



OCPAA 2017 Holiday Recital
Friday, December 15 and Saturday, December 16, 2017
Nechita Center for the Arts | Orange Lutheran High School

Information for Parents

The OCPAA Holiday Recital is a fun and family friendly showcase of our students and a great way to get in the holiday spirit. Participation in the recital is not mandatory. **However, once you commit to performing by purchasing a costume you are required to participate in BOTH PERFORMANCES FOR YOUR AGE GROUP AND STAY UNTIL THE END OF THE FINALE.** Please keep in mind that over the next few months most dance classes will be spent learning and rehearsing routines for the recital.

A. Recital Location:

Nechita Center for the Arts at Orange Lutheran High School
2222 N Santiago Blvd, Orange, CA 92867

B. Performance Dates and Times

- There are two shows per age group with four shows total.
- Participation in both shows for your age group is MANDATORY.
- IF YOU KNOW YOUR DANCER CANNOT ATTEND ALL OF THEIR REQUIRED SHOWS PLEASE DO NOT COMMIT TO PERFORMING IN THE RECITAL. It is unfair to the other dancers.
 - i. The students learn their dances in formations and having someone missing could confuse them onstage and we want everyone to have a positive experience
- Please note the list of classes participating in each show – some classes perform in all four and some compete in a different age level if the class age spans both shows.
- At this time there is not a dress rehearsal or picture day for the Holiday Recital planned. If this changes it will be in the weeks prior to the recital and notification will be given in advance.
- **Friday, December 15th**
 - ➔ SHOW #1 6:00 pm - Little Stars Age 5 & under ***note time changed from 5:45 pm**
- **Saturday, December 16th**
 - ➔ SHOW #2 11:00 am – Big Talent Age 6+ ***note time changed from 11:30 am**
 - ➔ SHOW #3 3:00 pm - Little Stars Age 5 & under
 - ➔ SHOW #4 6:30 pm – Big Talent Age 6+

C. Costumes

- Order forms for costumes (per class) are planned to be sent home (email and in class) starting October 2nd.
 - i. Order forms will indicate the shoes and tights and any other requirements for the costume for your class (not included)
- All costume orders must be received by October 20th – **NEW EXTENDED DEADLINE**
- Costumes placed after October 20th can not be guaranteed to arrive in time
- Sample sizes will be available in the studio for you to try on your child prior to the order size being placed – OCPAA is not responsible for costumes ordered in the wrong size.
- The costumes will be delivered to OCPAA. We will send an email when they are ready to be picked up from the front office. It is important that you get them ASAP to make sure they fit.
- Please fully label your child's costume components with their name and dance and keep all items together in one bag.
- Please see the front office for a shoes and tights order form if you need them. DUE 11/16
- **COSTUMES ARE NON REFUNDABLE**
- **Costume Pricing:**
 - i. \$65 each from Oct 1 – Oct 20
 - ii. \$95 each after Oct 20 with no guarantee that they will arrive in time
 - iii. Shoes and tights are not included

D. Tickets – Prices increase on 12/1

- Tickets will go on sale Monday, October 23rd at 7:00 pm
- A link to purchase tickets will be found on <http://www.ocpaadance.com/events/>
- The link will also be emailed and posted on our Facebook page
- Ticket prices start at \$15.00 each – prices increase by \$5 each as of 12/1
- Tickets will sell out soon so make sure you purchase early or you may risk not being able to watch the show
- Tickets are digital/print at home
- **OCPAA does not handle the ticketing service, it is outsourced, and therefore we cannot assist with issues or questions regarding the purchase or management of the tickets.**

E. Dressing Room Guidelines

- Dancers will be checked in and out by parents via an OCPAA staff member.
- Only Parent Volunteers that have signed an agreement will be allowed in the dressing rooms.
- It is highly recommended that you label all items sent with your child
- Please make sure your child knows their teacher's name and their dance name
- Dancers must remain in the dressing room at all times when not performing
- No men (fathers, brothers, uncles, etc.) are allowed in the dressing rooms.
- There will be a separate boys' dressing room
- Non-messy snacks may be sent with your child.
- You may check on your child in the dressing room at any time.
- It is recommended that you pack the following items for your child to have in the dressing room:
 - i. Water
 - ii. Blanket to sit on
 - iii. Fully labeled costume components
 - iv. Wet wipes/tissues
 - v. Non-messy activities – books, small toys, crayons/coloring books - no markers!
 - vi. Non-messy snacks

F. Recital Etiquette and Guidelines

- Arrive 30 minutes prior to the start of the recital in as much costume as possible.
- In the audience please be considerate of all the performers and remain throughout the duration of the recital. No one wants to perform to an empty theater.
- Absolutely no video or photos allowed during the performance. Violators will be asked to leave. A DVD of the performance will be available for purchase.
- Dancers must remain in the dressing room at all times when not performing
- Dancers are not allowed to sit in the audience during the recital.
- **All dancers are required to stay until the end – there will be a special guest they won't want to miss.**

G. Parent Volunteers

- The Volunteer Agreement Form is due by December 1.
- Parent Volunteers are what helps our recital happen! They remain with the children in the dressing room and ensure they are well looked after.
- There are limited spots available for parent volunteers. Please see the office for the guidelines and to sign up.
- Parent Volunteers are not allowed backstage and therefore will not be able to watch their child perform.
- Feel free to use a buddy system.
 - i. If parents feel more comfortable leaving their child with an adult friend instead of one of the volunteers please coordinate so that one parent is backstage watching the kids for a show and then switch off for the next show so each parent has a chance to watch their child perform.
 - ii. Remember each child will be performing in two shows.
- Videos will be available for purchase if parents are unable to view the performances.
- We will also need volunteers to help with check in and check out of the students.

Classes participating in 2017 Holiday Recital

- Please visit ocpaadance.com/events to see list of classes participating
- Voice classes will perform in the two BIG TALENT SHOWS ONLY
- Hip Hop 4-8 will perform in ONLY the Little Stars shows
- Tumbling, technique classes and the Tuesday Jazz/Contemporary combo classes DO NOT PARTICIPATE in recitals
- If you do not see your class listed please contact the office ASAP
- This is not the SHOW ORDER. The show order will be released shortly prior to the recital weekend for your reference.
- Classes participating in the recital and what shows they are performing in are SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITH NOTICE.
- If not enough students sign up to participate in the recital for each class then the class will be removed from the recital. Minimum 3 students required to perform. If this happens your costume fee will be refunded.