



Showcase Packet #3

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Dress Rehearsal

There will be no formal Dress Rehearsal this year. Dancers will have early arrival times to run their choreography a few times before the Showcase begins. See page 2 for drop off times.

Showcase Day

Saturday, June 6th @ 1:30pm
John & Nancy Hughes Theater @ The Gorton Center
400 E Illinois Rd Lake Forest, IL
Theater doors open at 1:00pm.

Tickets

Tickets will be available for purchase online through Tutu Tix beginning Monday, May 4th at 4:00pm. All sales are final. There is a limit of 7 tickets per family. Tickets are to be purchased using the link below: <https://www.etix.com/ticket/p/67008288/step-2-this-dance-studio10th-anniversary>
Click on buy tickets, click on reserved box and choose your seats. Kids 3 and under are free. If there are any unsold tickets as of June 1st an email will be sent and additional tickets can be purchased.

Frequently Asked Questions – Showcase Day

Where do I drop off my dancer? The Showcase is held at the John & Nancy Hughes Theater @ the Gorton Center 400 E Illinois Rd Lake Forest, IL. You will park in the lot and enter through the Theater Entrance by the portico on the south side of the building. The check-in table will be next to the Theater door. A volunteer will escort your dancer to the Card Room. NO ONE EXCEPT DANCERS AND VOLUNTEERS WILL BE ALLOWED IN THE THEATER UNTIL 1:00pm. Make sure your dancer has all they will need. See the bottom of page for dancer checklist.

What time do I drop off my dancer? See the schedule below.

We cannot wait for any dancer as we have a strict schedule we need to follow.

11:00 Ballet IV, Pointe, Contemporary II, Acro Level 4 and Up
(Above dancers **do not** need to arrive in their costume)

11:30 Adult Tap W, Adult Jazz, Adult Ballet, Jr Jazz/Tap, Sr Tap
(Above dancers **do not** need to arrive in their costume)

12:00 Ballet II, Adult Tap M, Hip Hop I

12:20 Ballet I, Acro Pre-Level 3

12:30 Pre Ballet

*If your dancer is performing in a solo or a duo/trio or a competition dancer I have an open time slot for them to run their numbers. Your dancer will already be at the theater so follow the arrival times above for their technique class.

What should my dancer wear? Dancers should arrive in full hair, makeup, and costume. Still have your dancer bring their makeup and hair supplies as they may need touchups. See Showcase Packet #2 for hair and makeup requirements. If your dancer is in multiple numbers, you will be sent an email regarding which dance they are performing in first. There will be racks for dancers to hang up their costumes. A volunteer will be backstage to help dancers change costumes and hairstyles if needed.

Where do I pick up my dancer once the Showcase is over? Once the Showcase is over, your dancer will be escorted back to the Card Room where a parent will meet their dancer to check them out, signs will be posted guiding you to the Card Room.

Showcase Checklist

1. Costume/s
2. Tights (if needed)
3. Dance shoes
4. Hairbrush/comb,
5. Hairspray & or hair gel
6. Extra hair elastics and hair nets
7. Makeup for touch ups

Showcase Etiquette

Audience: Here are a few etiquette guidelines to help you and your fellow audience members enjoy the show.

Silence or Turn Off Your Devices: Please turn off or silent cell phones, tablets and any other electronic devices prior to the performance starting. You should never speak, text or play games on your electronic devices during the performance. It is distracting to the dancers and to other audience members.

No Entrances/Exits: The Showcase is designed to flow quickly between dances. Please do not enter or exit unless it is an emergency. If you have a fussy child, please wait until the dance is finished or exit as quietly as possible in order to minimize the disruption to your fellow audience members.

No Video or Pictures: Photography and videography are not allowed during the Showcase performance. We do not want images of people's phones blocking other guests' views. The Showcase will be professionally recorded. DVD and digital downloads of the Showcase are available for purchase. See page 3 for more information.

Backstage Access: No one is allowed backstage during the Showcase except for dancers and volunteers. Any extra bodies will cause disruptions in the flow of the Showcase. **Please contact Ms. Kim kim@step2.dance to be a backstage volunteer!**

Enjoy the Showcase: This one is the most important.... enjoy the performances. The dancers have worked hard on their choreography, and they love hearing the applause!

Showcase DVD/Digital Download Order

Cherish your dancer's Showcase memories with a DVD or digital download of the Showcase! Here is the link to the sales page: <https://www.dudeoyster.com/order-form-step-2-this-dance-showcase-2026> You can also order using the QR code below. Any questions regarding Showcase video you can contact Dan Heuser dan@dudeoyster.com



Summer Technique Classes & Intensive

Summer Technique classes: A great way for your dancer to keep up with their technique is to take summer classes. See the schedule and register online.

Summer Intensive: Full days of dancing! Your dancer will spend their summer immersed in dance. They'll be dancing A LOT, learning as much as they can and challenging themselves learning different genres of dance: Acro, Ballet, Jazz, Contemporary, Hip Hop, along with Leaps, Jumps, and Turns and conditioning and flexibility classes. Your dancer can attend as many weeks as they would like, they don't have to commit to a whole session. You can view the schedule and register online.

Step 2 This Competition Team

Dance competitions can be a rewarding experience. Your dancer will have more performance opportunities to showcase their talent along with building confidence and self-discipline. These dancers compete in 3 competitions. We strive to make competitive dance fun, rewarding, challenging, exciting and memorable. 2027 competition team info will be released in July.