



HCA Celebrates!

2022 Year-End Dance Recital Information Package

Please take the time to read this document carefully to be fully prepared for our recital

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Show Date & Time

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Saturday, June 25, 2022

6:00 PM: Act I

7:15 PM: Act II

Tickets

- Tickets are \$19 each and can be purchased at HCA's front desk. Please note that ticket sales are not online
- Tickets went on sale Saturday, April 30th
- Tickets will be on sale at the door between 5-7 PM on the evening of the event
- Seating is assigned (there is no general seating)
- There is no limit to the number of tickets that can be purchased
- Tickets are sold on a first-come, first-served basis and can only be purchased if all outstanding school fees have been paid
- HCA staff members are not permitted to hold or reserve tickets
- Please let the front desk know if your guests require accessible seating so that we can be sure to arrange it in advance of the performance
- FirstOntario Concert Hall requires that everyone attending the performance over the age of 2 purchase a ticket (children 2 and under may sit on your lap and therefore will not require a ticket)
- Your ticket entitles you to a full evening of dance! Typically, the show runs for 3 hours from 6-9 PM and is broken up into two acts. There will be an intermission between acts

Location & Parking

FirstOntario Concert Hall (*formerly Hamilton Place*)

1 Summers Lane, Hamilton

- Please use the Studio Theatre entrance on Summers Lane
- There is a paid parking lot available on Summers Lane

Volunteering

Individuals interested in volunteering for the event are invited to sign up with HCA Administration at the front desk. HCA Administration will work with the Artistic Director and Dance Faculty members to determine which roles are best suited for individual volunteers. When registering, you may indicate if you would like to volunteer for acts 1 or 2. Volunteers are most helpful when volunteering for both rehearsal times *and* the evening performance. Times are listed below (page 6).

Flowers & DVDs

Each year, we have a professional videographer film the show so parents can sit back and enjoy the performance. DVDs are available for sale for \$35 and can be preordered at the HCA front desk or at the HCA ticket sales counter at FirstOntario Concert Hall on the evening of the performance.

We typically receive these DVDs later in the summer months and will give those who have ordered a call when they are ready for pick-up.

This year, **The Commencement Group** will be selling flowers at our recital, with packages at varying price points. Flowers can be preordered [on their website](#). Please contact them directly with any questions, as HCA is not directly affiliated with sales. You can [pre-order](#) or order flowers on the day of the event. They set their prices & provide many different options.

Recital Day: General Information & Rules

Drop-Off/Pick-Up Procedures for Rehearsals & Evening Performance:

Please use the Studio Theatre entrance on Summers Lane to drop students off for both the dress rehearsal and the recital. **We welcome ONE parent to bring their child(ren) to their assigned dressing room. Due to the limited space backstage and the large number of students participating in the recital, we ask that parents not wait backstage during the dress rehearsal.** HCA ensures that there are ample volunteers and asks that once parents have dropped off their children, they leave the backstage area and take their seats in the theatre. Students will stay with their teachers and volunteers in designated dressing rooms. Less crowding will help us ensure an organized backstage environment for students and staff.

When picking up your child after the performance is finished, please wait patiently in line outside their changeroom. Lines can appear long but we work diligently to ensure a quick pick up and that children remain safe. In order to prevent confusion and for student safety, we allow a small number of parents in at a time to pick up their children. We thank you in advance for your understanding and patience.

Dress Rehearsal:

Students should arrive at their scheduled time, dressed and ready to perform. Please see the schedule in this package for the list of classes in each act. **It is very important that students attend the dress rehearsal as it prepares them and their classmates for the evening performance.** During the dress rehearsal, parents may wait/watch in the audience. Dress rehearsal is the best time for personal photos and videos to be taken. Please try to sit back and enjoy the evening performance without distractions.

Dressing Rooms:

Each class/dance number will be assigned a dressing room. This will be posted in the backstage area. A staff member will also be on hand to help guide you to the correct area. **Please note: NO PHOTOS ARE PERMITTED in the dressing rooms.** We have strict privacy regulations.

Please try to have young dancers stop by the washroom just inside the entrance door before they are dropped off backstage.

What to Bring:

- Costume
- Dance shoes
- Makeup
- Hair supplies
- Water
- Snacks

Please ensure students are already in their costumes with their hair done at the rehearsal and for the evening show.

Snacks and drinks are permitted in backstage waiting rooms, but please make sure that they are labelled with their names. **Please do not send products with nuts.** We ask for “clean” snacks or drinks (this means nothing that can stain a costume should there be a spill). Suggestions: Water, crackers, cheese, apples, bananas, granola bars, etc.

Recital Day: Itinerary

FirstOntario Concert Hall

Times are approximate. We will do our best to stay within these allotted times. Please help us stay on schedule by showing up for roll call on time.

Act I Rehearsal:	
9:15 AM	Arrival of staff and volunteers for ACT I
9:30 AM	Arrival of ACT I DANCERS <i>Please arrive on time and in costume</i>
10:30 - 11:30 AM	Dress rehearsal for ACT I
11:30 - 12:00 PM	Rehearsal of Act I FINAL BOWS
12:00 PM	Staff dismissed for break, NO SUPERVISION FOR STUDENTS

Act II Rehearsal:	
12:45 PM	Arrival of staff and volunteers for ACT II
1:00 PM	Arrival of ACT II DANCERS <i>Please arrive on time and in costume</i>
2:00 - 2:30 PM	Rehearsal of Act II FINAL BOWS
2:30 - 4:00 PM	Dress rehearsal for ACT II
4:00 - 4:45 PM	Staff dismissed for break, NO SUPERVISION FOR STUDENTS

Students Return Times for Show Time:	
4:45 PM	Staff and volunteers return
5:00 PM	ACT I DANCERS RETURN Show begins at 6:00 PM
6:30 PM	ACT II DANCERS RETURN Show begins at 7:15 PM

Recital Day: Show Order

ACT I **6:00 PM**

Exact running order TBC

The classes performing in Act I will be our Novice and Junior students:

Creative Ballet - Level II Ballet, Novice and Junior Jazz and Hip Hop, Minis Combo

Act I Finale & Bows

Act I finishes at approximately 7:00 PM

- Intermission -
15 minutes

ACT II **7:15 PM**

Exact running order TBC

The classes performing in Act II will be our Intermediate and Senior students:

Level IV Ballet - Adult Ballet, Intermediate and Senior Jazz, Hip Hop, Lyrical, and Modern

Act II Finale & Bows

Act II finishes at approximately 8:45 PM