

“Heartbeats” 2018 Recital **Stafford Centre: 10505 Cash Rd., Stafford, TX**

EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT DRESS REHEARSAL AND RECITAL **SHOW 1!**

Dress Rehearsal: Wednesday, May 23, 5:30-8:30 p.m. **Recital:** Saturday, May 26, 10:30-12:00 p.m.

1. Tickets & Seating:

- ONLINE Recital Tickets are going on sale on **SATURDAY, APRIL 28 AT 3:00 p.m.** You will be able to go online and select your seats and print out your tickets! Tickets are **RESERVED ONLY** so if you want your group to sit together, you need to pay for them all at once. If you go back later to purchase more tickets, any available seats will likely be in a different section. Remember check the main floor AND balcony for seats
- You will get a **one-time** use coupon code and link <http://24755recitalticketing.com/> . Enter the coupon code when you are checking out online. There will be **no refunds** tickets are purchase without applying the coupon code. Each family will get a coupon code that will allow them to get three free tickets PER student PER show in their family. So, if you have two children, your coupon code will be good for six free seats—whether at the same show or at a subsequent show. Maximum number of tickets for any family is 12.
- If you have a child that it is in more than one show, your coupon code will allow you to get three free seats to all shows he/she is in. Any additional seats are \$12 each, plus a nominal service fee of \$1.45. Children under the age of three can sit in your lap, if you wish, and you won't have to buy a seat for them.
- Any unsold tickets will be available for purchase on the day of recital, at the Stafford Centre for \$15 each.
- Doors will open at 9:45 a.m. for the show.
- Volunteers do not need to purchase a ticket. Children under 3yrs who sit on an adult's do not need a ticket

2. Before Leaving Your House:

- Dress your dancer in tights (if applicable) and costume, apply makeup (blush, eye-shadow, lipstick,) and style hair according to instructions from teacher. Remember, we have all accessories and they will be distributed at the Stafford Centre!
- Dancers may wear their dance shoes to the Stafford Center or they may put them on as soon as they arrive. If the dancer wears their street shoes into the Stafford Centre, they must take them off and put their dance shoes on before entering the dressing room and parents will need to hold onto the street shoes.
- Dancers in more than one dance will bring their other costume, shoes, and tights in a dress bag.
- We will provide water bottles only. If you feel that your dancer will need a snack, you will need to bring their own snack in **DISPOSABLE BAGS/PACKAGES**. We will not be responsible for water bottles or lunch kits etc.
- Your child will not be able to bring any non-disposable possessions/items into the dressing rooms so please don't send them with anything unless it is disposable! (Except their second costume if they are in another dance). We will have activities for them in the dressing room. Your child will be leaving directly from the stage after recital and will not be going back to the dressing room to get anything left there.

3. Arrival Times and Process:

A) Dress Rehearsal -Arrive at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 23

- When you arrive, park in front of the Stafford Centre and go up the steps to the right to enter the MAIN lobby.
- Have your child use the restroom before checking in!
- Have your child put on their dance shoes. Parents hold onto their street shoes.
- Check your child in at the check-in table. A volunteer will take your child into the auditorium to sit with his/her class to watch the dress rehearsal until it is his/her time to take the stage. Please note on the sign in sheet whether you will be watching from the balcony or leaving the building so that the class volunteer can call or text you when your child is ready to be picked up. Parents may go up the stairs to the balcony to watch if they want.

B) Recital -Arrive at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday May 26

- Park in front of the Stafford Center and enter through the set of glass doors to the LEFT of the main doors. You will see signs.
- Have your child use the restroom before checking in!
- Find an area away from the check-in table to have your child put on their dance shoes. Parents hold on to their street shoes.
- Remember, your child will not be allowed to bring any non-disposable items into the dressing room. If you want to send them with a paper sack with snacks or bottled water, you may, but we will not accept any items that can't be thrown away. No electronic devices, toys, plastic water bottles etc.
- Check in at the table in front of the dressing rooms. A volunteer will take your child to the dressing room. ONLY volunteer parents will be allowed in the dressing room. Please say good bye to your child at the check in table.

4. Behind the Scenes/Backstage at Recital:

- Rest assured, your child will be in good hands in the dressing room and backstage as our team of volunteers keep them occupied, focused, and comfortable. They will attach their accessories (if they have one) and make sure they look perfect before going on stage!
- After your child has performed, they will be taken back to the dressing room to wait for the Grand Finale. All dancers will walk across the stage and take a bow at the end of the show.

5. Dismissal Process:

A) Dress Rehearsal

- Students may leave dress rehearsal after they have performed their dance. All costume accessories will be removed from them and kept backstage. Please meet your child in the lobby and check out with a class volunteer. If you have left the building and not watched dress rehearsal from the balcony, the class volunteer will call you when it is time to pick up your child and check out.
- We are not going to follow the show order for dress rehearsal. All Baby Ballet, Pre Ballet, Ballet/Tap, Ballet/Jazz, Intro to Hip Hop, and Mommy & Me will go first. We want our youngest dancers to be refreshed and energized to take the stage.

B) Recital

- Students will be dismissed FROM THE STAGE after the Grand Finale at Recital.
- Students will sit with their classes on stage while the auditorium is cleared. ONLY ONE PARENT PER CHILD may stay in the auditorium to wait for their child's class to be announced for dismissal. When a class is announced, the parents will approach the stage and retrieve their child. Only one parent per child may come up to the stage.

6. Other Information:

- NO video taping or flash photography during the recital performance!
- BlueRay Video's are available to order for \$40 each with a second available for \$30. If you have a children in multiple shows, you get one free BlueRay Video with purchase of one. **(non-company members ONLY)**
- We aren't selling roses this year! Please be sure to bring a bouquet for your dancer!
- Videos and Nesossi pictures will be available for pick up within about a month.

Thank you for being part of Dance Du Coeur! We are looking forward to an amazing recital!