

LDA PRESENTS.... "ASPIRE"

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Dear Parents, this letter outlines our final plans for our upcoming show at The Radlett Centre in July. All rehearsals will continue to take place during scheduled class times up to and including Friday 12th July. We will then go into our show week timetable where you will be required at set times and days which you will hopefully already have penciled. The show week is to organise and arrange the backstage logistics, conform to our show regulations and to give the students a feel of how the show will run. This is the most important part of the show preparation. Closer to the time, you'll receive a personalised letter with your child's specific schedule. Until then, here's a breakdown of the whole "show week schedule" for your reference. Some dancers will need to bring specific items as well as wear age-appropriate stage makeup and style their hair accordingly, all of which will be detailed in an email closer to the time.

You'll see at the bottom of your email a list of your child's dance name and team (Team 1, Team 2 or Team Seniors), allowing you to identify their time slots and show days below. Particularly if you're a first time show parent, the information can look vast, but I can assure you, the week runs like clockwork!

ALL required rehearsals and show days are <u>mandatory</u>, and <u>all students must participate in their whole</u> <u>schedule</u>. Failure to attend rehearsals would result in the student not being able to be in the final show due to our strict licensing & health and safety regulations. If your child can no longer take part after reading the final schedule, please let me know urgently.

There are over 350 students in the show and over 1000 costumes to supply. I kindly request parents to understand that we are unable to accommodate individual requests.

We've created a show WhatsApp group. Responses will be disabled so it will serve as a convenient way for us to remind you of upcoming important dates. You can join the group here: <u>LDA SHOW WHAT'S APP</u>

TICKETS, TEAMS, AND CHAPERONES

TICKETS WILL GO ON SALE ON 1st MAY 2024

You'll also be able to pre order a USB & Digital download of the show. https://stagestubs.com/lets-dance-academy/aspire-lda-show-2024

SHOW DAYS:

Your child's allocation as Team 1, Team 2, or Team Senior determines their rehearsal and performance days. Team 1 & 2, typically younger students, have fewer required days compared to Seniors, who are usually older and participate in all rehearsals and shows.

Saturday 20th July (Team 1 & All seniors shows) 11am and 5pm shows. Tickets £19, Concessions £16 Sunday 21st July (Team 2 & All seniors shows) 11am and 5pm shows. Tickets £19, Concessions £16

CHAPERONE PLEA!

We will need around 30 parent chaperones per show, so your help would be greatly appreciated. If you hold a DBS, first aid certificate or are a licensed chaperone, please make us aware, although this is not necessary.

If you're happy to help, please fill out our chaperone form: CHAPERONE FORM

Last year we also had some tickets on sale for the Thursday & Friday dress/tech rehearsals. As things stand, the auditorium will not be available on these days, but I will let parents know if this changes.

WHICH ACT IS MY CHILD IN?

TEAM 1 – THURSDAY & SATURDAY SHOWS

TEAM 1 ACT 1 - 1st Half

- 1. Brother" LDA Dance Company"
- 2. Rosas" Grd 1 & Prim Ballet"
- 3. Whistle While you work" Pre & Primary Ballet/Modern"
- 4. Jai Ho" Bronze & Silver Jazz"
- 5. Marry The Night" Street Yrs 8-11"
- 6. Princess & The Frog" Grd 1 Modern"
- 7. Somebody To Love Street Yrs 5-7"
- 8. Six Mix" Rhythm Tap"
- 9. Daybreak" Grd 5 Ballet"
- 10. Dancing Queens" Leavers of 23/24 "
- 11. Swifties! Grd 2 Modern
- 12. Puttin' On The Ritz" Grd 2 & 3 Tap"
- 13. Let's Face The Music & Dance" Grd 5 & Inter Ballet"
- 14. Hold On" Contemp Yr 8&9"
- 15. Perm" Street Yrs 4-5"
- 16. Never Said Goodbye" Contemp Yrs 11&12"
- 17. Crazy For You" Grd 3 Ballet"
- 18. Wondering" Contemp Yrs 2&3"
- 19. Part Of Your World" Grd 1 & 2 Ballet
- 20. Newsies" Gold & Silver Jazz"
- 21. Believe" Grd 3 & 4 Modern"
- 22. Elvis" Adv Jazz"

TEAM 1 ACT 2 - 2nd Half

- 23. Walking The Dog" Pointe Work"
- 24. Polar Express" Grd 3 Modern"
- 25. Jazz Man" Grd 5 & 6 Tap"
- 26. Here Comes The Sun" Grd 2 & 3 Ballet"
- 27. I 2 I" Grd 1 Tap"
- 28. Grease Live" Musical Theatre"
- 29. 7 Nation Army" Adv Contemp "
- 30. Flaws and All" Contemp Yr 10+"
- 31. Sky Full of Stars" Grd 4 Ballet"
- 32. Friend Like Me" Grd 2 & 3 Modern"
- 33. Brave" Grd 1 Ballet"
- 34. Runaway Baby" Street Yrs 2&3 & Jazz Prep"
- 35. Counting Stars" Contemp Yrs 5-7"
- 36. Tarzan" Grd 1 Modern"
- 37. Fly is me" Grd 3 & Teen Tap"
- 38. Little Mermaid" Grd 2 & 3 Ballet"
- 39. Black & Gold" Grd 6 Modern"
- 40. Hanging Tree" Inter Modern"
- 41. Proud Mary" Grd 5 Modern"
- 42. Keeping your head up" Grd 6 Modern"
- 43. 17" Contemp Teen"
- 44. Hairspray" LDA Dance company"

COSTUME CALL & PHOTOS:

WHEN: Saturday 13th July TEAM 1 & SOME SENIORS WHERE: Wheatfields Junior School-Main Hall

All students will be required to attend their final costume fitting over the weekend of the 13th and/or 14th July, Team 1 are the 13th July. Each class has been allocated a time slot below to attend to allow for class costume alterations and class photos. Students will be required to attend with their hair and make-up done as required for their dance, and any items needed. Specific dance requirements will be emailed nearer the time. They do not need to attend in their uniform.

We will have a professional dance photographer available who will take an optional photo of each student. These will be available to purchase at the show. If for any reason your child is unable to attend the weekend, they will be unable to have their photo taken and an alternative date for fitting must be arranged with Becky.

TEAM 1 & SOME SENIORS SATURDAY 13th JULY 10:00 – 10:30am Rosas Wondering 10:30 – 11:00am Princess and the Frog I2I 11:00 – 11:30am Runaway Baby Whistle While you work 11:30 – 12noon Brave Part Of Your World 12:00 – 12:30pm Tarzan Swifties

FIRST REHEARSAL:

WHEN:

Monday 15th July (Team 1 & All seniors shows)

WHERE: Marshalswick Baptist Church

Students should arrive in class uniform with any dance shoes needed. If doing multiple genres, they will not be asked to change between dances, except shoes.

Students will need to be dropped off at the below times as soon as they have finished their last dance they will be allowed to leave with a parent. There is a waiting area, parents can either wait and take their child when they have finished dancing or at the end of their slot.

Monday 15th July Team 1 & All seniors

4:30 - 5:30pm

- 1. Brother
- 2. Rosas
- 3. Whistle While you work
- 4. Jai Ho
- 5. Marry The Night
- 6. Princess & The Frog
- 7. Somebody To Love
- 8. Six Mix
- 9. Daybreak
- 10. Dancing Queens
- 11. Swifties!

5:40 - 6:30pm

- 12. Puttin' On The Ritz
- 13. Let's Face The Music & Dance
- 14. Hold On
- 15. Perm
- 16. Never Said Goodbye
- 17. Crazy For You
- 18. Wondering
- 19. Part Of Your World
- 20. Newsies
- 21. Believe
- 22. Elvis

6:40 - 7:30pm

- 24. Polar Express
- 25. Jazz Man
- 26. Here Comes The Sun
- 27. | 2 |
- 28. Grease Live
- 29. 7 Nation Army
- 30. Flaws and All
- 31. Sky Full of Stars
- 32. Friend Like Me
- 33. Brave
- 34. Runaway Baby
- 35. Counting Stars
- 36. Tarzan

7:40 - 8:15pm

- 37. Fly is me
- 38. Little Mermaid
- 39. Black & Gold
- 40. Hanging Tree
- 41. Proud Mary
- 42. Keeping your head up
- 43. 17
- 44. Hairspray

SHOWTIME:

WHEN:

Saturday 20th July (Team 1 & All seniors shows) 11am and 5pm show.

WHERE: The Radlett Centre, Radlett

Students should arrive in full stage makeup and with their hair done

Students will be required to arrive 1 hour before the start of the shows to sign in, find their dressing room, costume and to get changed. **STUDENTS MUST PARTICIPATE IN BOTH THE 11AM & 5PM SHOW.**

11:00am SHOW

Act 1 Students

Arrive 10:00am

Collect approx. 12noon if not in Act 2

(Unless they wish to be in the finale in which case, they will need to stay for the duration of the show)

20 Minutes interval

Act 2 Students Arrive 11:45am Collect approx. 1:30pm

The 11am shows will last around 2hrs 30mins including the interval

LEGALLY, STUDENTS MUST HAVE A BREAK BETWEEN SHOWS, THEREFORE, STUDENTS MUST BE COLLECTED AND WILL BE SIGNED OUT OF THEIR DRESSING ROOMS AFTER THE 11AM SHOW. The theatre's café and local shops will be open for food, many parents/groups of students book one of the local restaurants, a few minutes walk from the theatre. Students will not be allowed to leave without a parent unless permission is given on their show form.

5:00pm SHOW

Act 1 Students
Arrive back for 4pm

Collect approx. 6:00pm if not in Act 2

(Unless they wish to be in the finale in which case, they will need to stay for the duration of the show)

20 Minutes interval

Act 2 Students Arrive 5:45pm Collect approx. 7:45pm

The 5pm shows will last around 2hrs 45mins including the interval and the speeches at the end.