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LITTLE DANCER **SHOW 1** SPRING RECITAL 2023

PARENT HANDBOOK

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WHAT: Join the Dance Academy of Virginia for our Annual Spring Recital this June!

WHEN: JUNE 11TH Little Dancer Dress Rehearsal & Performances

WHERE: KENMORE MIDDLE SCHOOL 200 S. Carlin Springs Road, Arlington, Virginia 22204

WHO: All Dance Academy of Virginia friends and families

You can also visit our [website](#) for informaton.



Important Parking Information:

Parking at Kenmore Middle School is limited. Additional parking is available on the grass and side streets next to the main parking lot.

We recommend taking one car per family if possible.

To ensure smooth transitions between performance groups, we ask when leaving the parking lot to turn **RIGHT** onto Carlin Springs Road.

[Little Dancer SHOW 1 - Show Lineup](#)

DRESS REHEARSAL: Sunday, June 11, 2023 // Kenmore Middle School

9:00am ARRIVAL FOR ALL LITTLE DANCER SHOW 1 DANCERS

9:15-10:30am Dress Rehearsal

PERFORMANCE: Sunday, June 11, 2023 // Kenmore Middle School

10:30-11:30am Performance for ALL LITTLE DANCER SHOW 1 DANCERS

Review the list below to locate your dancer's class. Unsure which class they are in? You can log into your [Parent Portal](#) to view their class schedule.

Day/Time	Class	Teacher	Style
Saturday 9:45am	PreK Ballet	Ms. Grace	Ballet
Sunday 8:45am	PreK Ballet/Tap	Ms. Grace	Tap
Saturday 10:45am	Little Dancer	Ms. Grace	Ballet
Sunday 10:15am	PreK Ballet/Tap	Ms. Grace	Tap
Tuesday 3:30pm & Little Dancer Sunday 11am	Little Dancer	Ms. Katy & Ms. Danielle	Ballet
Saturday 9:30am	Kinder Ballet	Ms. Katy	Ballet
Saturday 11:15am	Kinder Ballet/Tap	Ms. Katy	Tap
Saturday 9:30am	Little Dancer	Ms. Sarah Beth	Ballet
Saturday 8:45am	PreK Ballet/Tap	Ms. Sarah Beth	Tap
Thursday 2:15pm	Little Dancer	Ms. Sarah Beth	Ballet
Thursday 4pm	PreK Ballet	Ms. Sarah Beth	Ballet
Sunday 10:15am	Little Dancer	Ms. Johanna	Ballet

Little Dancer SHOW 1 - Show Lineup (Continued)

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Day/Time	Class	Teacher	Style
Sunday 9:30am	Kinder Ballet	Ms. Johanna	Ballet
Saturday 10am	PreK Ballet/Jazz	Ms. Johanna	Jazz
Monday 4:15pm	PreK Ballet	Ms. Danielle	Ballet
Thursday 5:30pm	Kinder Ballet	Ms. Danielle	Ballet
Sunday 10am	Kinder Ballet/Jazz	Ms. Danielle	Jazz
Friday 4:45pm	Kinder Ballet/Tap	Ms. Jessie	Tap
Friday 3:30pm	Kinder/Ballet I	Ms. Katy	Ballet

Ticket Information:

Tickets to *all* Performances will be sold through TuTuTix.

The Dance Academy of Virginia will not be providing complimentary tickets to our Spring Recital this year.

Two ticket options will be available for purchase:

Child Ticket \$12: Children ages 3-9 years will need a child ticket for entry.

Children 2 years and under will be allowed to sit on their parents lap without a ticket.

Adult Ticket \$16: Children ages 10 years and up will need an adult ticket for entry.

the above prices **do not include TuTuTix processing fees**

Performers do not need a ticket for the show they are performing in. If your dancer would like to attend a show to support a sibling or friend and they are **not** performing in that show, they **will** need a ticket to be granted entry.

TICKET LIMITS:

Each Little Dancer family will be permitted **FOUR (4) tickets** to the show your dancer is performing in.

DAV will be holding **two** Little Dancer Performances this year. Please refer to the show lineup to find your dancer's class to ensure you are purchasing tickets for the correct show.

DAV cannot refund tickets that are purchased for the incorrect show.

If you purchased tickets to the wrong show, you will need to contact TuTuTix Directly

TuTuTix Contact Information: 855-222-2849

VIP Ticket Families: Each family that purchased a VIP ticket package will be permitted to **purchase** up to **FIVE (5) tickets** (*including your 2 complimentary tickets*) to the show your dancer is performing in. See page 7 for VIP Package details.

- VIP ticket packages are **per dancer** not per family.
- VIP ticket packages are for **one** show only, not each show your dancer is performing in.
 - If your dancer is performing in multiple shows and you only purchased **one** VIP ticket package you will only be permitted to purchase 5 tickets to **one** of the shows. If you want the **5** ticket limit for the additional show, you will need to purchase a second VIP ticket package for that dancer.

[Ticket Sale Dates:](#)

[VIP Ticket Package Holders:](#)

Tickets will go on sale for those who purchased a VIP Ticket Package: **March 27 – March 31st**. *After the 31st the Dance Academy of Virginia can no longer guarantee that you will be able to purchase your 5 tickets.*

VIP Ticket Package holders will receive an early access code and instructions via email so that you can access the VIP presale.

[Ticket Sales Open to the Public:](#)

Tickets will go on sale for all Dance Academy families on **Monday, April 10th** and will continue until sold out.

On **May 22nd** ticket limits will lift for all Little Dancer and Youth Shows, and families will have the opportunity to purchase additional tickets. *Tickets are first come, first serve.*

[VIP Ticket Package:](#)

- \$50
- Includes
 - VIP Ticket Presale - two weeks before sales open to public
 - 2 Complimentary tickets
 - Limited Edition Recital T-shirt
 - 5 ticket total limit

Interested in purchasing a VIP ticket package for your dancer? You can do so through this [LINK](#) until March 1, 2023.

Dress Rehearsal & Performance

Little Dancer Show 1 Important Information:

- Dancers will need to arrive at Kenmore Middle school *fully dressed in costume with hair and makeup done no later than 9am.*
- Dancers & Parents will be checked in with DAV staff and escorted back to their dressing room to wait with their class.
- Dancers will be supervised in dressing rooms by DAV Staff and Advanced Academy dancers. Parents will not be permitted to remain in the dressing rooms with their dancer once dress rehearsal begins.
- The dress rehearsal will begin promptly at **9:15am** and last until approximately **10:15am.**
- The doors to the auditorium will open to parents and guests at **10:15am** so that you will be able to locate your assigned seats for the performance.
- Little Dancer Show 1 will begin at **10:30am** and last until approximately **11:30am.**
- Once the performance has concluded, we ask that parents please come back to their dancer's assigned dressing room to check their dancer out. *Please make sure that you check your dancer out with the room monitor before leaving with your dancer.*
- If a dancer needs to leave before the conclusion of the performance please let the DAV staff know via email *no later than Friday, June 9th.*

What to Bring to Your Little Dancer's Dress Rehearsal & Performance:

- Dancer dressed in costume with their hair & makeup done
- Dance bag packed with:
 - Extra pair of tights in case of an accident
 - Extra hair ties
 - A hair brush
 - Extra hair pins
 - Extra hairspray/hair gel
 - Appropriate shoes for your dancer's performance.
 - Non-spill water bottle. *(Only water will be permitted in the dressing rooms. Juices and sodas will not be allowed.)*
 - Mess free, nut free snack. **We recommend pretzels.**

Please make sure all of your dancer's items are clearly labeled with their name. DAV is not responsible for any lost or missing items at Recital.

What **NOT** to bring to Your Little Dancer's Dress Rehearsal & Performance:

- Toys of any kind
- Electronics
- Liquids that are not water
- Messy snacks (anything that leaves a residue, that can stain, or requires refrigeration)

The Dance Academy will provide crayons and coloring sheets for dancers to use while waiting for their turn to go on stage.



Little Dancer Hair, Makeup, Shoes & Tights Guide

Hair:

- Hair for all Little Dancers should be pulled back in a slicked back bun that is secured with hair pins and a hairnet. The bun should sit centered in the middle of the back of the dancer's head.
 - If your dancer has short hair (above shoulder length) and you cannot put their hair in a bun, please secure your dancers hair back and out of their face with either a hairband or hair clips.
 - **Need some tips? Watch this [Ballet Bun Tutorial](#).**
- Be sure that the hair ties, hair pins, and hair net match your dancer's hair color. DAV does not recommend the use of bun molds such as the donut as these do not secure to the dancer's head properly and may fall out.
- Headpieces that were provided to each dancer in their costume bags should be attached to the right side of the dancer's bun using bobby pins that match the dancer's hair color.
- If your dancer's headpiece has a hairclip attached to it, please reinforce the headpiece with bobby pins.
- If your dancer's costume came with a crown attached to a hair comb, the headpiece should be secured to the top center of the dancer's head using the hair comb attached. Please reinforce the comb with bobby pins that match the dancer's hair color.

Makeup:

- We recommend enhancing your little dancer's features with blush, red lipstick, eyeshadow and mascara. The stage lights are bright and often wash out dancers faces while on stage. Adding color to their faces will help their smiles shine through the entire auditorium.
 - **Need some tips? Watch this [Little Dancer Makeup Tutorial](#).**

Shoes:

- **Ballet:**
 - Well-fitting **pink** ballet shoes that are free of stains, rips, or holes.
- **Jazz**
 - Well-fitting **tan** jazz shoes that are free of stains, rips, or holes.
- **Tap**
 - Well-fitting **tan** tap shoes that are free of stains, rips, or holes.



Tights:

- **Ballet:**
 - Clean well-fitting **pink** tights that are free of stains, rips, or holes.
- **Jazz & Tap:**
 - Clean well-fitting **tan** tights that are free of stains, rips, or holes.

Need an item for your dancer's performance? You can purchase the required tights & shoes through our [ONLINE STORE](#)

Costume Care Instructions:

- Costumes may have a distinct smell when you first get them. Feel free to hang them up outside of a garment bag to air them out for a week.
- After airing out, keep costumes hung up and covered with a garment bag and out of sight from younger dancers until ready to perform.
- Have a tutu? Hang it so it is flipped upside down when you are not wearing it to assure it will be beautiful and bouncy when you put it on.
- Keep accessories in a separate labeled baggie attached to hanger to avoid accessories getting lost and/or snagging on costumes.
- Please label all costumes, accessories, and shoes with student's name.
- Never wash your costume in a washing machine.
- We do not recommend washing your costume after use, especially costumes with specialty fabrics such as velvet, satin, sequins and jewels.
- If you get a stain on your costume, address the stain right away.
- Run that specific area under cold water.
- Spot treat the garment with any non-bleach laundry spot treatment.
- If you get a blood stain on your garment, you can use salt and water to gently rub out the stain.

Recital Day Extras:

Photo Area:

- We will have a photo area set up for families to take photos after the conclusion of your dancer's performance. We ask that you kindly take photos quickly so that the space can be shared with all of our dance families!

Flowers:

- Bouquets will be available for pre-order through the DAV website once tickets go on sale! We recommend placing your floral order in advance for easy pickup at your dancer's performance.
- Pre-sale will open when tickets go on sale and will close on **May 11, 2023**.

Limited Edition Recital T-shirts:

- Recital T-shirts will also be available for pre-order through the DAV website and will be available for pickup at the DAV lobby prior to recital weekend. We will have a limited amount available for purchase at the performance, and we recommend placing a pre-order.
- Pre-sale will open when tickets go on sale and will close on **May 5, 2023**.

Digital Video:

- DAV has hired a professional videographer to film all five Spring Recital performances (Little Dancer Show 1 & 2, Youth Performance 1 & 2, and the Academy Spring Concert). These videos will be provided to our families **free of charge** via a downloadable link after the performances. Please allow for 1-3 months of editing and processing before receiving your link.

Recital Pins:

- Don't forget to pick up your dancer's complimentary recital pin! Each year DAV designs and distributes a new collectable recital pin to dancers to commemorate their participation in our Spring Recital!

