

THE GREATEST SHOW

7th Annual Finale | June 8-9, 2018
Dress Rehearsal June 6th | Picture Day TBD
Nechita Center for the Arts

Information for Parents

The OCPAA Finale is the ultimate showcase for our dancers and lets them demonstrate to friends and family how much they have learned and grown throughout the year. Performing in the Finale is an award for all their hard work. Participation in the Finale is not mandatory. However, once you commit to performing by purchasing a costume you are required to participate in PICTURE DAY, DRESS REHEARSAL and BOTH PERFORMANCES FOR YOUR AGE GROUP AND STAY UNTIL THE END OF THE FINALE. All dancers must participate in the closing number (wearing Finale tank top). Please keep in mind that over the next weeks most dance classes will be spent learning and rehearsing routines for the Finale. Make sure your email is up to date on the portal so you can be sure to receive the many and important communications about the Finale.

A. Finale Location:

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

B. Important Dates

- April 16th REGISTRATION & COSTUME ORDER FORMS DUE (costumes can not be guaranteed to arrive in time after this date)
- May 4th TICKETS GO ON SALE
- Wednesday, June 6th at Nechita Center DRESS REHEARSAL (details to follow)
- TBD PICTURE DAY (details to follow)

C. Performance Dates and Times

- NEW THIS YEAR We will have one "Little Star" Show, one "Big Talent" show and one COMBINED show
- Participation in both shows is MANDATORY for every dancer.
- Friday, June 8th
 - i. 5:00 PM Little Stars all age 5 and under dancers
- Saturday, June 9th
 - i. 11:00 AM Big Talent all age 6 and up dancers
 - ii. 4:30 PM Little Stars and Big Talent all dancers and all ages

D. Costumes and Costume Sheet

Each class has a costume chosen from a recital costume catalog. Please reference our costume sheet to note which vendor (**Curtain Call or Weismann**) your class is using so you can try on the appropriate sample leotard or measure for the best fit. The costumes are not custom made to fit your child so some small alterations may be required. Please note that the costumes shown on our costume sheet may not be available when we place the order and therefore the costume is subject to change without notice. We will make every effort to secure costumes that are appropriate for each dance. The costume sheet also lists which classes are participating in the Finale. If your class is not listed then it is not participating. Some classes may perform in all three shows. If this is the case you will be notified via email. Usually just the Voice classes perform in all shows. When costumes start to come in we will notify you via email so you may pick them up. Costume order forms will be sent via email.

- Please turn in your student's costume order form by the deadline of April 16th.
- Please fully label your child's costume components with their name and dance and keep all items together in one bag.

E. Finale T-Shirt and Participation Fee – REGISTER BY APRIL 16!

All students participating in the recital are required to purchase a t-shirt or tank top that will be worn in the closing act of each show. The students will be learning the dance moves in their class and also practice it at the dress rehearsal. This is fun ending performance that the students and audience love. Every participating student is required to pay a \$40 participation fee that includes the t-shirt/tank top, dress rehearsal fee (to rent the venue on 6/6) and studio participation fee.

To Register:

- 1. Log on to the parent portal: https://app.jackrabbitclass.com/jr3.0/ParentPortal/Dashboard?OrgID=524094
- 2. Click to view "Classes & Events"
- 3. Click "Find Events"
- 4. Click on "2018 7th Annual Summer Finale Register to Participate"
- 5. Click "Add to Cart" button
- 6. Select the student(s) to register and list their names and shirt sizes
- 7. Click "Add to Cart"
- 8. Click the shopping cart icon at the top of the page and then click enroll you will receive a confirmation email

F. SHOES/TIGHTS/HAIR

Please reference the costume sheet to note what shoes, tights and hairstyle will be required for your performance. This information is subject to change by the teacher and you will be notified ASAP with any new details. You may purchase shoes and tights at the following link and the items will be delivered direct to the studio. Please email regina.ocpaa@gmail.com with questions regarding shoes and tights orders.

https://studiofixboutique.com/collections/accessories

G. Tickets

- Tickets go on sale May 4th
- A link to purchase tickets will be emailed out at approximately 6:00 pm on May 4th
- The link will also be emailed and posted on our Facebook page
- Ticket prices are \$15.00 or \$18.00 each depending on seat location
- 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.

H. Pictures

PICTURE DAY IS MANDATORY

- i. Pictures chronicle our Finales throughout the years. Photos from this day may be used on our website, social media and on display in our studio.
- ii. Please be considerate of the other dancers in your routine by showing up to picture day.

PURCHASING PICTURES IS OPTIONAL

- A professional photography team will take the pictures of each dance and you may also select to have individual photos taken of your dancer as well as sibling photos.
- More information to follow

I. DVD - NEW THIS YEAR!

We are excited to announce that this year the company recording the performances will be offering digital downloads of the recital! Stream this year's recital wherever you are through your phone, computer, or other devices in beautiful high definition (1080p). Downloadable video files will be available for storing a digital copy on your own computer or device. **All families are required to purchase one recording of the recital at a \$30 fee due April 16th.** The DVD fee will be on the costume order forms. Only add it to one student per family costume order form. The link to the recordings will be emailed out shortly after the recital and you may share it with family and friends.

J. Dad's Dance – Participation Form Due 4/20/18.

Information was already sent out with the Dad's Dance register form. All OCPAA families are invited to participate in this fun performance. There will be Friday rehearsals and a t-shirt for the dads to wear. Please email the studio at

<u>tammy.ocpaa@gmail.com</u> or visit the office for more information and to sign up. Dad's Dance will perform in the shows their student's are participating in so plan on at least 2 performances.

K. Dress Rehearsal

- Wednesday, June 6th at Nechita Center for the Arts at Orange Lutheran High School
- DRESS REHEARSAL IS MANDATORY
- Schedule and further details will be provided prior to the rehearsal
- Full costume attire is required

L. 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 girls' dressing rooms. There will be separate dressing rooms for boys.
- No food allowed in the dressing rooms. Non-messy snacks may be eaten outside.
- 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. Labeled finale T-shirt
 - v. Bottoms and socks/shoes to wear with finale T-shirt for closing number
 - vi. Wet wipes/tissues
 - vii. Non-messy activities books, small toys, crayons/coloring books no markers!

M. Finale Etiquette and Guidelines

- Arrive 30 minutes prior to the start of the Finale in as much costume as possible.
- In the audience please be considerate of all the performers and remain throughout the duration of the Finale. No one wants to perform to an empty theater.
- Absolutely no video or photos allowed during the performance. Violators will be asked to leave.
- Dancers must remain in the dressing room at all times when not performing
- Dancers are not allowed to sit in the audience during the Finale.
- All dancers are required to stay until the end and perform in the closing number.
- Closing number t-shirts are mandatory

N. Parent Volunteers

- Parent Volunteers are what helps our Finale happen! They remain with the children in the dressing room and ensure they are well looked after.
- We will be providing an online sign up for all volunteers this year. Please stay tuned for details.
- Only assigned Parent Volunteers are allowed in the dressing rooms.
- 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.

O. Other Finale Details

- Please make sure your current email address is on file in the office, as important Finale information will be emailed out over the next few months.
- Flowers and back-stage-o-grams will be available for purchase during the Finale.