

DECEMBER 2024

To the Pointe Newsletter



Welcome to December!

You blink and the first half of the season is almost over! We have been having so much fun these past few months and want to thank you all for being with us. As the holiday season approaches, we wish all of our dance families quality time spent with friends and family, the opportunity to relax, and health and happiness in 2025.

Best wishes from all of us at G2D!

Sincerely,
Gjenna & Anne-Alisa

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Performing Arts costume fees

Performing Arts costumes have started to arrive for festivals! We will be trying costumes on this month during classes.

The remaining balances for costumes will be distributed over the coming weeks. Once payment is received in full and all other studio fees are up to date, dancers may take their costumes home.

A reminder that costumes should only be worn for performances to keep them in good condition. If alterations are needed, Amber's Alterations is a local option with lots of dance costume experience. Rising Stars dancers will wear the same costumes from the Christmas Recital for their festival and year-end performance.

Holiday Cheer Week

Dancers are encouraged to wear holiday themed attire, clothing and pjs the final week of classes, December 16-19. We look forward to spreading holiday cheer!



Christmas Recital details!



Our Christmas Recital is just a few short days away and our dancers are very excited to showcase their routines and get everyone in the holiday spirit!

Christmas Recital date: Saturday, December 7

Where: Red Deer Memorial Centre (4214 58 St. Red Deer, beside Lindsay Thurber High School)

Time: 2 p.m. (estimated show length of 45 minutes)

Tickets: \$20 (children 3 and under are free if sitting on a lap)

Seating is reserved, meaning you pick your seat numbers when you purchase your tickets. Dancers do NOT require a ticket.

Tickets can be purchased online: <https://www.showpass.com/g2dxmas24/>

Any remaining tickets can be purchased at the door the day of the performance, but we recommend purchasing in advance, as the show is nearly sold out!



Costumes, hair & make-up

Your Costume, Hair and Make-Up checklist was distributed with the November newsletter. A reminder that all Recreational and Rising Stars dancers will be wearing the same costume for the Christmas Recital that they will also be wearing for festival (Rising Stars only) and the year-end recital. Please refrain from wearing your costume during the season when you are not performing. We recommend hanging it in a safe place to avoid wrinkling and damage.

Before the show

Dancers should arrive 20 minutes prior to showtime with their hair and make-up done. You may enter the CAT doors, which are to the left of the Memorial Centre's main doors. Follow the hallway through to the backstage area. Theatre ushers will be available to provide directional assistance for anyone new to the Memorial Centre.

Once backstage you can find your assigned dressing room area to get dressed and store your dancer's belongings. Please remember to label all costumes, tights and shoes with your dancer's name in the event that something is misplaced!

We are still in need of parent volunteers for Kinder I, Kinder II and Mini Movers and Groovers II. Thank you to our backstage parent volunteers who have already signed up! If you could please arrive 20-30 minutes before showtime, we will connect you with your group.

During the show

Once our younger dancers perform (Kinderdance, Mini Movers and Groovers, Movers and Groovers, Rec Hip Hop, Rising Stars, Juniors) families can collect your dancer from backstage to watch the remainder of the show. Please make your way to the backstage area after their performance to grab your little one.

Please note, we will not be bringing dancers back onstage at the end of the recital in order to make things easier for parents. Dancers that were collected during the show can stay with their families.

After the show

Our Christmas Recital is short and sweet! It should last roughly one hour from start to finish. Once we are done, dancers may go! Dancers that have not already been picked up during the show can be collected from the dressing rooms and backstage area. It's helpful to make a plan with your dancer where you will pick them up after the show, as the theatre is very busy! Please double check the dressing room before you leave to ensure you have all of your belongings.





Recital order

Junior I Ballet
Senior Jazz
Mini Movers & Groovers I (Tuesday, 4:45 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. class)
Kinderdance I (Monday, 4 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. class)
Rising Stars Jazz
Kinderdance II (Monday, 5:45 p.m. - 6:15 p.m. class)
Intermediate Jazz
Kinderdance III (Tuesday, 5 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. class)
Rec Hip Hop
Kinderdance IV (Thursday, 4:30 p.m. - 5 p.m. class)
Mini Movers & Groovers II (Thursday, 4:15 p.m. - 5 p.m. class)
Junior II Ballet
Movers & Groovers
Rising Stars Ballet
Junior Hip Hop
Intermediate/Senior Hip Hop

Christmas break

Regular classes will be paused for Christmas break from December 23 - January 5.
Classes will resume on Monday, January 6th.

Winter registration for Rec classes now open!

We will be opening up registrations for the second half of the season in some select Recreational classes with room availability:

- Kinder I (Mondays, 4 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.)
- Kinder II (Mondays, 5:45 p.m. - 6:15 p.m.)
- Kinder III (Tuesdays, 5 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.)
- Mini Movers & Groovers II (Thursdays, 4:15 p.m. - 5 p.m.)

Registration forms can be found on our website: www.got2dance.ca/register/

(Please note: if your dancer registered in the fall, you are automatically registered for the entire season, through until the end of April. The above registration is for new dancers only, if you know of a little one who would like to join!)