

CLASSES PERFORMING IN THE PINK CONCERT

BALLET: Intro to Pre-Ballet, Pre-Ballet 1, Pre-Ballet 2, Kinder Ballet

TAP: Happy Tappy Feet, Kinder Tap

HIP-HOP: Bitty Bop Hip-Hop, Kinder Hop

DÉFILÉ - PINK CONCERT

Saturday, May 23rd, 2020 @ 1:00 pm

WHAT IS DÉFILÉ?

We like to think of Défilé as a "concert-graduation". It gives our students an opportunity to perform on the stage in a comfortable situation without hours of rehearsal and tons of pressure. Parents can witness the progress their student has made over the year. Dancenter North borrowed this concept from the Paris Opera Ballet School who present a Défilé (translation: *parade*) each year at the end of their season.

SO, IT ISN'T A RECITAL?

No. It isn't a big spectacle with fancy costumes and sets.

WHEN IS MY DÉFILÉ?

All Early Childhood classes will be presented on **Saturday, May 23rd, 2020 at 1:00 pm.**

WHERE IS DÉFILÉ HELD?

We hold our performances at the Carmel High School Auditorium located at One Carmel Parkway, Mundelein, Illinois 60060.

HOW LONG DOES THE CONCERT LAST?

You can expect your concert to last approximately one hour.

WHO PARTICIPATES?

All students in technique classes starting with our **Intro to Pre-Ballet** classes up through our graduating **8th graders** participate in Défilé. Elective classes (such as Leaps & Turns, Foot & Ankle Conditioning, etc.) are not presented in Défilé. Mommy & Me students, High School students, & Adult students do not participate either.

HOW MUCH REHEARSAL CAN WE EXPECT?

Dancenter North believes that class time should be spent developing technique. For that reason, practice for Défilé is kept at a minimum and rehearsed only during a small fraction of class time.

WHAT IS THE FEE FOR THAT I PAID AT REGISTRATION TIME?

The fee (which was included with Spring semester tuition) pays for the supplement to the student's apparel for the occasion. Our staff works to find an appropriate accessory for each class and each student. It is organized, packaged and delivered during your class 1-2 weeks prior to the concert.

WHAT SORT OF COSTUMING/APPAREL MUST WE ALSO SUPPLY?

Female Ballet students will be required to wear their classroom uniform of a light pink leotard with **NO skirt attached** and pink, non-shiny, footed tights with pink ballet shoes. A pink tutu will also be required. Purchasing information for tutus will be made available in future communication. Students who have purchased a pink tutu from The Avenue for past Défilé concerts are not required to purchase a new tutu. Male Ballet students will be required to wear their classroom uniform of black shorts, a white t-shirt, white socks, & black ballet shoes. All Ballet students will also receive a supplemental accessory for the concert. Early Childhood Tap and Hip-Hop students will wear their required classroom uniform and no additional costume pieces will need to be purchased. Your child's teacher will supplement his/her attire with an accessory.

HOW MUCH ARE TICKETS AND HOW DO WE PURCHASE THEM?

A ticket lottery will be held for all performances. Tickets are \$13.00 each and all seats are reserved. Look for further information in the next informational letter, which will be posted in the Défilé section of our website at www.dancenter-north.com/defile

WHY DO WE HAVE TO PAY FOR A TICKET?

Ticket sales help to defray the expenses such as theatre rental, janitorial workers, insurance, printing, office expenses, rental of lighting and sound equipment, technical personnel for the performances, backdrop and the numerous personnel needed to make the day run smoothly.

WHAT IF OUR SCHEDULE CHANGES AND WE NEED TO CHANGE TO A DIFFERENT CLASS?

Any student who wishes to make changes to their Spring class schedule must do so by **SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1st, 2020**. Any changes made after this date will mean that the student will not be able to participate with their new class in the Défilé performance.

WHAT IF OUR CHILD IS NOT INTERESTED OR IS UNAVAILABLE TO PERFORM?

If your child chooses not to participate in this year's Défilé for personal reasons, **please send your regrets via email to info@dancenter-north.com with "Défilé Regret"** in the subject line. Instructors need to know if your student will not participate in this program, as it affects choreography. **Regrets must be sent no later than SAT, FEB 1st ONLY IF YOUR CHILD IS NOT GOING TO PARTICIPATE.** Your decision to not participate is irreversible. Défilé fees are nonrefundable, regardless of participation.