

Welcome to Showcase 2009

(Please read all the information below as it is all very important)

In preparation for our annual Showcase on May 31, 2009, we wish to outline some information that you will find useful and necessary as we begin to formulate and assemble this production. Showcase is always a spectacular event, and a very important milestone in the lives of the children. We try to make the show exciting, fun, and as problem free as possible. Included below is some information that will facilitate the occasion both for parents who have been through the experience before, as well as for those of you who are new to the school. You will have noticed that the teachers have already started to choreograph the dance routines for each class, and have begun measuring and coordinating costumes for all the children. The combination of high energy, great costumes, professional lighting effects, good music, and excellent routines makes for a wonderfully entertaining dance show at the beautiful and prestigious Toronto Centre for the Arts.

Costumes

To compliment the children's dance numbers, we costume accordingly. The ceiling price for a costume is \$60.00 (your child's costume may range anywhere from \$5.00 to \$60.00). It may happen that the teacher cannot avoid going over the limit due to size differences and taxes, but please bear in mind that this very rarely happens. Each teacher is responsible for making or purchasing your child's costume. In some cases you will be asked to provide a portion of the costume and in all cases you will be required to provide the proper **dance shoes**. Please remember that dance costumes are made to be form fitting and not baggy or loose. **Balance owing on costumes must be paid within two weeks of receiving your costume sheet.** All payments are to be **paid directly to the teacher**; we cannot accept cheques made out to Roland & Romaine. For security reasons we ask that you not pay in cash, **CHEQUES ONLY** please.

Dress Rehearsal

Dress rehearsal will take place **at the studio** on the same day as your child's regular classes. Some classes will be asked to come earlier than their regular class time. Please mark your calendar with the dates **Tuesday May 19th through to Monday May 25th, 2009**. Precise times will be posted at the studio, on the website and costume sheets will also indicate the exact time of the rehearsal. Please attend the information briefing after your child's dress rehearsal at the studio for additional information. If you cannot attend, please have another guardian/parent get the information for you.

Class Photographs

Please note that at the dress rehearsal there will be a professional photographer who will take group and single photos. For those of you who wish to purchase copies, you will find a sample picture and sign up form in the studio lobby from **Reaction Studio c/o Neil Dankoff, Tel: 416-483-9624**. **You must sign up and pre-pay for photos before the day to avoid delays and mistakes.**

Location of Performance and Ticket Sales

Location: Toronto Centre for the Arts
George Weston Hall
5040 Yonge Street (North of Sheppard Ave.)

Tickets will go on sale:

For 2pm Matinee only: Mon. April 20th and Tues. April 21, 2009 at 11am

For 6:30pm Evening Show only: Wed. April 22nd and Thurs April 23rd, 2009 at

11am Both shows: Fri. April 24th until show time

All tickets are **\$20.00 (plus all applicable taxes and surcharges \$3.)**.

Methods for purchasing tickets are:

#1 Ticketmaster Phones - Patrons call 416-872-1111 (additional service charges apply)

#2 Ticketmaster Online – Patrons visit www.ticketmaster.ca (additional service charges apply)

#3 Ticketmaster Outlets –Patrons visit any Ticketmaster in southern Ontario (additional service charges apply)

#4 The Toronto Centre Box Office- Patrons visit the Toronto Centre Box Office 11-6
Monday to Saturday, 12-4 on Sundays. Box Office phone number 416-250-3708

The Box Office does not sell tickets online or over the phone.

Please be certain of the time your child is performing as the box office and Ticketmaster do not have this information.

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Flowers

Mistletoe Floral Design will be back selling flowers at Showcase for your convenience. You can pre-order by calling 416-979-2543 or by e-mailing ann@mistletoe.ca

Registration

Registration for the 2009-10 season will begin **March 30, 2009** .If you register before **Showcase, your name will be entered in a Draw for a free Dance program.** In order to secure the desired class time and day, we recommend that you register early to avoid disappointment. You may register by phone, in person or by e-mail. We will still need a parent or guardian to sign the registration form before classes begin. By the end of May some classes will already be full!

After Showcase Classes

After school classes end **June 4th, 2009** and please check posted **After-Showcase Schedule** to make up classes and to bring your friends.

Thank-you for your continued support.

Wendy Nicolaidis and Colette Carr