

# ***Dance for Joy Spring Recital 2009***

## ***Mommy & Me, First Steps & Pre-Ballet***

### ***Dress Rehearsal & Performance Information***

***Dress Rehearsal and Performances at Yorktown Stage, 74 Commerce Street, Yorktown Heights NY***

#### ***Carnival of the Animals:***

**All Mommy & Me, First Steps and Pre-Ballet Classes (Show A or Show B)**

***Show A: Saturday May 16 at 12:00 p.m. (will last about 45 minutes)***

***Dress Rehearsal for Show A: THURSDAY, May 14 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.***  
***Dancers arrive for Show A: SATURDAY, May 16 11:40 a.m.***

***Show B: Sunday May 17 at 1:00 p.m. (will last about 45 minutes)***

***Dress Rehearsal for Show B: FRIDAY, May 15 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.***  
***Dancers arrive for Show B: SUNDAY, May 17 12:40 p.m.***

#### **PLEASE NOTE:**

- Students are welcome to attend the Dress Rehearsals for **Cinderella** (older students' ballet) on Wednesday, May 13, Thursday, May 14, or Friday, May 15 at 6:00. Please realize these rehearsals may start and stop.
- Regular classes will be held for Mommy & Me, First Steps and Pre-Ballet the week of May 4 to 8, but will NOT be held during the week of **May 11-15**
- Our scheduled year ends with the performance of **Spring Recital 2009**.
- **Registrations for next fall may be left at the studio by May 9, may be mailed, dropped off at sign-in table at Yorktown Stage, or brought to the studio on the following REGISTRATION DAYS: Wed., May 27 and Thurs., May 28 from 4:00-7:00pm.**

#### **What to do at Home:**

- Your child must arrive dressed in costume with makeup on, and hair should be neatly up in a bun.
- Make sure your child has her ballet slippers, with the elastics securely attached.
- **MAKE SURE YOUR CHILD VISITS THE BATHROOM BEFORE YOU LEAVE! THERE IS LITTLE TIME LATER!**

#### **What to do at Yorktown Stage:**

- Please plan to arrive at the MAIN ENTRANCE of Yorktown Stage on time! Arriving too early or too late makes it more difficult to keep things running smoothly, and puts unnecessary stress on your child.
- When you get to the theater lobby, you will need to help your child put on their ballet slippers. Please keep your child's street shoes until after they have been signed out at the end of rehearsal or performance. Please also have your child use the bathroom in the lobby!
- **ALL DANCERS SHOULD GO TO THE SIGN-IN TABLE IN THE THEATER LOBBY TO BE SIGNED IN BY A PARENT AS SOON AS THEY HAVE THEIR BALLET SLIPPERS ON.**
- No food or drinks of any kind are allowed in the theater. NO EXCEPTIONS!
- Parents are welcome to use videos and cameras at the Dress Rehearsal or Performance **but PLEASE be considerate of those around you by remaining quiet and discreet in the auditorium.** A calm, peaceful atmosphere is needed for a successful dress rehearsal.

#### **Rehearsal Day:**

*Please remember that the main purpose of the Dress Rehearsal is to help your child feel more comfortable on stage. In order to accomplish this, we ask you to follow the instructions listed below. Thank you all very much for your continued support and cooperation!*

- After signing in, parents should bring their child to the section of the auditorium reserved for their class. Student assistants will be available to wait with Mommy & Me, First Steps and Pre-Ballet classes.
- Please have your child sit in the row with their group at that time. You may then sit in the row behind your dancer if you would like to. However, if you have other adults or children with you, we request that you leave and pick your child up when rehearsal is over.
- **ALL DANCERS MUST BE SIGNED OUT BY A PARENT/GUARDIAN AT THE END OF REHEARSAL.**

#### **Performance Day:**

- After signing in, children will be taken down the hall to line up with their class. Parents should then be seated in their RESERVED SEATS. *Perfect Attendance* medals should be picked up at the sign-in table for parents to award after the performance.
- It helps to make your "goodbyes" and "good-lucks" to your child calm and low key. Remember to take all your child's belongings with you, and please be assured that we will find you if there is a problem of any kind.
- The performances will run approximately 45 minutes each. **Medals and star stickers will be awarded to everyone.**
- Children will be lined up in the hall after they perform. **One** parent or other family member should line up at the sign-in table to pick up their dancer. All other family and friends should wait outside the double doors to the right as you exit the theater. Dancer and parent will exit there.
- If this is your first recital, you might appreciate knowing that it is traditional to give flowers to dancers after the performance.

**Directions to Yorktown Stage from Dance for Joy are available at the desk if you need them..**