



# Recital Survival Kit

2025

*“Fairy Tales & Fantasy”*

## *Inspired to Move Dance Academy*

In this kit you will find the details needed for a wonderful recital experience for both you and your dancer. Please take a few moments to review the information and keep it posted at home for easy reference – you will need it over and over again during the next few months.

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## Shoes & Tights

- Uniformity on stage is essential. Make sure you have everything you need in the right style and/or color at least 2 weeks before picture day. **Recital Pictures will be Saturday, May 17.**
- Ballet dancers need to have tights in the color “theatrical pink.” Premiere total Stretch tights by Body Wrappers is the preferred tight for recital. These are available for purchase in studio if needed.
- If your jazz, tap musical theater, and/or lyrical dancer needs tan tights or fishnets, they will be included with their costume. You will not have to go out searching for the right style and/or color.
- Shoe styles will vary by class. There will be a label on each individual costume bag with shoe needs. Please check this as soon as your child’s costume comes home.
- Brand new shoes and tights are NOT required for recital. If your child already has the required tights and shoes, they may wear the ones they have.
- This information is provided to assist you with making necessary purchases in time for our picture day and recital. Please leave time for delivery if you make online purchases.



## Hair & Makeup

- All students in class levels Discover, Mini, Petite, and 1 need to wear their hair in a high ponytail, centered on the back of the head. This goes for picture day as well as show day. Please use hairspray to keep things in place.
- All students in class levels 2, 3, and 4 need to wear their hair in a low ponytail, centered on the back of the head. This goes for picture day as well as show day. Please use hairspray to keep things in place.
- Ponytails may be curled if your child desires.
- Headpieces need to be secured in place with bobby pins and should be worn on the right side of the head, unless otherwise advised.
- All students are encouraged to wear makeup to brighten their faces under the stage lighting. Mascara, blush and lipstick are all encouraged to help see facial features on stage.
- No fingernail polish or nails will be worn during the recital. Please make sure hands and feet are clean and polish free before arriving at the theater.
- Jewelry is not to be worn during recital with the exception of earrings. Earrings may be worn if they are clear, crystal studs. No necklaces, bracelets, watches, or dangling earrings will be permitted. This is a safety hazard.



## Costume Information

- Costume sales are FINAL.
- Costumes will RARELY fit your child perfectly as they are not custom made. Make sure your child tries their costume on as soon as it comes home. Check all sides, looking for any adjustments that need to be made. You may sew, Velcro, or safety pin pieces to secure them. In extreme cases, you may have to take them in to be altered.
- Inspired to Move **DOES NOT** alter costumes or make any adjustments to costumes. If necessary, this needs to be done by the dancer's family or whoever the dancer's family chooses to hire for the service.
- There will be a fee for any costume exchanges and in most cases, we will not have time to wait for an exchange to come in. We measure dancers before placing orders and do our best to ensure that costumes will fit, but sometimes this is out of our control. The exchange fee will vary by costume company, but is generally around \$30/costume. We will only try to exchange if **ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY**.
- Please label all costume pieces with your child's name. Lost pieces cannot be replaced.
- Please do not let your child use their costume for "dress up" until after the recital. Costumes need to be kept clean for picture and recital day.
- Please ensure that your costume is wrinkle free for picture day and recital day. Using a small steamer works very well. If you don't have a steamer, you may hang your costume upside down while the shower is running to help release wrinkles.
- Recital t-shirts will be worn over costumes for the finale at the end of the show or with black leggings if the dancer prefers. All dancers are in the finale. If your dancer did not order a recital t-shirt, make sure they have a plain, black t-shirt to wear during the finale.



## Ticket Sales

### Inspired to Move Ticket Policies:

- Tickets will be sold online or at the door the day of the recital. Tickets are purchased from the theater, not from Inspired to Move Dance Academy.
- The link to buy tickets will be emailed to all families in our studio and will also be posted online via our FB & IG page as soon as it is ready. More than likely, tickets will not be available to purchase before June.
- There is generally no limit on ticket sales, however we will update if that changes for any reason.
- All ticket sales are FINAL.
- Due to fire codes, everyone must have a ticket regardless of age.
- Ticket holders must present their tickets on the date of the show, or purchase a new seat. Do not forget your tickets at home.
- Please share the ticket link with your family and friends so they can purchase and print their own tickets.



## Rehearsals & Show Day

### Saturday, June 7:

- Dress Rehearsal at Inspired to Move
- 12pm – 2pm
- Costumes are required; no hair or makeup

### Friday, June 20:

- Dress Rehearsal is at the Minnaert Center at SPSCC. 2011 Mottman Road.
- Arrive by 3:00pm. Warm up is at 3:30pm.
- Dancers may enter through the back entrance.
- Rehearsal will start at 4:00pm, and you may leave when your dancer is finished.
- Costumes are required; no hair or makeup.
- **The theater will be closed to parents during rehearsal, this is theater policy. The Front Lobby will also be closed during this time. Please remain in the hallway and away from the dressing rooms so the dancers have privacy. You may also wait outside or in your vehicle until rehearsal is over.**

### Saturday, June 21:

- Recital is at the Minnaert Center at SPSCC. 2011 Mottman Road.
- Arrive by 11:00am for the 12:00pm show. Warm up is at 11:30.
- Arrive by 3:30pm for the 4:30pm show. Warm up is at 4:00.
- Hair & Makeup needs to be done before arrival.
- Dancers may enter through the back entrance.
- Doors will open for seating at 11:30am and 4:00pm.



# Rehearsal & Show Day

## What to Bring:

- All Costumes with Appropriate Shoes and Accessories
- Small Sewing Kit for Emergencies
- Safety Pins
- Water
- Non-Messy Snacks
- Blanket
- Quiet Activities
  - Coloring Books
  - Beads/Bracelet Kits
  - Stickers
  - Cards





