

ART PARK DANCERS

present

“Aladdin”

Saturday, May 20th, 2017

Gaines Mason Auditorium

DPHS-North Campus

402 Ivy Street

Deer Park, TX 77536

Dear Parents & Dancers,

**Recital Packets will be sent home beginning March 20th.
This packet will include order forms & the following information
about our May recital:**

- 1. Dress Rehearsal & Performance times**
- 2. Recital Ticket details**
- 3. Back-stage Volunteer Mom duties**
- 4. Costumes, shoes, hair & make-up details**
- 5. Tights Order Form**
- 6. Trophy Order Form**
- 7. Recital T-Shirts Order Form**
- 8. Individual Recital Picture Order Form**
- 9. DVD Order Form**
- 10. Flower Order Form**

ART PARK DANCERS
2017 Dance Recital Packet
“Aladdin”

Dear Parents & Dancers,

This packet includes order forms & details about our May 20th Dance Recital. “Ordered” items in this packet are not required, but available for your convenience.

- 1. Dress Rehearsals & Performances.....details in packet**
- 2. Pre-paid Recital Ticket pick-upbegins Fri., May 5th, 6:30pm, Rm 4**
- 3. Back-stage Volunteer Moms.....sign-up in dance room begins Apr. 10th**
- 4. Costumes, shoes, hair & make-up.....details in packet**

- 5. Tights Order Form.....due Mon., April 10th**
- 6. Trophy Order Form.....due Mon., April 10th**
- 7. Recital T-Shirts Order Form.....due Mon., April 10th**

*Payment for items #5,6,& 7 should be made to the office (cash or credit card).
NOTE: Fundraiser credit may be used for tights, trophies, and recital T-shirts.
If you are using fundraiser credit please write "FUNDRAISER" in the space for
RECEIPT # on your order form. Your order form MUST be turned in with payment.*

*The following items are handled by entities other than Art Park Dancers
and payment methods will be shown on each order form.*

- 8. Recital Pictures picture day-Fri., May 12th 3:30-7pm
Sign-up for appt. beginning April 10th**
- 9. DVD Order Form..... order forms will be available in May**
- 10. Flower Order Form..... order forms will be available in May**

“Aladdin”

Saturday, May 20th

4:30pm & 7:30pm

Gaines Mason Auditorium

Deer Park High School-

Corner of 8th and Ivy Street

Deer Park, TX 77536

Tickets \$5-Reserved Seating

Dress Rehearsals & Performances—are held at Gaines Mason (address above)

1st Cast—Dress rehearsal begins at 8:30am

Performance begins at 4:30pm

2nd Cast—Dress rehearsal begins at 12:30pm

Performance begins at 7:30pm

IMPORTANT—NO FOOD OR DRINK IN THE AUDITORIUM OR DRESSING ROOMS

The auditorium doors will open 30 minutes before each performance to admit the audience. Please do not enter the auditorium until that time because our staff will be re-setting the stage & making sure the auditorium is clean & prepared for each group.

Your child’s cast assignment is shown on the class schedule that was distributed in the Fall. It is also on the bulletin board outside the dance room.

Parents should have dancers at the auditorium 30 minutes before rehearsals and performances. Dancers should arrive dressed in their first costume and taken directly to their assigned dressing area where our backstage volunteer moms will be waiting.

***NOTE: NO BOYS OR MEN ARE ALLOWED IN THE GIRL’S DRESSING AREA, EVER!**

Please advise your families and friends that this is not the place to visit a performer. Our dancers deserve privacy when changing costumes. Thanks for your cooperation.

IMPORTANT—Dancers must stay backstage with their class during the performance so they will be there when it is time to line up for their routine.

No dancer should ever be in the audience in costume. **NO EXCEPTIONS.**

Please ask if you have any questions.

Thanks, Alice Miller amiller@deerparktx.org

Recital Tickets—\$5

Instead of charging a Recital Fee for each student we sell tickets to our performances.

Tickets are \$5.00 each and will reserve a specific seat (lettered & numbered) for the performance.

Dancers, backstage moms, & backstage crew do not need to buy tickets as they are part of the performance.

Payment for recital tickets must be made to the business office or game room office prior to picking up tickets. Individuals must bring that receipt when selecting & picking up tickets. Recital tickets can be pre-paid in the business offices beginning April 10th.

IMPORTANT: Friday, May 5th 6:30-8pm will be the first day to select & pick up pre-paid tickets.

We cannot accept payment for recital tickets in the dance room.

REMINDER:

You must have your receipt to select & pick up tickets.

We are not limiting the number of tickets per person, so it's okay to pick up tickets for someone else as long as you present their receipt.

We do anticipate a line to pick up tickets on Friday, May 5th, but feel it will be more convenient than lining up for tickets the day of the performance. We will not run out of tickets so don't feel you have to line up on that Friday.

Recital tickets can be picked up in the dance room after May 5th either before or after each dance class, but you must bring the receipt showing you've pre-paid.

Tickets will also be available at recital (\$5.00)

1/2 hour before each performance.

Since our dress rehearsals and performances are all on the same day, we want to avoid having the 2nd cast audience at the auditorium while the 1st cast is still there.

Reserved seating will solve the need to arrive early for seating.

Dancers and audience should arrive 30 minutes before their performance.

This will give the 1st cast time to leave the building and clear parking areas.

We also need to be sure the dressing areas are clean after each rehearsal and performance so that costumes do not get mixed up or lost.

The auditorium doors will open 30 minutes before each performance.

Remember you do not have to rush because you will have a reserved seat.

Please ask if you have any additional questions about purchasing tickets.

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BACKSTAGE MOMS

We need at least 2 volunteer moms from each class to be "Backstage Moms" during our dress rehearsals and performances. These moms will stay with the children while they are in the dressing room area and take them to the restroom if needed.

NEW THIS YEAR-backstage moms are also responsible for making sure no one has food or drink in the dressing area. Food and trash left by dancers caused a huge problem last year. Ms. Alice, Ms. Niki, and several volunteers had to stay late to clean up food and trash. This resulted in an extra fee we had to pay for being in the building longer than specified in our contract. Please help us prevent this situation by not bringing food.

VERY IMPORTANT!!! Backstage moms do not dress or change the dancers. Each mom is responsible for her child. This will lessen the chances of losing costumes, shoes, and accessories. Remember to put your child's name in everything. The younger dance classes will have one dance in each ACT separated by a 15 minute intermission. This intermission is the time when moms should go backstage to change your child's costume. Please do not leave the auditorium during the performance to change your child's costume. Everyone will have time to change before we begin ACT II.

The instructors or studio assistants will come to the dressing room 5 dances before your class dances to take them to the stage for their entrance. At this time backstage moms can leave the dressing area and either watch the routine from the backstage sides or sit in the audience in the rows reserved for "Backstage Volunteers". These rows are in the front on the Right side of the auditorium if you are facing the stage. They are the closest rows to the side entrance so backstage volunteers can come and go without interfering with the audience. Backstage moms should return to the dressing area immediately after your class performs to meet them when they come offstage. This reserved "Backstage Volunteer" section is not intended for entire families, but only those individuals who are actually helping backstage.

Our "Backstage Moms" are very important to our performance. THANK-YOU in advance for volunteering to help. We want everyone's recital to be a good experience and the hardest part for our little ones is waiting backstage. To make your job easier we have a few suggestions for all parents ...

- 1. Try to get the children to go to the bathroom before the show or during intermission.**
- 2. Children can bring coloring books & crayons (NOT MARKERS), movies, games, etc.**
- 3. Do not send snacks or drinks because of all the costumes in the dressing area.
(There is a water fountain beside the restrooms, if needed)
FOOD IS NOT ALLOWED IN THE DRESSING ROOMS!!!**
- 4. It is a good idea for 1 or 2 people in each class to bring a sleeping bag to sit on.**
- 5. Remind the little ones to wait for Intermission & Mom before changing costumes.**
- 6. Put your child's name on everything they bring to the dressing area.**

Costumes —

Be sure to put your child's name in all of costumes and accessories to avoid losing items between dress rehearsals and performances.

Please check your costumes for any details that need finishing such as laces, adjusting straps, gluing barrettes on hair accessories, etc.

Tights—

The description of tights or socks to be worn with each costume is written on the Costume Picture in the dance room. A specific color, style or brand is required so that Dancers in each class will match.. Dance tights are available at several stores locally (Ann's Costumes & Dancewear on Center St., Backstage Dancewear on Old Galveston, Starmaker Dancewear in Friendswood) or you can go online & order from a Discount Company. Our studio will be also placing an order through Discount Dance Supply. Please see the attached Tights order form if interested.

*Remember ...the deadline to order tights through our studio is **Monday, April 10th**.*

Shoes—

Descriptions of shoes to be worn are also written on the costume pictures in the dance room. If you have questions please do not hesitate to ask your Instructor.

We also have a box of shoes that have been donated in case your child has recently outgrown theirs. Everyone please check now to be sure you have your dance shoes with your name in them.

Ballet shoes to be worn in recital should be pink for Girls & black for Boys.

Tap shoes to be worn in recital should be black for everyone.

IMPORTANT --Black elastic is required on all little girls tap shoes instead of ties.

Jazz or Hip Hop or Lyrical shoes—

Colors/styles vary depending on your costume, so check your costume picture or ask your instructor.

Hair—

We do not require buns for our younger dancers, so you may choose the best hairstyle for your child. Just be sure hair is away from the face.

Hats/Headbands—

If your child's costume has a hat/headband you should choose a hairstyle that works with & without the hat/headband. Be sure to bring hair pins to secure these.

Make-up—

The bright stage lights tend to wash out the faces of dancers onstage.

Younger dancers should wear eye shadow, blush, and lipstick to dress rehearsals and the performances. Choose the colors that are best for your child's complexion.

Mascara is optional for dancers under 8.

RECITAL PICTURES—

Penland Photography will again be taking individual pictures of dancers in costume on

Friday, May 12th from

3:30-7:00pm

in Room #4 of the Deer Park Community Center.

There will be a "Sign-up" sheet on a clipboard in the dance room beginning Monday, April 10th to schedule appointments.

This photo session is for dance students only.

Payment is due on picture day and checks should be made payable to Penland Photography. A phone number is on the "Order" form if you have questions.

FRESH FLOWERS

Fresh flowers will be available for purchase at our dance recital. Pre-orders are suggested. The vendor will have some extra flowers for sale the day of recital, but it will be on a first come basis.

Dance Recital Trophies—Price \$15.00/each

These are sold as a fundraiser to help cover expenses for our Dance Recital. Parents are not required to buy trophies. This year's trophy will be 14" tall with a blue base and a design on top.

The trophy base will include 3 lines of engraving as follows—

**Art Park Dancers
"Aladdin"
Child's Name**

The deadline to order recital trophies is Monday, April 10th.

Please pay for the trophy in the business office then return the bottom portion of this form along with the receipt # as proof of payment.

Trophies ordered may be picked up in Room #4 the week of recital. Please be discreet when picking up trophies...some are meant to be a surprise and not everyone orders one so we'd like to avoid any hurt feelings. The trophies are usually given to the dancer by parents before or after their performance. We do not present these trophies to dancers onstage.

Please turn in this bottom portion no later than Monday, April 10th.

Dancer's name _____

Trophy quantity _____

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Dancer's name _____

Trophy quantity _____

RECEIPT # _____

Discount Dance Tights—

Dear Parents and Dancers,

We will be placing an order with Discount Dance Supply for tights to be worn in Recital. You do not have to order tights through the studio, but if you choose to please return the form below to your instructor by **MONDAY, APRIL 10th**. The required type of tights or socks is written on the picture of your child's costume in the dance room. Please fill in the blanks with child's name, item #, size, color, & quantity. *The prices shown include shipping/handling charges & we are tax exempt.*

Bodywrappers tights are available locally—Ann's Dancewear, Backstage, & Starmaker.

NOTE: If you can't find the Bodywrapper brand Capezio light suntan is very close in color.

CHILD SIZES--

Item #(C81) Bodywrappers Convertible Tights –CHILD (S/M, M/L) price \$9.00
(specify color: Jazzy Suntan, Theatrical Pink, or Black)

Item #(BC32) Bodywrappers Stirrup Tights-CHILD (S/M, M/L) price \$11.00

ADULT SIZES--

Item#(A31) Bodywrappers Convertible Tights -- ADULT (S/M, L/XL) price \$13.50
(specify color Theatrical Pink, Jazzy Suntan, or Black)

Item#(A32) Bodywrappers Stirrup Tights—ADULT (S/M, L/XL) price \$13.00
(Jazzy Tan)

Item #T5700 Theatricals Black Fishnet tights-ADULT (S/M, L,XL) price \$7.00

Please turn the bottom portion of this note by **MONDAY, APRIL 10TH**

Dancer's name _____ Class Day/Time _____

Item Number _____ Color _____ Size _____ Quantity _____

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RECEIPT # _____

**REMEMBER—IF YOUR USING EXTRA COSTUME FUNDRAISER CREDIT FOR TIGHTS,
PLEASE WRITE FUNDRAISER IN THE SPACE FOR RECEIPT#. THANKS.**

Art Park Dancers-- Recital T-Shirts

This year's recital T-shirts will be printed as follows:
shirt front--Art Park Dancers presents "Aladdin" May 20th 2017
shirt back—Cast list of dancers in each performance.
All T-shirts will be blue with white lettering

Prices are as follows--

Child size-- \$18.00 each

Adult sizes--\$20.00 each

The deadline to order Recital T-Shirts is **Monday, April 10th** .
Recital T-shirts are not required, but if you would like to order a shirt please pay for the shirt in the business office, then return the form below by the deadline... **Monday, April 10th** .
The shirts that you order can be picked up in Room #4 the week before our dance recital.

All Child T-Shirt Sizes (2-4) (6-8) (10-12) (14-16)	\$18.00 each
All Adult T-Shirt Sizes Small Medium Large X-Large, XXL, XXXL	\$20.00 each

Please return this bottom portion by **Monday, April 10th**.

Child's Name _____

Child's Class Day/Time _____

Shirt Size _____	Quantity _____

RECEIPT # _____

Dance Recital DVD's

Our dance recital will be videotaped by Video Imaging. The prices for DVD's will be shown on the order forms.

Parents are welcome to video and take pictures at the Dress Rehearsal only. There is not reserved seating at the Dress Rehearsal so you are free to get close and take as many pictures/videos as you like...at the Dress Rehearsal only.

However...

DO NOT bring video equipment into the auditorium during the actual performance...and

DO NOT leave your seat during the performance to take a picture and

PLEASE, PLEASE do not walk up to the stage during the performance to take your child's picture.

It is dangerous and also distracting to the dancers onstage to see people standing or moving around in the audience.

SPECIAL NOTE: Backstage Moms—

Please wait until a routine is finished before moving anywhere. Thank-you everyone for your co-operation.