

GENERAL INFORMATION

COSTUME RESPONSIBILITY

- After costume distribution, all performers are responsible for their own costumes.
- Performers may not wear costume pieces for anything other than dress rehearsals and performances!
- Most of the pieces are difficult or impossible to replace, so responsibility is key!

COSTUME EMERGENCY KIT

- Performers over the age of 8 are encouraged to have with them at all rehearsals and performances a costume emergency kit. This should include: one extra pair of clean, non-holy tights (if called for in your costume), safety pins, bobby pins, hairspray, brush, makeup and hair bands.

COMMUNICATIONS

Newsletter

- Reminders of the studio recital will be communicated through our newsletter that will be emailed to you each month. For those without email access, a few copies will be printed and available at the studio. It is your responsibility to pick one up.

Website

- The rehearsal and performance schedules, show orders and other more general information will remain available on our website.

Facebook

- If you have a general question about the rehearsals or performance, please feel free to post it to our Facebook page - <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Coastal-Dance-Music-Academy>

Email

- Sometimes we will send reminders for deadlines (such as turning in costume order forms) that come up during the week. Please be certain to check your email and follow up promptly on any emails received from us.

Face-to-Face

- Even with all these electronic communication options, we are still here to talk to you! The office is open from 10:00 am to the end of the last class Monday - Friday and 9:00 am - 12:00 pm on Saturday. Please feel free to stop by or call at any time.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Why do performers need to attend classes during the entire month of June in order to participate in the annual studio recital?

We at CDMA consider dance, theater and voice a performing art, and as such, it requires a level of training consistent with any other performing art; an ongoing process that demands discipline, hard work and commitment to continually improving. This commitment also takes into account fellow performers. Performers not attending class on a regular basis put a hardship upon their peers who rely on them for staging purposes. And finally, if a performer misses extended periods, they fall behind in their training and in learning choreography and are no longer at the same level as their fellow performers.

What if I know I will be out of town during one of my classes in June?

As soon as possible, call the office and let your instructor know. Even if this is months before, it is good to know so that we can make changes as needed.

What do I do if I lose or ruin a costume piece?

Go to the costume director at the front office as soon as possible. Costume pieces can rarely be replaced, so some other solution will have to be found. You are responsible for all costs incurred for replacing or repairing a costume piece.

What should I carry with me to performances?

It is imperative that you come prepared to dress rehearsals and performances. In addition to your costumes, performers in multiple pieces should have a hair brush, hairspray, deodorant, makeup, extra hair bands and pins and an extra pair of tights (if your costume calls for tights).

May I miss class the week of the show?

Class the week of the show is critically important. It is when instructors will make any staging changes to pieces if dancers will not be performing due to an unexpected event. Rehearsals are for running the piece, not re-staging, therefore dancers must be in class the week of the show unless, in rare cases, Director permission is given.

May I perform if I miss my Dress Rehearsal for the show?

If you are unable to attend any of your required dress rehearsals, you must schedule an appointment through the office so that your costumes/hair/make-up can be okayed. Call 489-5678. Speak to your instructor as soon as you know you have a conflict.

Who can I ask if I have more questions?

If any additional questions arise, contact the office by calling 489-5678 or email office@coastaldanceandmusicacademy.com and your email will be passed along to the appropriate person.