



What's Up at APA...

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Rehearsals June 13-16

Rehearsals at Green Hope High School are TECHNICAL rehearsals—this means that they are not dress rehearsals. Dancers should wear appropriate dancewear and shoes, but NOT their costumes. We don't want to risk getting any costumes dirty or losing any costume pieces!

Dancers should arrive 15 minutes prior to stage time. Please check the schedule carefully for your dancer's time: www.apanc.com/pages/pdfs/apanc_rehearsal_schedule.pdf

When you arrive at Green Hope High School, go through the cafeteria and enter the auditorium. Find a seat with your dancer's classmates and wait for their group to be called. One group will be practicing on stage and another will be getting ready so that we can keep the rehearsal moving along efficiently.

Feel free to video tap or take pictures during the rehearsal. Videotaping and flash photography are not allowed during the recital. After the rehearsal, take some time to help your dancer get comfortable backstage.

For directions to Green Hope High School: <http://greenhopehigh.wcpss.net/directions.htm>

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Fall Classes

Register now for fall classes!

Classes are filling quickly.

We are offering pre-dance, tap, ballet, jazz, hip hop, and contemporary.

New for the fall: Mommy & Me, acro, dance fit, cheer, pom, and tech.

For descriptions of each class and the full schedule, go to:

<http://www.apanc.com/pages/pdfs/Fall%202011%20Class%20Schedule.pdf>

We will also be offering Adult Fitness Classes during most classes in the evening. More information will be available on the website closer to the start of the fall.

Let us know if you have any questions.

SUMMER at APA

We have many options for fun this summer at APA!

- Preschool for the Arts Camp
- Princess Dance Camp
- Rock Star Camp
- SYTYCD Camp
- Dancers Boot Camp
- Extreme Dance Workshop

See http://www.apanc.com/pages/pdfs/apanc_summer_info_sheet.pdf

Discounts available for siblings. Camps fill quickly. Call for additional information: 367-7210.

Special points of interest:

- Last Day of Class
June 10
(if you are not participating in the recital this year, your last week of classes is June 6-10)
- Tech Rehearsals
June 13-16
- Recital
June 18

Recital DOs

How to have the best recital experience:

1. Read the recital handbook.
2. Label all costumes, parts, shoes.
3. Fix hair / makeup before coming to Green Hope.
4. Pack a few quiet (NOT MESSY) activities for backstage (cards, crayons/coloring books, books).
5. Arrive 30 minutes before your show time.
6. Encourage your dancer to use the restroom one more time.
7. Go directly backstage and locate your dancer's Stage Mom.
8. Assist dancer with costume and shoes.*
9. Find your seats.
10. Turn off cell phones.
11. Sit back and enjoy the show!
12. Pick up your dancer backstage after the finale.
13. Ensure that you have all your dancer's belongings including costume pieces and shoes.

*You are welcome backstage during the recital to help your dance change for his or her next dance. However, we encourage you to return to your seat quickly. Backstage is crowded and we want you to enjoy the show!

Recital DON'Ts

We all want to have the most enjoyable recital possible. So, please keep these guidelines in mind during the recital.

1. No food or drink backstage or in the auditorium. Dancers can have bottled water if needed backstage. But no juice or soda and no snacks.
2. No males (including Dads and brothers) are allowed backstage with the dancers. There is a separate dressing area for our male dancers and our wonderful Dancing Dads.
3. No flash photography or videoing is allowed during the recital.
4. No talking during the dancing.
5. No moving around the auditorium during the dancing. Please wait until the end of a dance to leave or enter the auditorium.



Preschool at APA



APA operates a half-day pre-school programs for 2-3 year olds and 3-4 year olds for 2, 3, or 5 days a week.

All programs run from 9am-12pm and encourage creativity, development of fine and gross motor skills, and a strong foundation for future education.

To meet our goal of providing a creative, safe, encouraging, and friendly environment, we maintain a strict student-teacher ratio of 5:1 for 2-3 year olds and 7:1 for our 3-4 year olds.

We offer traditional classroom activities as well as:

- Dance
- Music
- Song
- Visual art
- Creative play

We provide a healthy snack and ample social and play time.

For more information, call the studio at 367-7210 or email Meredith at mlbasnight@yahoo.com



Recital Information



When in doubt, check it out:

http://www.apanc.com/pages/current_students/current_recitals.html

On our recital page, you will find:

- Rehearsal schedule
- Recital times and line ups
- Directions to Green Hope HS
- Recital Handbook

Also, keep checking the white board for updates.

Please arrive 30 minutes before the show and drop off your dancer backstage. No need to come any earlier. We run 4 shows on recital day and if you arrive earlier, another show may still be going on.

Recital Tickets

Tickets for the recital are purchased online with a credit card by clicking on the ticket icon at

http://www.apanc.com/pages/current_students/current_recitals.html

Tickets are \$10 and you pick your assigned seats. Any seat in the auditorium will give you great views.

You need to know which show your dancer is in and the exact number of tickets you need (there is no limit, but we can't guarantee that if you purchase tickets at separate times that they will be near each other). Small children who will sit in laps do not need tickets.

Get ready for a great show!



APA Company

If your dancer is dedicated, talented, and (you are both) ready to commit more time to dance, then please see our Company information page at: http://www.apanc.com/page/current_students/current_company.html

Company Auditions for 2011-2012 will be held on Saturday, July 23.

Thanks for a Great Dance Year

We thank you for being part of APA this year. We are looking forward to our new studio in the fall and hope your dancer will be joining us again for classes.

Thank you for sharing your children with us this year. We hope you will be impressed when you see the results of all the work that they have

done over the past 10 months.

If you have never been to a dance recital before, we want you to know that it is completely appropriate to cheer during the show. Please feel

free to applaud when you see something you like! Our dancers love the audience response.

Have a wonderful summer and hope to see you all again soon!



"Dance, Dance, Dance till you drop." ~W. H. Auden



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Looking for information?

When contacting the studio, please direct your questions to the proper person in order to get a faster response. Also, when calling the studio, the best time to reach us is during the evenings. Otherwise, leave a voicemail message or send an email.

- Meredith Basnight - Recreational Class Coordinator
mlbasnight@yahoo.com Meredith can help with scheduling, classroom issues, make ups, costumes, birthdays, and other general questions.
- Melissa Quirk - Office Coordinator
Melissa_apa@bellsouth.net Melissa can help with all things money. If you have questions about tuition, charges to your card, credits, coupons, or discounts, contact her.
- Hillary Parnell - Director
hillary@apanc.com Please contact Hillary if you have any other questions or would like information about Company.

The Academy for the Performing Arts (APA) is dedicated to providing a creative environment for learning and growing through the art of dance. Through the many disciplines of dance we offer, students build self-confidence, can become more assertive and learn leadership skills that help prepare them for their futures. Our programs are highly individualized; every dancer feels like part of the family. Dancing at APA is educational, rewarding, but most of all, FUN!

Important Reminders

All APA Members

- Check for info on the whiteboard.
- Please write names on all dance gear in indelible marker.
- The *Lost and Found* is located in the locker room.
- Regular office and phone hours are M-Th from 10am-8pm and Friday 10am-6:30pm. Either leave a message or make an appointment if you need to speak with Hillary outside of office hours.
- Anyone who misses a class may make up that class by taking a similar one at a different time. Doing this is the student's/parent's responsibility.
- All class changes must be formally done so through the office
- If you need any dance gear, go to Releve Dancewear (www.relevedancewear.com) in Cary or visit Discount Dance Supply at www.discountdance.com
- All food and drink, except for water, must be consumed in the locker room
- Only water is allowed in the classrooms
- Parking can be a challenge. Please remember that APA members may park in any public lot.
- Do not stop, wait, or park in handicapped spots without a handicap permit.

Youngest Dancers (3-7 years)

- Dancers must use the facilities and get a drink of water BEFORE class starts.
- Make sure your dancer is actually in the correct class before leaving the premises.
- Tap ties are a must for dancers wearing patent leather (shiny) tap shoes.

Elementary School (7-11 years)

- Appropriate dance clothing and correct shoes are a must in class
- Long hair must be secured out of the way

Middle/High School (11-18 years)

- Please arrive 10-15 minutes prior to class time in order to stretch