Recital Packet 2026

Most importantly: We have three different recital line-ups! We've grown a lot this year, and we thank you for noting the times for your dancer and verifying if you have any questions.

Dates - All Mandatory!

April 6th-11th Picture Week during normal dance class times at Durango Dance
May 7th - Dress Rehearsal at Fort Lewis College
May 17th - Recital at Fort Lewis College

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RECITAL ORDER

11am Recital	2pm Recital	6pm Recital
Wed Modern/Fri Discover	Thurs Compose Ballet	Thurs Compose Ballet
Imagine w/ Me	Tues 6:30 Imagine	Engage Jazz
Thurs Compose Ballet	Innovate Jazz	Adult Tap
Ellie	Engage Jazz	Explore Jazz
Mon 3:45 Imagine	Explore Jazz	Ellie
Innovate Jazz	Fri Explore Tap	Innovate Tap
Engage Jazz	Sat Modern	Mon Discover Ballet
Tues Discover Ballet	Compose Ballet Tues/Fri	Lucy
Fri Explore Tap	Hip Hop 10+	Compose Ballet Tues/Fri
Hip Hop 5+	Intermission	Sat Modern
Lucy	Dad Dance	Adult HH
Compose Ballet Tues/Fri	Tues 3:30 Imagine	Intermission
Intermission	Fri Explore Ballet	Adult Ballet
Dad Dance	Musical Theater	Compose Tap
Fri 10am Imagine	Compose Tap	Explore/Engage Tap
Fri Explore Ballet	Explore/Engage Tap	Wed Discover Ballet
Gemma	Fri Explore Jazz	Innovate Jazz
Musical Theater	Wed Explore Ballet	Ally
Tues Discover Tap	Sat Innovate	Wed Explore Ballet
Ally	Compose Jazz	Hip Hop 10+
Fri Explore Jazz	Final Bow	Sat Innovate
Thurs Explore Ballet		Mon/Wed Discover Tap
Sat Innovate		Gemma
Final Bow		Compose Jazz
		Musical Theater
		Thurs Explore Ballet
		Adult ALL
		Final Bow

PART 1: THE COMMITMENT

Important Recital Dates

Participation in the Durango Dance recital commits yourself and/or your child to the following dates and events.

DATE/TIME	ACTIVITY	WHO	LOCATION
April 6th-11th	Pictures will be taken by Allison Ragsdale Photograph	All Dancers *Please arrive with hair as stated in costuming list below. Costumes will be at the studio*	Durango Dance, Peridot (small) studio
April 19th **2pm**	Dad Dance Rehearsal	Dads, Granddads, Uncles, Big Brothers, and Moms are also Dads	Durango Dance
May 7th 3:30pm - 11am cast 5:30pm - 2pm cast 6:30pm - 6pm cast *See specifics below	Dress Rehearsal	All Dancers *Please arrive with hair as stated in costuming list below. Costumes will be at the concert Hall*	The Community Concert Hall at Fort Lewis College 1000 Rim Drive
May 17th **11:00 am show** Dancer Call time: 10:15am	Press Start to Dance Recital	11am Cast	The Community Concert Hall at Fort Lewis College 1000 Rim Drive
May 17th **2:00 pm show** Dancer Call: 1:15pm	Press Start to Dance Recital	2pm Cast	The Community Concert Hall at Fort Lewis College 1000 Rim Drive
May 17th **6:00 pm show** Dancer Call: 5:15pm	Press Start to Dance Recital	6pm Cast	The Community Concert Hall at Fort Lewis College 1000 Rim Drive

COSTUMES

Each dancer will have a specific costume for each class (dancers in more than one class will have more than one costume). Quick changes for dancers in multiple dances will be announced a month before performance date.

As part of our all-inclusive tuition, costumes and headpieces are the property of Durango Dance. Parents are to bring students dressed in their warm ups with undergarments on underneath. Costumes will remain in the dressing rooms before and after being worn on stage.

-No jewelry or underwear (if wearing tights/leotard) is to be worn with the costumes. Mature dancers may choose to wear a smooth, solid neutral bra, and dancers in pants should wear underwear.
-To ensure that there are no costume problems, students should not wear their costumes outside of recital related activities.
-Dance shoes should be taken off before leaving recital

Costumes returned damaged will incur a $65 charge for the replacement of the costume.

TIGHTS, SHOES, HAIR, AND MAKEUP

Makeup

All dancers are asked to wear light makeup for the recital: lipstick, blush, eye shadow, and mascara. Make up helps enhance dancer's facial features under bright lights, but it is not required. Parents and dancers may choose to forgo make-up at their own discretion.

Tights, Shoes, Hair

All dancers should wear the same tights/pants and shoes as they do in class.
Hair for ballet is requested to be in an eye-level bun if possible. Hair for all other styles is requested to be in a French braid, smoothed back ponytail, or headband/clips for short styles.

BE PREPARED

Supplies for the Recital

Costumes will be checked out and checked in before and after each recital.

Please do not send your child to the recital with snacks or beverages that could stain their costumes. Water is the only beverage children may have while in costume. Cheese sticks, apple slices, bars, etc are wonderful snack choices. Zia rice and beans are a pain to clean, so please save that for after recital!

Drop Off/Pick Up
Parents are to bring students dressed in their first costume to entrance tent. You'll sign in your dancer and send only 1 gallon sized bag with their shoes and any additional tights. Label the bag with your child's full name and any allergies. A labeled water bottle should be sent as well.

At the end of the show, dancers will be released from dressing rooms. They will have changed back into their personal attire. Please send only one parent to collect your dancer and allow 10 minutes after showtime for them to change and check-in their costumes.

Dressing Rooms
Located downstairs under the stage and backstage. For Dressing Rooms 1-2, please use the stairs by the downstairs concessions area. For Dressing Rooms 3-4, please use the stairs to the audience's right. For Green Room, please allow dancers to meet you at the door to backstage.

11am
Dressing Room 1 -Monday 3:45 Imagine Dancer (excused at intermission), Thursday 3:30 Hip Hop, Friday 10am Imagine (drop-off at Intermission), Wednesday 12:00 Modern
Dressing Room 2 - Thursday 3:30 Explore Ballet, Tuesday 3:30 Discover Ballet/Tap, Friday Explore Ballet/Tap/Jazz
Dressing Room 3 - ALL Compose Ballet,
Green Room - Innovate Dancers, Imagine Dance with Me, Friday 10am Discover, Ally Hirt, teacher kids

2pm
Dressing Room 1 -Tuesday 3:30 Imagine (excused at intermission), Monday 5:00 Engage Jazz, Wednesday 4:30 Explore Ballet, Tuesday 6:30 Imagine (drop-off at intermission)
Dressing Room 2 - Monday 3:00 Explore Jazz, 4:00 Explore Tap, Friday Ballet/Tap/Jazz
Dressing Room 3 - All Compose Ballet, Compose Jazz, 4:30 Hip Hop (girls)
Dressing Room 4 - Boys older than 8 yrs
Green Room - Innovate Dancers, Vanessa Craver, Helena Margeson, teacher kids

6pm
Dressing Room 1 - Monday 2:30 Discover Ballet/Tap, Monday 5:00 Engage Jazz, Wednesday 4:30 Explore Ballet
Dressing Room 2 - Monday 3:00 Explore Jazz, 4:00, Thursday 3:30 Ballet
Dressing Room 3 - All Compose Ballet, Compose Jazz, 4:30 Hip Hop (girls)
Dressing Room 4 - Boys older than 8 yrs
Green Room - Innovate Dancers, Vanessa Craver, Helena Margeson, teacher kids

Imagine Dancers will be released to parents immediately following their dance. They will be changed in the green room and sent out at the door to the backstage hallway. These dancers are welcome to join parents in the audience (lap children are free). We will acknowledge these dancers at finale (the end) but they will not return to stage.

Tickets - general audience
Tickets will be on sale soon! Children four and under are free. Tickets will be available through durangoconcerts.com, at the Welcome Center, or by calling 970-247-7657.

Tickets - volunteers
All volunteers will be issued a promo code for 2 free tickets to be used for the show you're not volunteering for. Please sign up here: https://forms.gle/72yPn5N71ZaUMKTD8

PICTURE DAY
Dancers should arrive to the studio with their hair and makeup done. They'll be taken to the back playroom to pick-up their costumes. Dancers may change in the playroom or in the bathrooms. (Parents feel free to stay to help your young dancer change if needed).

After pictures, dancers will run their dance(s) in costume in the Emerald Studio. Costumes should be taken off, hung up, and returned directly to their teacher picture day.

DRESS REHEARSAL
Parents of dancers 7 and under are asked to stay with their dancer at all times. Parents may work together to have one parent helping more than one child, but we do not have additional chaperones

Dress rehearsal takes place at The Community Concert Hall at Fort Lewis College.

How dress rehearsal works
1) Enter the concert hall at the main doors. Have all your shoes and tights with you!
2) Find your costume in the lobby
3) Dress in one of the provided green pop-up dressing rooms or bathrooms
4) Sit in the audience at your designated row
5) Dancers get to run their dance!
6) Ensure all costume pieces are returned to the bag and hung before leaving

In order to streamline the rehearsal process, we have placed dances into 30 minute blocks. Please arrive by your rehearsal time and expect to stay 30 minutes. This gives each dancer 15 minutes to change, and 15 minutes to rehearse

11am Recital	Rehearsal Time
Tues 5:30 Imagine w/ Me	3:30 - 4:00
Mon 3:45 Imagine	3:30 - 4:00
Wed Modern/Fri 10am Discover	3:30 - 4:00
Engage Jazz	3:45-4:15
Tues 3:30 Discover Ballet/Tap	3:45-4:15
Fri 10am Imagine	4:00-5:00
Hip Hop 5+	4:00-5:00
Thurs Explore Ballet	4:00-5:00
Innovate Jazz	4:15-4:45
Thurs Compose Ballet	4:15-4:45
Compose Ballet Tues/Fri	4:30-5:00
Musical Theater	4:30-5:00
Ally	4:45-5:15
Ellie	4:45-5:15
Gemma	4:45-5:15
Lucy	4:45-5:15
Sat Innovate	5:00-5:30
Fri Explore Ballet	5:30-6:00
Tues 3:30 Imagine	5:30-6:00
Tues 6:30 Imagine	5:30-6:00
Explore Jazz	5:45-6:15
Hip Hop 10+	5:45-6:15
Wed Explore Ballet	5:45-6:15
Fri Explore Jazz	5:45-6:15
Fri Explore Tap	5:45-6:15
Compose Jazz	6:00-6:30
Explore/Engage Tap	6:00-6:30
Explore/Engage Tap	6:00-6:30
Dad Dance	6:15-6:45
Monday 3:30 and Wed 4:15 Discover Ballet/Tap	6:15-6:45
Sat Modern	6:30-7
Compose Tap	6:30-7

Press Start to Dance

Sunday May 17th at 11am, 2pm, and 6pm

The Community Concert Hall at Fort Lewis College

11am Recital	Rehearsal Time
Adult Classes	6:30-7:30

VIDEO
The show will be recorded and a digital download available within a month after recital.

FLOWERS
Flower designs by Adela Floral will be available for sale both for pre-order and at recital (dependent on availability).

Pricing:
$15 for a mini spray of roses
$35 for a mid-size (5-7 flowers) bouquet.
These can be purchased through our studio portal or by signing up at dress rehearsal.

Save the Date for our Cast Party: June 12th 3:00-5:00 pm
We love to celebrate, and we're excited to host a cast party for our dancers. The Cast Party is FREE. Please bring a snack to share. We'll be showing our recital film!