



Recital 2021: June 7-13

Important Dates & Information

Dear DCE families,

The Dance Center Evanston Recital is the culminating event of the year for our students, faculty, and staff. Like so much else in this unique time, this year's recital has been reinvented and reimagined. While it may not look the same as in the past, we are thrilled to be able to offer this opportunity to showcase everything our dancers have accomplished, with celebration and safety going hand in hand.

More details will be provided later this session, but here is some preliminary information to prepare for Recital 2021:

- **Recital Week will take place [Monday, June 7-Sunday, June 13](#) at the *Studio5 Theater* located within **Dance Center Evanston**.** In lieu of our traditional structure of rehearsals during the week and performances over the weekend, each class will instead be allotted 20 minutes in the Studio5 Theater to stage, rehearse, run, and perform their dance. Classes divided into GOLD and SILVER sections will *each* have their own time period, meaning 20 minutes for the GOLD dancers and 20 minutes for the SILVER dancers. These 20-minute periods will take place between 4-9:30pm Monday-Friday and 9am-9pm Saturday and Sunday. ***Please hold all of these times in your calendar***, as performances will be scheduled throughout the week and not necessarily when your class normally meets.
- Each 20-minute segment will be live streamed and each performance will be recorded. Depending on COVID-19 restrictions at the time, we can potentially have a limited number of family members in the audience adhering to strict safety measures.
- **Virtual Only students will have the opportunity to dance their recital pieces virtually**--more details coming soon. If you are currently registered as Virtual Only but would like to participate in the live in-person recital for that class, you will need to switch into one of the in-person or GOLD/SILVER classes by the registration deadline of [Monday, February 15](#) if there is space available. Please contact the office for more information and to make arrangements.
- **Registration in Session 2/Spring Session assumes recital participation, but it is not required. Please let us know by [Monday, March 15](#) if you will *not* be performing in Recital.** Teachers will be working on recital dances in the last 10-15 minutes of class. If your dancer chooses not to participate in the recital, they will still learn the choreography and fully participate in each class.
- **Costumes will be ordered through the DCE office as in previous years.** Each dancer will wear their dress code attire as a base plus a costume piece or pieces that will be purchased ahead of Recital. Costumes will be economical and invoices will be emailed to you in mid-March.
- **Regular class attendance is very important for dancers' confidence and safety leading up to Recital.** Please make every effort to attend class when it is safe to do so.
- **The safety of our community is of the utmost priority.** Throughout Recital Week, all COVID-19 policies and procedures will be in place, including mask wearing and social distancing. We will operate under the guidelines from the Illinois Department of Public Health to ensure a safe experience for all.

Schedules, invoices, and other more detailed information will be coming out soon. Our primary method of sharing information is via email, so please make sure your email address on file is up-to-date and you are receiving our communications.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to us at 847-328-6683 or dce@dancecenterevanston.com. We're looking forward to a beautiful performance experience for all in June!

Sincerely,

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