

DANCEWORKS ANIMATION VERSA5 Recital 2025

PACKET

Introduction

Welcome to the VERSA5 Dance Recital 2025!

This year, we are so excited to showcase the hard work and dedication of our dancers. Please take time to carefully read through this packet to ensure you're well-prepared for the event. In this packet, you will find all information regarding our Annual Recital including information about Photography, Videography, Dress Rehearsal, Ticket Sales, and more. We hope this packet answers all of your questions!

Please note some procedures change from year to year, so be sure to read the packet.

DRESS REHEARSAL:

Show 1 ::: Tuesday June 3, 2025 at 6:30pm (Call Time - 6:00pm) Show 2 ::: Wednesday June 4, 2025 at 6:30pm (Call Time - 6:00pm) Show 3 ::: Thursday June 5, 2025 at 6:30pm (Call Time - 6:00pm) <u>VERSA5 - 6218 Main Street Downers Grove, IL 60516</u>

RECITAL:

Show 1 ::: Saturday June 7, 2025 at 10:00am (Call Time - 9:30am) Show 2 ::: Tuesday June 10, 2025 at 6:30pm (Call Time - 6:00pm) Show 3 ::: Wednesday June 11, 2025 at 6:30pm (Call Time - 6:00pm) <u>Tivoli-Classic Cinemas 5021- Highland Ave, Downers Grove, IL 60515</u>

We are very excited about this year's show and we are extremely proud of all of our dancers!

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- Accounts MUST be up-to-date and in good standing to participate in Recital.
- There are NO regular youth dance classes the week of Recital!
- Each Recital is expected to run approximately one (1) hour.
- Dancers should ARRIVE COMPLETELY dressed in their first costume with hair & makeup DONE to Dress Rehearsal and Recital!
- No food, drinks or GLITTER are allowed backstage in the dressing rooms at dress rehearsal or recital.
- No video cameras or flash photography allowed at Recital. There will be a videographer and photographer there to capture the moments for you. Cameras are allowed ONLY at Dress Rehearsal.

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Location: Tivoli - Classic Cinemas 5021 Highland Ave, Downers Grove, IL 60515

Call Time and Check-In

Call Time (Arrival Time):

• All dancers must arrive at least 30 minutes before the start of recital. Please arrive on time to ensure we stay on schedule.

Check-In Location:

• Dancers should check in at the lobby table upon arrival. Our staff will guide them to their seating section or dressing rooms and provide any final instructions.

SHOW 01: Saturday June 7, 2025

All DiscoverDance, DiscoverHipHop, KinderCombo and Monday BEG Combo families will need to sign-in. Choose one guardian per family and have the same ONE (1) guardian sign the dancer(s) in and out. The guardian will receive a colored wristband with their dancer(s) name.

Make sure to take them to the restroom before entering the theater. Your dancer should be ready to dance while they are sitting in the audience!

SHOW 02 & Show 03: Tuesday June 10 and Wednesday June 11, 2025 All dancers will stay with their class, before and after they perform. Your dancer must be ready to dance while they are sitting in the audience!

Once the show begins, our backstage runners will line-up the dancers and each class will enter the stage one routine before they perform.

During the Show

Where will each performer be during the show?

- Dancers performing only once during the show will sit in the audience with their class. The dancers will not need a ticket. One section of the theater is reserved for performers.
- Dancers performing more than once may be backstage.

What should each performer bring to recital?

- Dancers should only bring a small bag with them to the venue. The bag must fit under the theater seats or small stairwells.
- NO food, drinks, or GLITTER are allowed backstage in the dressing rooms. Only water is allowed backstage and must be packed in a bag for your dancer.
- It is highly recommended that electronics or any other expensive items be left with an adult so they are not lost or damaged. VERSA5 is not responsible for lost, stolen, or damaged items. We will have a lost and found box for any items left behind and they will be brought back to the studio. They may be picked up during our JUNE SUMMER SESSION.
- NO dance shoes are to be worn anywhere except inside the theater. DO NOT wear your dance shoes outside!
- Performers are NOT allowed to hold flowers or recital bears during the show! You may show your love and support after the show.

After the Performance

Curtain Call:

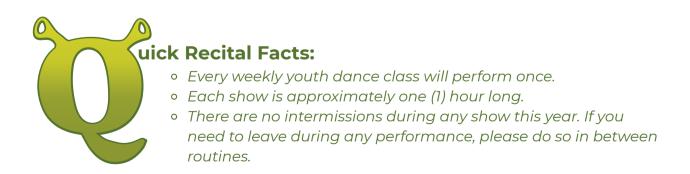
• This year, we will have each class complete Curtain Call. We will rehearse Curtain Call at Dress Rehearsal. The dancers will have the opportunity to bow and wave before the curtains closes.

Sign-Out:

• Any DiscoverDance, KinderCombo or BEG Combo families will need the "check-in guardian" to come to the stage to pick up their dancer. VERSA5 Staff and Volunteers will be there to assist.

Meet & Greet:

• After the performance, there will be a brief meet-and-greet time with dancers in the lobby. This is a great opportunity for you to congratulate your dancer and take photos.



Recital 2025 Class Lists

WHICH SHOW OR DAY IS MY DANCER PERFORMING IN?

CHECK OUT THE CLASS LISTS HERE!

SHOW 1 Saturday June 7

Monday DiscoverDance (Ages 3-5) Monday KinderCombo T/B (Ages 5-7) Monday BEG Combo (Ages 6-8) Tuesday DiscoverDance (Ages 3-5) Tuesday KinderCombo T/B (Ages 5-7) Wednesday KinderCombo T/B (Ages 5-7) Thursday KinderCombo T/B (Ages 5-7) Thursday DiscoverHipHop (Ages 4-6) Thursday DiscoverDance (Ages 3-5) "All Star" VDC Tap Line "Freak Flag" VDC Musical Theater "Livin' La Vida Loca" Sapphire Jazz "Landslide" Sapphire Contemporary "Like Whoa" Cobalt Jazz "Flying" VDC Turquoise + Cobalt Lyrical "Another One Bites the Dust" Turquoise Jazz "Unwritten" Teal Lyrical "Public Affair" Sky Blue Jazz "Perfect Day" Periwinkle Jazz

SHOW 2 Tuesday June 10

Monday Ballet III (Ages 9-11) Monday Ballet IV (Ages 10-12) Tuesday Pointe V/VI (Ages 12+) Tuesday Tap III (Ages 9-11) Wednesday Ballet I (Ages 7-9) Wednesday Ballet II (Ages 8-10) Wednesday Contemporary II (Ages 8-10) Wednesday BEG Combo (Ages 6-8) Wednesday BEG Combo (Ages 7-9) Thursday Ballet V (Ages 12-14) Thursday Tap IV (Ages 10-12) Thursday Ballet VI (Ages 14+) Thursday Contemporary V (Ages 12-14) "All Star" VDC Tap Line "Freak Flag" VDC Musical Theater "Livin' La Vida Loca" Sapphire Jazz "Kiss Kiss" Cobalt + Turquoise Hip Hop "Fireball" Teal + Sky Blue Hip Hop

SHOW 3 Wednesday June 11

Monday Contemporary III (Ages 9-11) Monday Jazz V (Ages 12-14) Monday Contemporary IV (Ages 10-12) Monday Tap V (Ages 12-14) Tuesday Jazz I (Ages 7-9) Tuesday Tap II (Ages 8-10) Tuesday Jazz II (Ages 8-10) Tuesday Tap I (Ages 7-9) Tuesday Jazz III (Ages 9-11) Tuesday Contemporary VI (Ages 14+) Wednesday Hip Hop I/II (Ages 7-10) Wednesday Hip Hop III/IV (Ages 9-12) Wednesday Hip Hop V/VI (Ages 12+) Thursday Hip Hop I/II (Ages 7-10) Thursday Jazz IV (Ages 10-12) Thursday Jazz VI (Ages 14+) "All Star" VDC Tap Line "Flying" Cobalt + Turquoise Lyrical "Perfect Day" Periwinkle

Dress Rehearsal

SHOW 1 Dress Rehearsal: Tuesday June 3, 2025 SHOW 2 Dress Rehearsal: Wednesday June 4, 2025 SHOW 3 Dress Rehearsal: Thursday June 5, 2025

Location: VERSA5 - 6218 Main Street, Downers Grove, IL 60516

We will rehearse each class routine in the Harper Studio of VERSA5 on *Tuesday June 3, Wednesday June 4, and Thursday June 5, 2025*

Each Dress Rehearsal starts at 6:30pm (Call Time is 6:00pm)

We conduct dress rehearsals in the order of each show. This way students feel adequately prepared with costume changes and transitions.

Show Orders TBD!

Students will rehearse in costume, including proper shoes and accessories.

Hair and make must be stage ready.

Each class will be taking a group photo.

We may run class routines more than once to ensure the dancers are ready.

One (1) parent or guardian must stay with any dancer 7 years old or younger. The parent or guardian is welcome to sit in the Harper Studio to watch dress rehearsal. Due to capacity, we may ask anyone to leave if your dancer is not rehearsing.

Dressing rooms will be available for dancers in more than one routine.

We will rehearse Curtain Call twice, first and last, during every dress rehearsal.

Be sure to arrive to dress rehearsal performance ready!

Costumes



Costume Requirements

All dancers will be provided with costumes. Tights and shoes are not included in costume fees. You are responsible for obtaining the appropriate shoes and tights required for each class. See the lookbook for requirements!

Be sure to pack any necessary accessories, such as headpieces, gloves, or jewelry with each costume.

Scan the QR for Recital Costume Requirements!

Please be sure to keep your costume in a safe place away from pets and young children. *We cannot replace damaged costumes!* Please do not wear your costume unless its for a photoshoot, dress rehearsal, or recital.

Recital costume distribution will begin in Mid-April. All costumes must be tried on before taking them home to identify any size or fit concerns.

In addition, you are responsible for any and all alterations. Alterations to the costumes, if needed, should be sewn. (Do not use safety pins; they can come open while your dancer is onstage).

RECITAL COSTUME TIPS:

- Always carry costumes in a bag; tutus should be stored flat to ensure the tulle stays straight. Costumes should be hung up to take out wrinkles—a steamer works well. DO NOT use a hot iron on costumes!
- Please bring a bag that is labeled with your student's name. All items inside the bag should be labeled with your students name including shoes and costume pieces. We are not responsible for lost or stolen items
- Remember to bring all necessary shoes.
- New tights attract water, mud, and dirt like a magnet. To avoid premature wear, we recommend storing tights in the freezer.
- Only nude or skin colored undergarments should be worn under costumes.
- No nail polish or jewelry. (If your dancer has recently gotten her ears pierced and cannot remove her earrings, her ears will need to be covered up with band-aids.)

If your dancer has more than one costume per show, they are required to wear a nude or skincolored leotard for any costume changes!

Hair & Make-Up

Quick Note: Recital makeup is necessary for your dancer's face to be seen on stage and in pictures!

Please arrive to dress rehearsal and recital with hair styled and makeup completed according to the following guide.

HAIR

For recital, any student with hair longer than the chin must have it completely secured. The students will be wearing **middle part, low bun**. No beauty shop appointments necessary. Be sure to review the hair tutorial. Any hair items, other than costume headpieces, should blend into the hair. Tortoise shell barrettes and color-matching hair ties are the best. Bangs above the eyebrows are acceptable.

Below are the recommended hair items:

- Pin Tail Comb for parting hair
- Boar hair bristle brush for slick pony
- Hair ties that match hair color
- Hairnets
- Bobby pins
- Bun hair pins
- Strong Hold Gel
- Strong Hold Hairspray



MAKE-UP

All classes Grades 1+ are required to wear makeup. For DiscoverDance and KinderCombo classes, makeup is highly recommended but not required. For these little ones, we recommend a lighter version of the makeup tutorial including blush, eyebrow product, and light lipstick. Overall, please remember the students will be under stage lights, and may be washed out during photos and video.

Below are the required make-up items:

- Eyeshadow: Ulta Beauty's Color Clique in "Summer in Provence" or Ulta Beauty's Eyeshadow Singles in "Pin-Up Girl", "Desire", and "Plum Pop"
- Lipstick: Maybelline Matte Ink in "Founder" or Maybelline Ink Crayon in "120-Be Bold, Be You"
- Blush: Revlon Powder Blush in "Mauvelous" or Essence Baked Blush in "04 Rosy Rosewood"
- Foundation of your choice
- Concealer of your choice
- Eyebrow product of your choice
- Black Eyeliner of your choice
- Black Waterproof Mascara of your choice
- False Eyelashes (recommended for any Level IV): Ardell "<u>Demi Wispies</u>"
- Eyelash glue (Recommendation: Duo Brush-On Adhesive)

Scan the QR for Makeup Tutorial on Vimeo!



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Day-Of Recital

Recital Video & Photography:

- A professional videographer will be on-site to capture each recital. Families may purchase Blu-rays or DVDs of the performances using the QR below.
- We ask that all audience members refrain from taking pictures, most importantly no flash photography, during the performance to ensure the best quality of photos and videos for everyone.

Performance Etiquette:



- Backstage Etiquette: All dancers should remain in the dressing rooms or in the designated theater seating until it is their turn to perform. Parents and family members are not allowed backstage during the recital.
- Loud & Proud: We encourage audiences to cheer and congratulate our dancers on stage. This is a special event and we want all performers to feel the love and support from the audience.
- Waiting Between Performances: Dancers should remain in the designated theater seating or dressing room until it's time for them to perform. They may not wander the theater.

Theater Guidelines:

- Theater doors will open 30 minutes prior to show time.
- If you must leave the theater prior to the end of the performance, please do so in between routines. The flood of lights from the lobby ruins the lighting and videotaping if doors are opened during a performance.
- Please be respectful of those around you.
- Enjoy the show!





You are welcome to invite all family members and friends to attend!

Ticket Information:

- Tickets will be available for purchase starting Wednesday 5/7 at 10:00am. They can be purchased online only. Please use the link from QR code above.
- Tickets are \$22 (plus tax and fees).

Seating:

- Seating is reserved but ticket sales are first come, first serve. Be sure to purchase your tickets in a group to allow your family and friends to sit together.
- Online ticket sales will be open until the start of each show.

All ticket sales are final. No refunds.



Photo Shoot with Apple Snaps

Sunday May 18, 2025 Saturday May 24, 2025

Scan the QR to register. Limited Spots available! This season we are working with Ms. Dani from Apple Snaps Photos on individual or family sessions for recital photos.

- \$95 for 5 photos
- Each shoot will be at VERSA5
- 10 minute sessions are available



Additional Info

Dear Dance Families, as we approach our upcoming recital, we need your support to make this special event a success! Volunteering is a great way to get involved and help create a smooth and memorable experience for both the dancers and the audience. Whether it's assisting with ushering, selling tickets, or guiding families for recital check-in, your involvement will make a huge difference. We rely on your enthusiasm and generosity to bring everything together, and your support ensures that our recital is a celebration of all the hard work our dancers have put in.



Please consider signing up to VOLUNTEER – it's an exciting opportunity to be part of the magic!

We are looking for a couple of parents and/or guardians to help with each show. Every volunteer will receive one (1) recital staff tee and (1) \$10 Dunkin Donuts gift card. If you would like to volunteer, please fill out the google form using the QR code.

RECITAL T-SHIRTS

Recital T-Shirts are included in the Recital fee and will be distributed in May.

RECITAL PROGRAM

A complimentary digital copy of the program will be available. A printed program will be available for pre-order when you order recital tickets. Depending on availability, they may be available for purchase on show day. Be sure to snag a copy to follow along with each show!

FLOWERS & RECITAL BEARS

You will have the option to pre-order flowers and recital bears, when you purchase recital tickets. If you pre-order, they will be available for pick-up on the day of the show. Depending on availability, they may be available for purchase on show day.

DANCER SPOTLIGHTS

Every year we create a commemorative playbill. This year, you may purchase a spotlight for your dancer(s) for \$20. Spotlights are ¼ page and a lovely nice surprise for your dancer on their BIG day! Order your spotlight by emailing us, along with your choice of photo and shoutout, to <u>info@versa5.com</u> before Saturday May 31, 2025.

BUSINESS SPONSORSHIP ADS

If your business would like to sponsor our performance, ½ page business ads are available for \$40 or full page business ads for \$60. Order your business ad by emailing us, along with your business logo, to <u>info@versa5.com</u> before Saturday May 31 , 2025.

Cast List

CHECK THE SPELLING OF YOUR DANCER(S) NAME!

Please check the spelling of your dancer's name below. Their name will be listed on recital tees and the cast list inside recital programs. If you would like their name spelled differently, please email us at <u>versa5studio@gmail.com</u> by Friday April 25, 2025.

Emma Adams Charlotte Adducci Cecilia Alfano Veda Alfano Zelda Anthony **Clare Baldwin** Abby Bender Willa Blazaitis Karina Bochenek Maeve Borsom **Bella Bowes** Anna Boyce Olivia Boyce Abby Boyce Georgia Boyle Addison Brauer Erin Brown Letí Burel Mia Castellano **Rivvy** Centanni Sarah Connor Lyla Cortez Polly Crawford Gwen Cuzzone Michaela Damico Sutton Del Valle **Reese DeVries** Arisha Dhadwal Kenzie Diaz Juliana Dickenscheidt Daniella Divittorio Elyte Dumbrys Serena Elavia Vitalija Elvikis Molly Enger Madeline Enger Annaleigh Evett Mila Fardy **Charlotte Ferris** Layla Foreman Abby Franchi Emma Fuller Lila Ganesan Eleanor Garro Bella Gelev Ellia Gitersonke Kendyl Gitersonke

Liv Gitersonke Leah Gonzalez Jenna Grady Cate Grande Liza Gruenwald lordvn Guziec Alex Haeberle Mackenzie Hahn **Emilia Hamilton** Libby Hatlen Hannah Hoffman Nora Holtzman Vivienne Homerding lla Horton Morgan Houser Olivia Hume Penny Jackson Charlotte Johnson Maddie Joslyn MaryAnna Kaleta Jane Kamano Abby King **Oliver Klawitter** Alexis Klein Emilia Klimek Lyla Kongkaeow Caroline Koschnitzke Fiona Krenn Layla Krol Ellie Kropifko Nora Krueger Parker Krueger Ella Kurtenbach Kayla Kurtenbach Madelyn Landry **Riley Lang Brooke Lausas Rachel Lausas** Vivian Law Eloise Lewandowski Emma Lindley Charlie Lingemann Teagan Loane Ada Lockhart Taylor Lyman Maeve Lynch **Everly Maack**

Hannah Mackender Elena Mahor Molly Maloney Hazel Marek Rowen Martin Lvla Matheu Noelle Mayer Elise Mayer **Finnegan McCall** Sofia McCormick Cosette McGrath Margot McGrath Alaysha McNamer **Brielle Medows** Lucy Mercado **Ruby Miller** Winnie Miller Kanoko Momozaki Josephine Nalepa Elianna Neace **Belle Neidhart** Daria Nelson Celia Nelson CG Nichols Ashland Nolan Avery Norris Emily O'Brien June O'Brien Margot O'Brien Elsie Ochoa Evelyn Ochoa Rory Oliva Violet Paladin Eleanor Papp Olivia Petruzzelli Maggie Petschinsky Josephine Pitrak Addison Pitrak Leah Prendergast **Courtney Quach** Maddy Resce **Raegan Rice Emery Rice** Emma Rozell Ellie Ruof Gabriela Sandrzyk Mary Schindler

Nina Schoenfeld Nina Schuering Sally Schuering Sloane Schwerha Olive Schwerha Elsie Schwerha Gianna Shah Haley Sharp **Evelyn Smetana** Samantha Smetana **Josephine Soldato** Vivienne Spasov Chloe Spasov Audrey Speck Mia Stasko Violet Steinke **Charlotte Steinke** Avery Stock Lily Suggs Lisa Svehla Addalyn Szczepaniak Natalie Tan Avery Taylor Aura Thompson Rae Thompson Hadley Toronyi Lillian Tucek Aiden Tucek Ashley Turner Izzy Vabalaitis Morgan Van Howe Logan VanWyngaarden Madison Vicek Morgan Vogt **Brooke Vought** Austin Ward Ronan Waszsk Clara Weed Aviana Wenc **Emily Whoriskey** Hazel Wilson Katherine Winkler Abby Wyrick Hailey Yaman Alexa Yucus Sasha Zieserl Sydney Zieserl

IMPORTANT DATES

- Costume Distribution Week: The Week of April 14, 2025
- Dancer Name Spelling Check for Cast List DUE: Friday April 25, 2025
- Recital Tickets Go on Sale: May 7, 2025 at 10:00am
- Photo Sessions with Apple Snaps: Sunday May 18 and Saturday May 24, 2025
- Studio Closed: Memorial Day Monday May 26, 2025
- Recital Tee and Souvenir Pick-up: The Week of May 27, 2025
- Dancer Spotlight Ads DUE: Saturday May 31, 2025
- Business Sponsorship Ads DUE: Saturday May 31, 2025
- Last Day of Dance Classes: Monday June 2, 2025
- Dress Rehearsal Date(s): Tuesday June 3 at 6:00pm, Wednesday June 4 at
 6:00pm, and Thursday June 5 at 6:00pm
- **RECITAL DATE(S):** Saturday June 7 at 10:00am, Tuesday June 10 at 6:30pm, and Wednesday June 11 at 6:30pm
- Summer Session Starts: Thursday June 19, 2025

CONTACT INFORMATION

If you have any questions or need further assistance, please feel free to contact us! Studio Phone Number: 630.963.0456 Studio Email: info@versa5.com Website: www.versa5.com/recital

We are looking forward to seeing everyone shine on stage and can't wait for you to join us for this year's recital! Thank you for your continued support of VERSA5. Let's make this recital a memorable experience for all of our dancers!

