz* *in Wonderland* Tshirt today! Shirts will be available for pick-up at our Water Street location on May 18. Shirts are $10, and can be ordered in person, over the phone, or on our website. The deadline to order is May 9, 2015.

**What about costumes, hair and makeup?**

Makeup is encouraged to highlight dancers’ features under the bright stage lights. For girls, we suggest using eye shadow, blush, eye liner, eye brow pencil and lipstick. Hair should be pulled away from the face and secure. You can find specific costume, hair and makeup details for your child’s class(es) in the packet distributed during Observation Week.

**Questions? Please contact Kathleen Grusenski, Studio Manager:**

kgrusenski@danceworksmke.org 414-277-8480 ext 6006, or stop by our front desk.

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| **Dress Rehearsal Schedule - JCC 2pm Show** |
| **Friday, June 5** |
| \*Tap/Ballet Wed 4:00 (into Narration 8) | Lisa Moberly | 4:00pm |
| Character Scene - Narration 1 | NA | 4:10pm |
| DYPC Full Co | Gina Laurenzi | 4:20pm |
| Creative Dance Fri 11:00 DC | Dru Cagnoni | 4:30pm |
| Character Scene - Narration 2 | NA | 4:40pm |
| Tap/Theatre Dance Thurs 5:00 | Kathleen Grusenski | 4:50pm |
| Character Scene - Narration 3 | NA | 5:00pm |
| Ballet 4 Mon/Thurs | Faith Halaska | 5:10pm |
| Creative Dance Fri 12:00 DC | Dru Cagnoni | 5:20pm |
| Tap/Ballet Tues 4:00 | Cari Allison | 5:30pm |
| DYPC Junior Co | Gina Laurenzi | 5:40pm |
| Character Scene - Narration 4 | NA | 5:50pm |
| Creative Dance Mon 4:15  | Dru Cagnoni | 6:00pm |
| Character Scene - Narration 5 | NA | 6:10pm |
| Tap/JazzThurs 4:00  | Kathleen Grusenski | 6:20pm |
| Tap/Ballet Wed 5:00 | Lisa Moberly | 6:30pm |
| Tweedle Dee/Dum | DPC | 6:40pm |
| DYPC Senior Co | Kelly Drake | 6:50pm |
| Character Scene - Narration 6 | NA | 7:00pm |
|  Hip Hop Mon 5:00  | Jeffrey Yang | 7:10pm |
| Tap/Ballet Tues 5:00 | Cari Allison | 7:20pm |
| DPC - Queen of Hearts | DPC | 7:30pm |
| Ballet 3 4:15 | Faith Halaska | 7:40pm |
| Character Scene - Narrations 7 & 8 | NA | 7:50pm |
| Tap 3/4 Thurs 4:15 | Rachel Payden | 8:00pm |
| DYPC - Catey Ott | Kelly Drake/Catey Ott | 8:10pm |
| Character Scene - Narration 9 | NA | 8:20pm |