

So, you have questions about the Dance Gala?! We know that navigating all of this new information can be overwhelming or sometimes, even difficult. Well, we are here to help! Below you will find a list of frequently asked questions surrounding the Dance Gala from what it is to when it is! We are hoping that this information will help to answer any questions you may have.

1. What is Dance Gala?

Dance Gala is our end of season dance recital. The Dance Gala is a way for us to celebrate your dancer and their hard work. Dancers that participate in the Dance Gala are introduced to the performing aspect of dance which can help to foster a sense of pride and self accomplishment. Ultimately, the Dance Gala is a special way for us to culminate the season with a live performance and celebrate each dancer and their accomplishments!

2. What will my dancer wear?

Dancers will wear their class costume for the in studio dress rehearsal and the Dance Gala. Dancers do not need to wear their costume to the tech rehearsal. Dancers should wear dance attire for the tech rehearsal and have the appropriate shoes for their class dances.

- BTC dancers- tan tap shoes
- BT dancers- pink ballet shoes
- BTJ dancers- tan jazz shoes
- YDP Hip Hop- black speakers including the sole (no white)
- YDP Acro- bare feet

If you need to purchase the correct shoes for your dancer, here is the link to our online store. Once purchased we can fit your dancer for the appropriate size:

<https://www.thatsdancing.com/onlinestore?category=YOUNG+DANCER+PROGRAM>

3. What do I need to do to help my dancer prepare?

Encouraging your dancer to practice at home is a great way to help them prepare! Having family members watch as an audience is also helpful. Instructional downloads of your child's dance will also be available for purchase in our online store on our website (applies to Young Dancer Program only). We highly encourage parents to purchase this digital download to help your dancer practice at home!

4. What does Gala/Media fee include?

This fee includes a digital program, a participation medal, and professional videography of your dancer's performance. You will have access to all of the Gala videos and they will be available approximately 3-4 weeks after the event.

5. Who will chaperone my dancer backstage?

Our Young Dancer Program dancers are chaperoned backstage by backstage volunteers and That's Dancing faculty members. Dancers are never left unattended and the backstage chaperones along with That's Dancing faculty members and our Student Ambassadors, will make sure that your dancer makes it to the backstage area in time to perform. Dancers are then escorted back to their dressing room where they will wait to line-up for the Finale. Dancers can be signed out after the finale at the designated sign in/sign out area. Keeping your

dancer safe backstage is of the utmost importance to us, therefore, no parents or guardians are permitted backstage unless they have a backstage volunteer pass for that particular show. The doors to the backstage area remain locked for the entirety of the show. If you are interested in volunteering backstage, please use this link:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090A48AAAE28A75-48863312-dance#/>

6. Where do I find out more information about the Dance Gala?

Please visit our website <https://www.thatsdancing.com/dance-gala> for all of your Dance Gala 2024 related questions. If you can't find the answer to your question on our website, feel free to send us an email or give us a call and someone will get back to you.

7. When is the Dance Gala?

Gala 2024 is scheduled for June 1st and 2nd with our in studio dress rehearsal happening May 13th-18th and our on location tech rehearsal scheduled to take place May 29th and 30th.

8. Where is the in studio dress rehearsal held?

The in-studio dress rehearsal is held at That's Dancing during your dancer's regularly scheduled class time. Dancers should come in costume. Parents will be invited in to the last 20 minutes of their dancer's class to observe and receive info about the tech rehearsal and Dance Gala.

9. When and where is the tech rehearsal?

Tech rehearsal for our Young Dancer Program is scheduled for Thursday, May 30th at 4pm. Parents should plan to arrive by 3:45pm to ensure they have enough time to check their dancer in. Tech rehearsal is held at West Boca High School.

Address to West Boca High School: 12811 Glades Rd, Boca Raton, FL 33498

10. Where is the Dance Gala?

Dance Gala 2024 will be held at West Boca High School.

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All Gala info including show dates and times can be found here:

<https://www.thatsdancing.com/dance-gala>

11. Why is it important for my dancer to participate?

The Dance Gala is a great way for your child to showcase their talents and all of the hard work they have put into this art form. Performing helps dancers build confidence in a positive and non-judgmental environment while offering a safe space to express themselves. Through dance, performers can focus, process and release their emotions in a way that is helpful for managing mental health. Even our youngest dancers benefit from performing in front of their family members and friends!

12. What do parents do during tech rehearsal?

Tech rehearsal is at West Boca High School. Dancers should be dropped off and picked up at the designated sign in/sign out area. Parents can go to the lobby at this time to pick up any pre-ordered Dance Gala merchandise like shirts and trophies. Snacks and drinks will also be available for purchase in the lobby.

All Young Dancer Program (BTC, BT, BTJ, YDP Hip Hop, YDP Acro)	Arrive By 3:45pm	BTC approximate finish by 4:45pm BT approximate finish by 5:15pm BTJ approximate finish by 5:30pm YDP Hip Hop approximate finish by 5:30pm YDP Acro approximate finish by 5:30pm
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12. What should I expect for the in-studio dress rehearsal?

Our in-studio dress rehearsal is scheduled to take place during our last week of classes, May 13th-18th. Please have your dancer come to class in their Gala costume with the appropriate dance shoes and hairstyle. It is not necessary to apply stage makeup for the in-studio dress rehearsal but if your dancer would like feedback on stage makeup application, they are welcome to wear it. During the last 20 minutes of these classes, we are allowing 2 guests per dancer in to receive the information needed to move into Dance Gala week. Please refrain from bringing young children to this dress rehearsal. We will address any costume issues and answer any questions that you might have about Tech Rehearsal and Gala. While we encourage you to attend, it is not a problem if you cannot. A follow-up email will be sent with information with notes from dress rehearsal and information regarding tech rehearsal at West Boca Community High School auditorium. Please make sure you have a correct email on file in your portal.

13. Does everyone need a ticket for the Dance Gala?

Yes, everyone attending the Dance Gala in person will need a ticket. Families with dancers in multiple shows, will have to purchase tickets for each show they wish to attend. A livestream link will be available for purchase for each show as well. To purchase tickets for Dance Gala 2022, click here:

<https://www.tix.com/ticket-sales/thatsdancing/4381>

That's Dancing is striving to create a Dance Gala experience that is safe and fun for every dancer participating. Thank you so much for trusting us with your dancer's arts education and for allowing us to be a part of your child's journey.

For more information and to stay up to date on all Gala happenings, please visit our website www.thatsdancing.com and give us a follow on Facebook: That's Dancing and Instagram: @thatsdancingdotcom