

# Newsletter

## HARBOR DANCE



Hello Harbor Dance Families,

It's that time of year! Graduations, celebrations, Father's Day, and our studio's ANNUAL PRODUCTION! Please make sure to read all announcements you get from us, there is a lot of information, but the more informed we all are, the more successful our production will become .

## CALENDAR

**June 1:** Recital tickets go on sale!

**June 2:** Maritime Gig Parade - Harbor Dance will hand out candy and dance!

**June 3:** FREE performance! Harbor Dance will perform at Skansie Park at 10:00 am. Harbor Voice will be right after. They have a great line up of entertainment for the day. Come see!

**June 20:** Last day of classes

**June 21-23:** Annual Production

**June 29-30:** Come support our sister studio and see some awesome dancing. Premiere Show - Saturday, June 30th at 12:30pm. Encore - Friday, June 29th at 5:30pm.

## ANNUAL PRODUCTION 2018:

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** - We need parent volunteers to help at the rehearsals and shows. Please let the front desk know, or simply respond to this email so we can plug you in to help. The success of each show relies on diligent help from volunteers, please consider helping out. Anyone who volunteers for a show, will need to be available for the dress rehearsal of that show as well as the show itself. Our biggest need is for parents to watch over our dancers as they await to take the stage. Moms will be assigned to their dancer's room.

**ANNUAL PRODUCTION GUIDELINES:** They are extremely important to familiarize yourself with. We understand this is a lot of information, but each family must be responsible to know the information included to make this event successful. We recommend you print and keep a copy handy at all times.

**PHOTO SHOOT SCHEDULE-** is attached in the body of this email and included in the Recital Guidelines. Please note that all classes that aren't Thursday mornings or on Saturdays are close to their regular class time or during. Arrive at the studio at your regular class time, unless your scheduled photo shoot is prior to this time.

**FLOWERS FOR YOUR DANCERS:** Please note it is a long standing tradition to present your performer with flowers after their performance. We do not wish for any of our lovely dancers to feel left out. Whether you decide to present your dancer with a single rose or bouquet your dancer(s) will appreciate the gesture of a job well done!

**RECITAL ACCESSORIES CHART** - Attached you will find our 2018 recital accessories log. This details each class's hair, tights, shoes, and any additional details they will need for our Annual Production performance. Remember, unless otherwise indicated, this is your responsibility to provide for your dancer. Please pick up your accessories PRIOR to photoshoot if at all possible. This week is extremely hectic, and you will be glad you prepared in advance.

**RECITAL REMINDERS** - Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$12 for seniors and children 9 or under, and free for any child under 4 who sits on a parent's lap. We also offer a multi-show discount. DVD's of the show are available for \$25 for the first copy and \$20 per additional. Our teams pre-sell flowers as a fundraiser, which can be collected at the theater for your convenience. A week prior to recital, we will have a photo shoot by the amazing Lisa Hystek to commemorate the year (the photo schedule is the one attached). These photos are available for purchase through her. We want everyone who considers to participate in recital to be made aware of any fees that might be associated with this production. Dancers may only participate in recital if all account fees are paid in full.

**ANNUAL PRODUCTION TICKETS: IMPORTANT CHANGE TO PRIOR YEARS!!** Seating this year will be assigned, NOT general admission. Tickets will go on sale June 1st at Harbor Dance. Only individuals with accounts paid in full may purchase tickets. Absolutely NO refunds will be permitted due to assigned seating. Please visit the studio to purchase tickets as opposed to calling. It is very busy this time of year. Although we hire extra staff to help out, it is difficult to answer phone calls and thus priority will be given to those who buy from the studio. Calls will be returned when time permits.

**TAKE CARE OF YOUR COSTUMES AND ACCESSORIES:** As recital costumes start to arrive, please do not allow your dancer to wear or play with the costume until after recital. If anyone loses a hair or head piece which cannot be replaced by the costume company in time, the policy is that no one in the dance gets to wear one, so PLEASE be extra diligent not to lose them if one is included with your dancer's costume.

**SUMMER AND FALL SCHEDULES** - The schedule for Summer and preliminary for Fall is attached. Registration for Summer began May 1st. Fall registration will take place July 16-20 for returning students and open to the public on July 23rd. For preferred classes, be sure to register before classes open to the public. FALL SCHEDULE is subject to change as registration progresses, please check your email regularly in case your dancer's class has a change in time.

**STUDENT EVALUATIONS** - Students will receive an evaluation from their instructor between June and recital time. These will indicate placement for Summer and Fall, 2018. Please note the following: Dancers often do not move up every year automatically. They must master skills in their level before moving up. Typically, all dancers stay in the same level for summer, then if they are moving up, they will be placed in the next level for Fall.

**LAST DAY OF REGULAR CLASSES:** Wednesday June 20th.

**LOST AND FOUND:** Reminder: the lost and found items are donated to a local charity at the end of each month. Please check it!

**FOOD FOR THOUGHT:** "Literature, Painting, Music--the most basic lesson that all art teaches us is to stop, look, and listen to life, on this planet, including our own lives, as a vastly richer, deeper, more mysterious existence than most of the time it ever occurs to us to suspect as we bumble along from day to day on automatic pilot." --Frederick Buechner

