

Recital 2022

We are excited to once again hold our annual recital to give our dancers the opportunity to dance on stage and perform for families and friends! This is a very important and exciting time of year for everyone at the studio, and as such we do everything we can to have it run as smoothly as possible. Below you will find all you need to know about *Showtime 2022: I haven't been EVERYWHERE, but it's on my list!*.

Please note that any rules and guidelines regarding Covid-19 may change, as things do! At this time, the plan will be that dancers will wear masks in holding areas and backstage, but will perform without masks (unless you choose otherwise). We *will* be asking our audience members to wear a mask. Again, these protocols may change! That said, we will all do our *very best* so that no dancer has to miss a performance or recital event. Your kids are extremely proud and excited to perform for you, let's make this an event to remember!

Basic Information:

Showtime 2022: I haven't been EVERYWHERE, but it's on my list! performances will be held on June 13th, 14th, & 15th, 2022 at Shenkman Arts Centre. Please be advised that due to the large number of classes, as well as our theatre having limited seating, the recital is divided into four shows. We have done our best to divide the shows in such a way that most parents can see all of a child's numbers in one performance. This unfortunately is not entirely possible for all families. Those families will receive a discount off of the same number of tickets to a second show, to a maximum of 4 discounted tickets.

Please ensure that you know your dancer's class name and their teacher's name prior to recital events.

Important Dates:

Date	Event	Location
Tuesday, May 17th	Tickets go on sale	Online / Shenkman Box Office
May 30th - June 5th	In-class 'Wear your costumes!!'	Cumbrae Dance Centre
June 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, & 12	Last week of regular classes	Cumbrae Dance Centre
Saturday, June 11th	Stage/Spacing Rehearsal	Shenkman Arts Centre
Sunday, June 12th	Last day for shop purchases	Cumbrae Dance Centre
Monday, June 13, 6pm	Performance A	Shenkman Arts Centre
Tuesday, June 14, 4:30pm	Performance B	Shenkman Arts Centre
Tuesday, June 14, 7:30pm	Performance C	Shenkman Arts Centre
Wednesday, June 15, 6pm	Performance D	Shenkman Arts Centre
June 17/18	Photograph Day	Cumbrae
Sunday, June 26	Pre-Registration & shop sale	Cumbrae

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Attendance:

You will find in your emails, and always update on our website, a document called 'Listing By Family'. This will list all of your dancers events. Times are not included, so you will then refer to programs/schedules of specified events for your child's call time.



We hope that all dancers can attend their recital events for each of his/her dances. Due to choreography, your child's absence will affect all the other children in their group. As you can imagine, we need everyone there for the routines to run smoothly. (this includes regular classes as well as spacing rehearsals).

This is a very exciting and important time for everyone involved, and we hope for a high level of commitment from our dancers.

Ticket Sale Information:

Tickets are on sale at Shenkman box office online and in person. There is assigned seating in the auditorium, and tickets are *first come first serve*. Please note that the ticket price is set to cover the costs of the show such as the cost of renting the auditorium, the rental of all spaces/theatres to be used for changes areas, the lighting and sound crew, programs, tickets, etc. Tickets are non-exchangeable and non-refundable, so please ensure you are buying for the correct show in advance of purchase.

Performers wishing to watch any portion of the show will need a seat. The theatre will not allow children to sit on an adult's lap unless they are under the age of two. In this case, one must order a 'babe in arms' ticket (there are 15 of these available per show). Ask at the box office for info.



Recital Videos

Audience members are not permitted to take videos of their dancers during the performance.

Our recital videos are archived each year on 'DanceBug'. ALL of the 2022 videos will be available to you at no additional charge. This includes all four shows, and the montage video.



DanceBug will provide you a link approximately 1 month after the show.

Additionally, the studio has covered all costs associated with adding the 2021 Showtime videos to our archives and these will also be added to DanceBug this season.

Photograph Day Information:



We were unable to book our regular photographer this season, so we are trying something NEW! Photos (individual and group) will be taken at our Cumbrae studios, however will be available for you to pick and purchase online. This will include prints, digital download, and apparently everything from magnets to water bottles!

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Photograph Day and what to expect:

On Photograph Day, your child should come prepared with all of their costumes, make-up, and footwear for each of their dances. It is best to come dressed in costume. They should look 'stage ready' - tights without runs, no undergarments visible, etc.

Our back studio (Fintry) will be used for photographs. Both individual and group photos are taken in the same space, and are done consecutively.

If your dancer is over the age of 12, they should be dropped off. We will have a few staff helping, but we are trying to minimize the number of people in at a time. If your child is younger than 12, but comfortable without your assistance, we would be grateful for any help with keeping the number of people inside as low as possible. Otherwise, 1 parent per family.

Parents/guardians are NOT permitted to enter the photography studio under any circumstances. One of our teachers will be in the studio with each group to help with poses, however it is always a great idea for dancers to come ready to strike their favourite pose!

Change rooms: One studio will be used as a change room/holding room for students age 12 & under, while the other will be for students age 13 & up. Please note that male guardians cannot enter change rooms. NO parents will be allowed in the 13+ studio (if your child still needs your assistance then please use junior studio). Our shop studio (Garrison) will be for male students only.

Masks must be worn in change rooms and waiting areas at all times.

Space is limited, so please bring your child as prepared as possible (including hair and make-up). There is to be NO FOOD OR DRINK IN STUDIOS! Dancers can go outside to eat/drink.

Senior students: PLEASE do not take up more space than required. There are many students participating in this event, and space is limited. If you have a 'Rac-n-Roll' bag you may keep it off to the side of the studio, NOT where it will be in the way.

If your dancer has more than a 1hr break between photos they must leave and come back to reduce the number of people in the studio. Otherwise, they can wait in the changing areas provided.

Please do not use cellphones as cameras in the holding area as this area is also used as a change-room, and we value our students' privacy.

You should arrive 15 minutes early. We ask that each student is ready for their picture, in costume, with hair and make-up done. If everyone is on time, this day should run smoothly and will leave you with wonderful pictures to remember your child's recital by.

If for any reason your child cannot attend their photo day, please let us know so that we can avoid waiting for any student that is not coming.

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Recital Hashtag Fun!!

Get your cameras out and join the fun! Photos from recital week (starting with rehearsals) may be added to our montage video that is played prior to each show and during intermission! Just tag your photo with *#cumbraecital2022* ! This video gets added to DanceBug as a bonus video and to our youtube channel! Check out videos from previous seasons on youtube!



Recital Merchandise

To commemorate what has been another exceptional season, we've created an end of year shirt! Dancers' first names (alphabetically by last name) will be listed on the back.

These have been ordered and are set to arrive by stage rehearsal.

Stage Rehearsals, Performances, Photo Day.... Who Goes Where & WHEN?!

Confused as to where your child should be and when? Check out our [Listing by Family](#) document. Here you can scroll through alphabetically and find all of your child's commitments.

Link: https://www.cumbraedance.com/_files/ugd/db2bd8_69878b40ec9142feba50ea89eb31c1b4.pdf

Number of Performances:

Most senior classes will have the opportunity to perform in multiple shows. Additionally we have done this for some of our intermediate level classes. This is so that as many parents as possible will get to see their child perform all of their dances. This will make for a very busy (though hopefully fun-filled) week!!

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Stage Rehearsal Information (Saturday, June 11):

Stage/Spacing Rehearsal will be held on Saturday June 11th in the Harold Shenkman Theatre. Stage rehearsal will be your dancer's chance to see the stage, understand where to start, where the wings are etc. This is important for dancers of all ages. Additionally, this rehearsal allows for students to understand their space on the stage, and ensuring that dance group patterns are formed correctly, etc.

Hair / Attire for Stage Rehearsal on Saturday, June 11th	
Hair	<u>Recital ready hair.</u> As we will not be able to do a full dress rehearsal, this is the only time we have to ensure that dancers hair is correct for performances. We will have staff on hand should any dancer's hair need adjusting. NO fly away hairs, they must be gelled back. No messy buns, please (hairnets and hairpins are easily accessible in our shop, or at your local drugstore.) Additionally, no scrunchies, coloured clips, head bands etc that are not part of a costume.
Make Up	No make up is necessary for stage rehearsal.
Attire: Grades 5 & below	Dancers in Grade 5 classes & below should come dressed in either their pink, black, or navy blue leotards. If they are in multiple classes, it is their ballet tights they should wear. If they are not in ballet, they should wear their beige tights.
Attire: Elementary, Grade 6, & above	Dancers in vocational levels can wear any colour of leotard. If they are in multiple classes, it is their ballet tights they should wear. If they are not in ballet, they should wear their beige tights. Please check tights for holes! Stage rehearsal will be recorded and photographed.
Footwear	Dancers should wear and bring any dance shoes they will need for their routine. Please check shoes for holes!
Jewelry, etc.	No jewelry allowed. Earrings, etc should all be removed (covered with bandaids if not able to be removed)
Accessories	If your child's dance has any prop or accessory, they should bring it to practice with. This includes hats, wigs, etc.
Masks	Dancers will wear a mask while waiting, but can remove them when performing. Please send your dancer with a mask that fits properly over their mouth and nose. If you wish for your child to keep their mask on for their dance, we ask that it be white.

Please note that there will be an outdoor festival happening outside beside the Shenkman theatre on the date of our stage rehearsal. This may cause road closure and parking challenges. We will send out more information as we receive it.

Students will be sitting IN the theatre at this rehearsal. The rehearsal drop off and pick up times are listed in the Stage Rehearsal Schedule. Dancers will be brought in in 45 minute blocks, and similarly will be walked out to a drop off/pick up point outside of the theatre. Dancers in multiple dances will remain in the theatre for the duration of their time blocks. Sorry, no parents are permitted in the Harold Shenkman Theatre for rehearsals (with the exception of parent volunteering for their junior class. Info to follow).

Masks will be worn at rehearsal unless the are performing. Please keep the noise level down. No food or drinks are permitted in the auditorium. Dancers eating in auditorium will be asked to leave. We are responsible for the state of that theatre, and would appreciate that you respect these rules.

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Watching The Show:

We hope that you enjoy our shows ! We will ask that audience members keep their masks on during the performance. This is a busy and important week for our dancers and we don't want anyone to have to miss out on any of these events. For this reason, we will do everything we can to reduce the spread.

If you are unable to remain for the entirety of the performance, please exit quickly during the blackouts so not to interrupt the performance for the rest of the audience. There is a finale at the end of each show. We hope that all performers will remain to come on stage for the finale. Dancers must keep masks on for the finale.

Please note that the doors to the auditorium will be opened for you between numbers **ONLY**. The doors will not be opened during a dance as this interferes with the videography and is distracting to those onstage. Absolutely no photography or filming during the performance.

Please note that seats are numbered. If your child wishes to watch any part of the performance after he/she is done, they will need a ticket. *Dancers ARE NOT allowed into the theatre in costume.*

Recital Day Change Rooms, Drop Off & Pick Up:

Your child's dressing room has been assigned. This info is on our website, and our recital admin will also have this list at the theatre. Dancers must be ready in **FULL** costume, hair and make-up in their dressing room 6 numbers before their dance. Guardians not watching the show may wait in the lobby, but not in any of our holding areas or change rooms. **NO** parents can be backstage during the show or rehearsal.

The dressing rooms are supervised during performances but the volunteers are **NOT** responsible for any lost items. All of your child's items should be labeled. We recommend that no valuables be brought to recital or rehearsals.

For parents of infants and pre-primary dancers: These young students will need to be signed in and out of their waiting area / change room. Parents, please do not stay once your child has been signed in. If your child is nervous, please let the dressing room supervisor know.

We apologize, but **NO** men can be allowed backstage or in changing areas as we have many girls requiring quick changes. If dad is dropping off a young dancer please let one of our volunteers know and someone will gladly meet them and bring the child to the appropriate dressing room.

Boys: There is a separate boys dressing room & male volunteer.

Pick Up: If you do not intend to watch the rest of our show, you may pick up your child after their individual dance. The teachers often like to speak with class immediately after their dance therefore you have a few minutes before the groups are back in their appropriate rooms. Again, please note that the doors to the auditorium will be opened for you between numbers **ONLY**. The doors will not be opened during a dance as this interferes with the videography and is distracting to those onstage, as well as parents watching their own children.

Please note, dancers of all ages do usually stay to the end of their show to participate in the finale.

Dressing Room Etiquette: Students must respect other students' space and property in the dressing rooms. The students will spend more time in the dressing rooms than onstage or in the auditorium, so please do your best to keep them organized and clean. Please also keep the noise level to a minimum.

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Hair, Make-up, & Costume Care:

Hair: All dancers must have their hair in a bun using a hairnet. **NO BANGS.** Dancers with short hair must pull their hair away from the face and slick it down. Please do not have your child's bun too high up on their head (view image). A dancer's bun should be centred at the back of the head. Barrettes, clips, or headbands in the same colour as their hair is requested. Please note that we do not supply hair supplies at the theatre and that this is your responsibility.



Make-up: We ask that all students wear make-up to avoid them looking washed out under the stage lighting. We recommend foundation that matches your child's skin tone, earth toned eyeshadows, rosy toned blush, and a very bright RED lipstick. Older students should wear mascara and eyeliner as well. Please use a no-smudge lipstick or pencil as dancers will wear their masks backstage.

Costume Care: Please ensure that each student's name be placed in his or her costumes, shoes, accessories, and tights. Place the costumes in a garment bag with your child's name on the outside. Pack accessories in a clear plastic bag with your child's name on the bag and on each item. Hats should be stored carefully to prevent damage. Please do not wash costumes in your washing machine; dry clean them only (after the recital). Check all tights for runs before tech week and note that our store is closed as of June 12th. It is not required, but we do recommend having a second pair of tights on hand just in case.



Quick Change

Please check the program to see if you have any quick changes. A quickchange is required if you have 3 numbers or less to change. You do not need to notify anyone prior to recital regarding quick changes- we have all of this information.

For those students who **DO** have a quick-change: Please have **ALL** costume items needed for your quick change to the Quick-Change volunteer staff prior to the start of the dress rehearsal/performance. If you would prefer to *not* use the quick change (senior students *only*) please make quick-change staff aware so that they are not looking for you between numbers.

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I can change my clothes
and shoes in 15 seconds.

For each quick change please prepare in a **CLEAR** costume bag labelled with the following information:

1. Dancer's name
2. Dance name and it's number in the show (state whether it is in the first half or second half)
3. Required tights and footwear
4. Hair accessory if applicable. (if style must be changed, please provide necessities in a ziploc bag such as a brush, hairpins, nets, spray, etc.)

ALL items, including both shoes must be labelled with your child's name.

Tip: If there is a change in tights, please have the child layer the tights on top of each other. It is easier to strip off a pair of tights than to try and put a pair on a sweaty child.

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Finale:

At the end of each performance, all participating dancers come on stage for a final bow with their teachers. We hope that all dancers are able to stay for the finale!



Pre-Planning Tips:

Have your child make a checklist prior to tech week of the items he/ she will need. Here are some handy tips of things to bring that will not be supplied by the school.

1. Costumes, headpieces, props
2. Tights (make sure you have checked with the teacher what colour they need, and whether they be full foot or footless)
3. Hair accessories such as hairpins, hairnets, a brush, gel, hairspray.
4. Make-up (it is unhygienic to share make-up and we do not recommend it. Please come prepared!)
5. Band-aids
6. Baby wipes/shout wipes (for stains, or wiping hands, or fixing make-up)
7. Baby powder (for itchy costumes!)
8. Needle and thread and safety pins (for emergency costume or shoe repair)
9. Clear nail polish (great for a quick fix in a small run in tights)
10. Pain relievers, breakable ice packs, Polysporin, toe tape, and any other medical supplies you could foresee needing. Ice packs will not be provided by the school. It is always good to be prepared.
11. Water (no juice, pop, or coloured beverages will be allowed backstage).
12. Non-messy NUT FREE snacks. (ex. pretzels, carrot sticks) Please be very careful around yours and other students' costumes. There are NO extra costumes.
13. Crayons and a colouring book for young ones to keep entertained (no markers as they stain).
Books, magazines for older dancers.
14. Nail polish remover (though it should all be off before stage rehearsal).
15. Masks. These will be worn backstage when not performing.

The End

We hope that this booklet has thoroughly explained everything you need to know about our upcoming Cumbrae recital. If you have any further questions, please feel free to ask your child's teacher or to contact the school.