

**Desiree Catania Dance Center
Recital 2024 FAQ**

Rehearsal and Recital Location
Immaculata University, Alumnae Hall
1145 West King Road
Immaculata, PA 19345

Rehearsal Date: Friday, June 7th @ 5:00 - 9:15 pm

- **Group 1: Preschool, 5 & 6, Level I**
 - Arrival Time: 5:00 pm
 - Dismissal: 6:30 pm
- **Group 2: Levels II, III, IV, Adult, Pre-Pointe, Level I & II Pointe**
 - Arrival Time: 6:45 pm
 - Dismissal: 9:15 pm

Recital Date: Saturday, June 8th

- **Show 1 @ 12:00 pm, Student Arrival: 11:00 am**
- **Show 2 @ 6:00 pm, Student Arrival: 5:00 pm**

FAQ

Q. How do you determine which classes perform in which shows?

A. Great question! And we will not bore you with the painstaking hours that it takes to put the shows together. We make entertainment the priority so we ensure there is a mixture of all styles, ages, and levels in each show. The more classes that a student is in, the better chance they will be in more than one show.

Q. When will I know what show my student is performing in?

A. Show assignments will go out to all families in April... in plenty of time before recital ticket sales go live.

Q. What is the recital fee and what does it include?

A. A recital fee of \$50.00 will be due March 15th, 2024. The recital fee for each additional student in a family is \$25.00. This fee includes a professional recording of the recital performances and a recital t-shirt that displays the full studio cast list on the back.

Q. Do we need to purchase tickets for the recital?

A. Yes. Tickets will be on sale 1 month before the recital. Tickets will be electronically ordered using Dance Recital Ticketing. Tickets will be \$22.00 per ticket. No ticket purchase is needed for performing dancers as they will not be seated in the audience.

Q. If I am attending more than one recital show, do I have to purchase a ticket for each?

A. Yes. A ticket is required for entry to each show. This is because we pay for each seat to rent the facility for each show. For families that are attending more than 1 show, there is a discount that is assessed at check-out.

Q. Is the venue ADA-compliant/ wheelchair-accessible?

A. Yes. Entry to the auditorium is on the first floor. When you are looking at the front, campus side entry of Alumnae Hall, there is a ramp entry and parking on the left side.

Q. How long is the recital?

A. We anticipate this year's shows to be about 90 minutes which includes a 15-minute intermission.

Q. Is the rehearsal on Friday, June 7th mandatory?

A. Yes. It is the only practice opportunity that classes will have on the venue stage before their recital performance. The rehearsal allows our teachers to space classes appropriately, check over costumes, and give feedback on hair/makeup if needed to ensure everyone is performance-ready!

Q. What does, "Arrive Performance Ready" mean?

A. "Performance Ready" is the expectation for both **Rehearsal** and **Recital**. Students need to arrive in costume, stage hair, and makeup. Instructions about hair and costume accessories for each class/level will be sent out closer to show dates.

Q. If my student/s are in both shows on Saturday, can they leave in between?

A. Yes, they can. They will need to be checked out and checked back in for the 2nd show.

Q. Where do I drop my student off for the rehearsal and recital?

A. Drop-off and pick-up instructions will be provided as we get closer to June.

Q. What do the younger dancers do backstage when not dancing?

A. We have childcare-certified staff and teachers who are monitoring the dressing rooms and performer areas. We will have movies, games, and coloring sheets for the younger students as well.

Q. Can my dancer bring snacks?

A. Yes! Students are encouraged to bring snacks and plenty of water. Please refrain from "messy" snacks... i.e., anything that could stain/damage a costume.

Q. What can I be doing this spring to prepare for June?

A. Pay attention to all communication coming from the studio over these next few months. This is a great time to check dance shoes to make sure they are in good condition and

the appropriate size. Make sure you can access all classes in the Band App for updates and practice videos - please email the studio if you are having trouble accessing your student's class in Band.

Q. Any additional tips?

- A. *LABEL EVERYTHING! Dance bags, each shoe, tights, costumes, lunch bags, and water bottles. This helps us ensure we get it back to you if it is left behind after the show.*