

DRESS REHEARSAL

Tuesday, May 31, 2011

- The Dress Rehearsal will be on **Tuesday, May 31, 2011** at the **Rialto Theatre**, 102 North Chicago Street (corner of Chicago & Van Buren) in Joliet. Various directions to the Rialto are attached. Parking is limited on the street but there are parking garages on Scott Street (where the backstage entrance is located), Ottawa St. Parking Deck, Harris Bank Parking lot (during non-business hours). Decks are located at Clinton and Scott Streets and Ottawa Street between Clinton and Jefferson. Be aware that bank parking lot parking is prohibited.
- Students **MUST** enter from the Backstage Door on **Scott Street** (Scott Street is the **backside** of the Rialto), which is one block before Chicago Street. The main doors and the lobby will be locked. Students and parents **MUST** enter from the backstage door on Scott Street for the dress rehearsal. Parking is available in several parking decks around the theatre. You are not to park in the bank parking lots nor in the parking area behind the stage door. You will be ticketed or towed or both.
- Please plan to be at the Rialto dressed and ready to dance at your appropriate time per the schedule on the reverse side. This schedule has been organized so that there will be a minimum of waiting time wherever possible. You should arrive no less than 15 minutes prior to your scheduled rehearsal time.
- The **REHEARSAL SCHEDULE** is on the reverse side of this sheet. When you arrive, you are to sit with your dance captain in the theater. **All Preschool classes Ballet Intro I & II, Kindergarten Tap & Ballet classes, 1st grade, 1st / 2nd grade, 2nd / 3rd & 3rd / 4th grade level classes in the 11am & 3pm show**, will be shown to the seats that they will be in for the entire show. These seats will be located on the Right Side (as you face the stage). Because we will be using the same seats in both shows, those dancers that are in the 3pm show are to find where their row is and row supervisor. Unless that row is empty, you are to sit in the middle section of the theater until that row is available.
- Most of the 4th grade level classes through all 6th grade level classes, when arriving at the Rialto need to see the dressing room areas located in the **lower level** of the Rialto. You will use these areas for **costume changes at rehearsal** and you will be located in these areas for the show. Signs will be up in these areas advising you where you will be specifically.
- All 7th graders through teen/adult students will be located in dressing rooms located in the Wings of Stage Right and Stage Left. There are 3 floors of dressing rooms. Those students who only have one number will use the 3rd floor dressing room. Those students who are in **more than 4** dance numbers should look to use dressing rooms located on the 1st floor. There will be a "quick-change" area set up in the far upstage right corner. **This is for those students who will have less than two numbers in between their next number to make a costume change.**
- If you are in more than one number, it most important that you know what costume to wear first and to make sure you bring all other costumes, shoes, tights, leotards, etc. with you. So, check the order of the rehearsal on the reverse side. Also note that we are NOT running the rehearsal in order of the shows. For your reference, we have listed the SHOWTIME and NUMBER (#) the class will be in on show day.
- Parents **ONLY** are welcome to stay and watch the rehearsal. Absolutely No Guests at the Dress Rehearsal. They will be asked to leave. **Parents are permitted to take Video and/or flash pictures during their student's dance number only. VIDEO CAMERAS & FLASH CAMERAS ARE NOT ALLOWED AT THE SHOW. ON SHOW DAY, YOU WILL BE TOLD BY THE USHERS TO LEAVE THE THEATER IF YOU HAVE YOUR CAMERA(S).**
- Please make sure your name is in everything! This means headpieces, sleeves, tights (if your are changing them), all costumes, and all shoes. This is particularly important if you are changing costumes backstage. We suggest you bring your additional costumes and accessories in a GARMENT BAG with your name printed **large and clear** on it and a label that indicates -What show; what class (ballet,tap, etc), and what number it's in. Mr. Fagan has Garment Tags available for you to use. All costumes with shoulder straps should have their straps sewn to the back of their costumes, not tied around the neck.
- If you are involved in only one number in the show, we hope to have you in and out within a half hour or less. We will do our best to follow this schedule as closely as possible, but know in order to do so, you must arrive 15 to 30 minutes **before** your scheduled rehearsal time and be ready to go.

WE WILL NOT WAIT FOR YOU!