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## *Recital Information Packet*

Dear West Main Studios Parents,

We are so excited for WMS's 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Recital! This year's Recital theme is "Broadway Baby". The show will be held at the beautiful James Clemens High School on Saturday, June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019. Show times are 1 pm Matinee' & 6 pm Evening Show.

Please read the information in this packet very carefully and be sure to add all dates and times to your family's calendar. **All schedules and details included are very important.** Well-informed parents can help the performance season run smoothly and be less stressful for everyone!

As well, all of this information will also be posted on our website: www.westmainstudios.com. Schedules are subject to change. Any changes or updates will be sent out via email and posted online via our Facebook Page and website - with as much advance notice as possible. We also communicate via text message, if you have signed up for this method.

We have worked very hard on this detailed schedule and hope that it not only improves recital day, but also serves to make a more stress free and enjoyable time for you and your dancer.

As always, thank you for choosing WMS, and please feel free to contact us with any questions or concerns.

*Dancingly Yours!*

Rachael Allison, Owner & Chief Artistic Director

Beverly Smith, Owner/Office & General Manager

Scarlett Smith, Director of Operations & Policies

Megan Cleland, Director of Student Affairs/Social Media Director

Valued Dance Instructors/Choreographers: Eugene Fleming, Olivia Buchanan, Savanna Sitton



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# PARTICIPATION

ALL ACCOUNTS Must be CURRENT IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN SPRING SHOW 2019... This includes Monthly Tuition, Recital Fees and any other outstanding debts. No Exceptions. If you need to discuss your account, please see Ms. Beverly. We thank you in advance for your cooperation!

# IMPORTANT DATES

**MARCH 2019  
TICKETS ON SALE**

**DANCE STUDIO PRO (PARENT PORTAL)**



**APRIL 1**

**RECITAL FEES DUE**

**MAY 27<sup>TH</sup>-MAY 30<sup>TH</sup> : (MONDAY-THURSDAY) LAST WEEK OF CLASS**

**DRESS REHEARSAL: FRIDAY - MAY 31<sup>ST</sup> @ JAMES CLEMENS HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM**

**MAY 31<sup>ST</sup> – FRIDAY: MANDATORY DRESS REHEARSAL (THIS MEANS IN YOUR RECITAL COSTUMES :) THIS REHEARSAL WILL BEGIN APPROXIMATELY @ 4PM WITH SPECIFIC SET TIMES ( THERE WILL BE AN ANNOUNCED ORDER OF PERFORMANCE FOR DRESS REHEARSAL) WE WILL REHEARSE OUT OF ORDER FOR TIMES SAKE AND THE SAKE OF OUR YOUNGER DANCERS. PLEASE LOOK FOR THIS AS IT WILL BE EMAILED, POSTED ON OUR WEBSITE, PARENT PORTAL AND IN THE STUDIO LOBBY. YOU MAY LEAVE WHEN YOU ARE DONE WITH YOUR CLASS OR CLASSES STAGE TIME. YOU MAY ESTIMATE YOUR STAGE TIME BUT MISSING CONSTITUTES NO PERFORMANCE. PLEASE BE TIME AWARE. \***



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**JUNE 1ST 1 PM**

**MATINEE RECITAL PERFORMANCE**

**JUNE 1ST 6 PM**

**EVENING RECITAL PERFORMANCE**

## TICKETS

Tickets are sold through our parent portal – Dance Studio Pro – the link will be active March 2019. Seats are selected utilizing a seating chart. All tickets are \$12, and all are reserved seating. The earlier you log on, the better your seat choices will be. James Clemens High School - has a very nice auditorium with ample room. **VERY IMPORTANT: WE WILL NOT BE ABLE TO LOOK UP YOUR TICKET SEAT SELECTIONS – YOU MUST KEEP THEM HANDY VIA YOUR PHONE OR PRINTED.** Tickets will be on Sale at the Door for guests wishing to purchase.

## WMS 2019 RECITAL T-SHIRTS

- **ORDERING** - Every WMS dancer will want a Spring Show 2019 Recital Tee Shirt! Order by May 15<sup>th</sup> and pay \$18. You may order in our Dance Studio Pro Online Store – or via sign up sheet in our Studio Lobby. We do order a few extra! The shirt represents our “Broadway Baby” theme and has the entire cast on the back of the shirt.

## VOLUNTEERS / CLASS MOMS

One of the MOST important parent volunteer jobs is “Class Mom”. There are two Mom’s per class. These Moms stay with their group during dress Rehearsal & during the Recital Shows. **Please consider signing up to be your Dancer’s Class Mom or a back-stage helper.**

If you are planning to be a Back-Stage Mom - (You know who you are) We would like to have a brief meeting and will set up a “Group Me” of our workers so that we can easily communicate before Dress Rehearsal and Show Day. \* Thank you! ***Our Show is a Production of great magnitude and it takes a LOT of work. We need your help!***

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- **COSTUMES** – Costumes will be tried on in class as shipments arrive. Any alterations are the responsibility of the parent. WMS does NOT provide alterations. Costumes with significant sizing issues will be sent back to the manufacturer for size exchange. Costumes should NOT be worn for any reason except for Picture Day, Rehearsals and Recital Day. Costumes CANNOT be replaced if damaged or lost.
- **UNDERGARMENTS** – ALL DANCERS MUST WEAR NUDE UNDERGARMENTS IF NEEDED FOR COSTUMES. For example – dancers with a light-colored costume, etc. Students who wish to wear bras must purchase a nude/flesh toned bra and panties from a dance retailer to wear under their costume. We do have a few of these in our WMS Student Store. Please request this immediately if needed. NO colored bras of any nature to be worn under costumes.
- **TIGHTS** – If required for your dancer’s costume, tights are charged to your individual account. We recommend having an extra pair of tights on hand, just in case one pair gets a run! If you would like extras, we have them in our WMS Student Store. Costs are \$17 for Child Sizes & \$19 for Adult Sizes. Specialty Tights (i.e., Fishnet (Black & Nude) are \$27.
- **HAIR** – Please take note of the hair requirements for each level of dance. All hair must be slicked back. Pin bangs back with bobby pins if necessary. Dancers with high buns: Hot Buns work great to assist in putting hair into bun.
  - **LEVEL ONE AND ABOVE-** Bun – neat and secured
  - **COMPANY DANCERS-** “company” hairdo
  - **COMBO CLASSES** (Creative Movement Ballet/Tap, Stage Arts Ballet/Tap, Baby Take a Bow, Creative Movement Stage Arts Jazz/Acro)- high bun
- **MAKE-UP** – Stage lighting washes out dancers; therefore, we ask them to wear tinted foundation/bronzer, blush, eye makeup and lipstick. If you are not comfortable with this, please let us know. Only makeup in these colors shall be worn:
  - **FOUNDATION / BRONZER** – Color that blends with face but gives a slight tan color.
  - **BLUSH** – Basic Rosey Pink



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- **EYE-SHADOW** – Brown, Tan & Natural Cream Tones for the eyes with a Dark Brown color blended into the crease. **NO BLUE.**
- **EYELINER, FAKE EYELASHES & MASCARA** – Black and thickly applied.
- **LIPSTICK** – Bright Red (not orangey or burgundy but a Primary Red Color)
- **COVER-UP** – Students must wear a cover-up over their costumes at all times while waiting to perform / rehearse. A bathrobe or oversized button-up shirt from Mom or Dad works well. **NO Shirts allowed that must be pulled over the head as they will mess up hair and makeup.**
- **PROHIBITED ITEMS DURING PICTURE DAY, REHEARSALS & RECITAL**
  - Jewelry of any kind – do NOT get your ears pierced before the Recital!
  - Nail polish
  - Temporary tattoos
  - Underwear (nude leotard / briefs only)
  - Tights with runs or holes

No Videography of any kind During Recital Shows of 1pm & 6pm (this includes cell phones - We will have a Madison Police Officer not only for protection reasons but as well to enforce rules. We kindly appreciate your cooperation and respect!

**Flash Drives are available via the studio and online\* Costs \$35.00**

## **WHAT TO BRING TO REHEARSALS & RECITALS**

- **LABELED PERSONAL BELONGINGS** - Label absolutely everything!!
- **TOTES / BAGS** – We recommend bringing all of your dancer's items in a large tote or plastic container labeled with the child's name. Caboodles or tackle boxes are great for make-up and hair items.



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- **COSTUMES** – Jumbo ZIP-LOCK BAGS work well to put over Costumes.
- **COSTUME ACCESSORIES** – ZIP-LOCK BAGS work well to hold these.
- **SHOES** – Bring all needed pairs!
- **TIGHTS** – Bring all needed pairs and any extra pairs!
- **UNDERGARMENTS** – As stated under Costume Information.
- **MAKE-UP** – Foundation / Bronzer, Blush, Eye-Shadow, Eyeliner, Fake Eyelashes, Mascara & Lipstick. NO sharing will be allowed for hygienic reasons.
- **HAIR SUPPLIES** – Hair Bands, Hot Buns, Bobby Pins, Hairspray, Hairbrush, Etc.
- **SNACKS** – Please ensure these are “clean” snacks. No Cheetos, Nacho Doritos, Chocolate Items, etc. Costumes must stay as clean as possible!
- **BOTTLED WATER** - Please send bottled water with your dancer! Label this too.
- **ACTIVITIES** – Quiet, clean activities keep the dancers occupied. NO MARKERS. Just crayons, pencils, simple (easily cleaned up) games, cards, iPod, etc. Lost items are not the responsibility of WMS.
- **TOWEL / BLANKET** – This provides a nice place for the dancer to sit.

## **WMS STUDENT & ONLINE STORES**

Make sure to check out the WMS Student Store which is located inside the Studio – if you need last minute tights, leotards, shoes, etc. We are ready to assist you!

Remember, our online Store has all that you might need for recital extras.

## **PROGRAM BOOK AT RECITAL**

***Program Books will be on sale at Recital for \$12. You can pre-order them now for \$10. Our 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Show Program***



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***Book is in Full color ~ Make sure to get one for your Dancer!  
Making Memories is what it's all about!\****

## **DRESS REHEARSAL**

- **ARRIVAL** - **DANCERS must arrive & check into dressing room 30 minutes before their first scheduled rehearsals.**
- **FULL COSTUMES, HAIR & MAKE-UP COMPLETED**
- **VIDEOING** - Parents are encouraged to stay and watch the dress rehearsal. You may video any part of this; however, we will strictly enforce the NON-USE of video equipment, including cell phones, during the ACTUAL performances as we will be under contract with a Videographer.
- **PARENTAL ASSISTANCE** - During Dress Rehearsal, you may assist your dancer. **During Recital - we ask that you do NOT come backstage except during Intermission.** At that time, we will be asking that you assist your dancers with preparations for the next act.
- **Younger Classes may be asked to come back and collect their dancers** – we will notify you at Dress rehearsal if this is the case.
- **DURATION** - Dancers must stay after their performances to bow after Finale. A fun time!

\*\*Trophy / Special Awards will be given after the last number in our 6pm show.\* If you have not signed up - requirements are 2 years of Dance at WMS\*

**DRESS REHEARSAL @ James Clemens High School - Friday, May 31st** – Start time: approximately 4pm\* Please make arrangements for your dancer to be there – It is **MANDATORY** for Recital Participation. An email will be sent with exact times for rehearsal as we do rehearse out of order from our Show.

**DRESS REHEARSAL MEANS YOU WEAR YOUR COSTUMES FOR EACH DANCE PIECE.... 😊**





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- **BRING COSTUMES, ACCESSORIES, TIGHTS & SHOES** – Ensures no wardrobe malfunctions.

## MONTH OF MAY – ATTENDANCE POLICY

Your attendance is a **PRIORITY** as each class is a team effort and is pertinent to a finely tuned **RECITAL**. **\*\*\*We will be rehearsing intensely during classes\*\*\* Excessive attendance during this time could result in your Dancer being unsure of their dance piece and/or not being able to be in the show.**

## RECITAL PERFORMANCES & MATINEE’

### RECITAL DAY @ James Clemens High School –

### SATURDAY, June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019 –

**1 pm ~ MATINEE’**

**6 pm ~ EVENING SHOW**

*We have reserved seating for both shows and tickets will be on sale until Thursday midnight-May 30th. You may purchase on our website or Facebook or your Parent Portal. Typically, the ONLY classes that do not participate in both shows are the Creative Movement Classes, 2 Year Olds and sometimes Stage Arts – A list pertinent to your dancer’s performances are posted in the studio and on our website [www.westmainstudios.com](http://www.westmainstudios.com)*

#### Show Times

##### Matinee:

Baby Take a Bow, Monday 4:45 Stage Arts (A) Ballet/ Tap, Thursday 3:45 Stage Arts Jazz/Acro, Thursday 4:45 Stage Arts (B) Ballet/Tap, Thursday 5:45 “You Say” “Mr. Monotony” “Antidote” “Autumn Leaves” “Already Gone”

##### Evening:

Creative Movement (A) Ballet/Tap, Tuesday 3:45 Creative Movement Jazz/Acro, Tuesday 4:45 Creative Movement (B) Ballet/Tap, Tuesday 5:45 “Ghost” “Right Now” “How Far I’ll Go” “Bluebird” “Tea Party” “Fireball” \* If you do NOT SEE your class - that means you are in BOTH SHOWS - LEVEL 1 AND UP.



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- **ARRIVAL** - **DANCERS must arrive & check into dressing room 1 HOUR prior to each show.**
- **CHECK-IN** - **Parents sign their Dancers in at the Check-In Table.** Parents who are not class Mom Volunteers, please get your dancer settled and head to the audience to enjoy your dancer's show.
- **FULL COSTUMES, HAIR & MAKE-UP** - **ALL Dancers** should arrive in their first costume, with hair & makeup already done. Make sure you have an appropriate cover-up for your costume such as a large shirt or robe, etc. This looks proper and is respectful to all. It also keeps costumes clean.
- **ADDITIONAL COSTUMES** – These should be arranged in a garment bag as well as itemized and labeled to assist your dancer.
- **QUICK CHANGES** - Refer to Show line-up. These dancers will have specific instructions as to where they need to leave certain costumes for quick changes. **Deana Aumalis will be in charge of this area.** Please speak with her at dress rehearsal if you have questions or need assistance.
- **PARENTAL ASSISTANCE DURING INTERMISSION ONLY** - During Intermission, we ask that you assist your dancers with preparations for the next act.
- **DURATION** - Dancers must stay in their dressing rooms throughout the ENTIRE SHOW to bow with the ALL dancers at the end of Act II. There will be a dedicated staff member and volunteers in the dressing rooms to help students and keep them occupied. The show should last no more than 2.5 hours with a 15-minute Intermission.
- **FEED YOUR DANCER PRIOR TO ARRIVAL!** - *Please* make sure your child eats lunch before the Matinee' and something as well before the evening show.
- **Concessions WILL be available and reasonably priced.**

## RECITAL ETIQUETTE

Dance recitals are a fun and wonderful event for both the dancers and the audience! Please follow these basic rules of audience etiquette to ensure a pleasant experience for all:

1. Silence cell phones.
2. No flash Photography or Videography of any kind.



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3. Do not raise tablets or phones to take photos. The lights are disturbing to those around you.
4. Please stand when others need to pass through your row.
5. Please remain seated during the entire performance, unless it is absolutely necessary to move. Only enter or leave your seat during a break in the program indicated by a black stage, or during intermission.
6. If your child in the audience becomes noisy or active, please take him/her outside of the auditorium so as not to disturb others.
7. Remember that the dancers on stage can see and hear the audience. Positive smiles and clapping are much appreciated. *Save the yelling, whistles, whoops and hollers for a competitive event, not a recital performance.*

## CONCESSIONS

A variety of concessions will be available in the Lobby at both Recital performances.

## VIDEOS

Videos will be available for purchase for \$35 each. You may order online on our website at [www.westmainstudios.com](http://www.westmainstudios.com) or a sign up form will be available in the Studio lobby. You may order at the show as well.

## FLOWERS

Many parents wish to give their dancer flowers at the conclusion of the Recital. This is completely up to you and need not be expensive. You May order them via our website or in the studio.

### **We want Your Recital Day to be a pleasant and memorable day!**

By giving you an abundance of information, we hope to avoid any problems that may occur and want to produce an atmosphere conducive to happiness and enjoyment for you and your family. We appreciate you all and strive to continue to provide the utmost in Dance Education.

## PRE-REGISTRATION 2019-2020

Don't forget to pre-register for classes for the upcoming 2019-2020 dance year! You can register online at [www.westmainstudios.com](http://www.westmainstudios.com)



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For Summer Dance Fun and Register for Classes

– Go Here to Learn More: <https://www.westmainstudios.com/summer-2019.html>