



3rd Annual

Angela Bates Dance Academy

Holiday Show

December will be here before you know it.

We are ready to make preparations for our Annual Holiday Show!!

All ABDA Dancers, from Pre-dance level classes to Advanced level classes, are invited to perform in this fun and uplifting show to ring in the holiday season.

Below are some details about this event.

Dates, Places and Times

Our Holiday Show Performances will take place on Saturday, December 15th at the Rustin High School Theatre located at 110 Shiloh Road, West Chester, Pa 19382. There will be a matinee performance at 1pm and an evening performance at 5pm. All dancers will perform in BOTH shows with the exception of Pre-dance and Ballet/Tap 1 classes (they will only do one performance – Monday classes will perform in the 1pm performance and the Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday classes will perform in the 5pm performance). Dancers will need to be there an hour before each performance (little dancers ages 3-6 should be there 30 mins before each show). All company dancers must be there 2 hours before show time for a company warmup.

The dress rehearsal will take place on Friday, December 14th between 3pm-9pm (a detailed schedule with specific times for each routine/dancer is TBA) at Rustin High School in West Chester, Pa.

The Holiday Show routines for the actual performances will be taught during your scheduled classes starting mid-October.

Costs

There will be a \$75 performance fee for all dancers participating in two or more routines, a \$50 performance fee for all those participating in one routine and a \$30 performance fee for all Pre-dance and Ballet/Tap 1 dancers. This fee will help cover costumes, rehearsals, and theatre costs. The performance fee does NOT include admission tickets. Tickets will be sold separately and will cost \$15. They will go on sale November 16th.

Costuming

Unlike the end of the year recital, where every class has a costume that we purchase from a costume company, our Holiday Show is slightly different. We may order some new costumes; we may use costumes we already have in stock; we may try to reuse some of last year's recital costumes; and/or we may borrow costumes from other schools. Some of our routines are more theatrical in nature and will have costumes that the students create themselves (examples: in one number the students will wear their own mittens, snow jackets, and scarves; in another number the students will wear anything white;

in another anything green, white, and red). Although the staff has had lengthy discussions on this topic, we can't make a final decision on costumes until we get your confirmation letters back and obtain a final count of who is participating in the show.

Tights and Shoes: You may need to buy tights and shoes for the routines you are in; but in most cases you should already be using these items in your regular dance classes.

Letting us Know if you Can Participate

We ask that you let us know of your ability to participate or not participate by Saturday, October 6th, 2018, sooner if possible. Please submit the following ABDA Holiday Show Agreement Form along with your performance fee payment. If you are not interested and/or available in participating in our Holiday Show, no worries. You will still learn the fun holiday routine in class, you just won't actually be performing it.

Injuries and Absences

As stated above, if a student has an illness or injury, they are still expected to attend their classes/rehearsals, unless their illness or injury is grave. Students should try to dance if possible, or maybe walk through the class/rehearsal or at the very least watch the class/rehearsal. If a student is attending, but is, for whatever reason, unable to dance full out (meaning giving it their all) with the group for more than 2 classes/rehearsals, we still have the problem that they are not actually physically rehearsing with their group members. We will be grateful that they are there watching (it shows their dedication and will give them a much better chance of catching up), but we still cannot fully work the dances, see what the dances look like, and we cannot make sure their partners are prepared. Even if they are in attendance, if they are not dancing, we may have to curtail what they do. We sometimes hear a student or parent say, "I'll be fine for the show, I just can't practice until then, but I know I can do it." This position although extremely noble, is sometimes just not fair to the other members of the team, and can be physically dangerous to the student.

If a student has any injury or physical limitation whatsoever, they must notify the staff and let us know the nature of the injury and what limitations the student has, what the doctor said or when their appointments are, and the expected duration of the injury.

Students are still responsible for learning what they missed

If a student misses a class/rehearsal, the student (depending on their age and level) is responsible for learning what they missed before the next class/rehearsal begins. Older students may need to come to the studio to watch a video of the rehearsal (if one is available), or they may need to hook up with another student who has done the same part and learn it from them.

If a student needs to miss a class/rehearsal, they will need to call the studio to see how to best handle the absence and how to learn what they have missed. We try to make a private YouTube video of the choreography that we can email you. If you need this, please do not hesitate to ask for it ☺

Questions

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact us by calling us at 610-325-2003 or emailing us at angelabatesdanceacademy@gmail.com.



ABDA HOLIDAY SHOW AGREEMENT

Please notify the studio of your intent to participate by Saturday, October 6th, 2018 by submitting the following signed agreement, along with your performance fee payment.

Dancer Name: _____

- No, unfortunately I am not available and/or interested in participating in the 2018 ABDA Holiday Show
- Yes! I am thrilled to be a part of the 2018 ABDA Holiday Show! Count me in and see my list of classes (that I am currently registered for) that I would love to perform in the holiday show (do not include any pointe classes, stretch and tech or company classes):

	Class	Day	Time		Class	Day	Time
1.				6.			
2.				7.			
3.				8.			
4.				9.			
5.				10.			

- I am excited about the dress rehearsal on Friday, December 14th times TBA at Rustin High School.
- Special Note regarding the Dress Rehearsal:

- I can't wait to perform on Saturday, December 15th at the 1pm performance and 5pm performance at Rustin High School (or just one performance for pre-dance and ballet/tap 1 dancers)!
- Special Note regarding the Performances:

- I have enclosed my Performance Fee
 - \$75 for 2+ routines
 - \$50 for 1 routine
 - \$30 for a pre-dance or ballet/tap 1 routine to be performed in one show only.
 - I understand this performance fee covers costume rentals and theatre rental for rehearsals and performances.
 - I understand that tickets are not included and will be sold for \$15 each starting November 16th.
 - I understand that I am responsible for providing shoes, undergarments and tights.
- TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \$ _____** *Please check one*
 - _____ Checks Payable to "Angela Bates Dance Academy" CHECK # _____
 - _____ Cash – please obtain a receipt. RECEIPT # _____
 - _____ On-File Credit Card CC # last 4 DIGITS _____

Parent Agreement

I have read and fully understand the information in this Holiday Show Letter. I have taken time to discuss all the enclosed information with my child and agree to have her participate in this year's Holiday Show. I agree to follow these policies and guidelines, and will support the decisions made by the studio's staff. I give full authority to the Angela Bates Dance Academy directors and staff to dismiss my child should it be decided that the policies & guidelines herein are not being upheld. I further understand that there are no refunds of any kind should my child be dismissed or decides to discontinue her involvement in this program.

Parent Signature _____ (date) _____