

# STUDIO 55

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## Date and Location:

We are so eager to share with you a few details about our 2023 dance recital! **Our recital will be taking place on May 20th, 2023, with dress rehearsals on the 18th, and 19th (after school). We are also excited to announce that our recital will be taking place in a new venue. We will be performing at the auditorium at Western High School** (located at 1400 South Dearing Road, Parma, MI 49269)! We have been grateful for the many years that we have used the auditorium at Davis Middle School, but we have quickly outgrown the space. We are also craving a true performance space that will give our dancers a full recital experience. Western Auditorium has a handful of awesome bonuses that will take our dancers' experiences to the next level! Just a few awesome things that Western includes:

- Dressing rooms for dancers (instead of one big gym, creating a safer and more enjoyable backstage experience).
- 3 digital screens for backdrops
- Colored lighting & spotlights
- A performance stage (it is also a newer stage, so students won't be dancing on the rough wood stage, snagging their tights and costumes)
- Sound technicians and lighting directors (this means more of our staff will be available to help you and your dancers!)
- Large parking lot (no more trying to find a space to park on the street!)
- A newer facility (this means better seats for you and an overall safer space for your dancers)
- Just a bonus...it's close to Jackson! Enjoy a nice dinner after your dancer performs!

Many of our teachers, including myself, have performed on this stage. We know what a great facility it is, and we can't wait for our dancers to experience it! This is about a 35 minute drive from the studio, but I promise you that it is worth every extra minute! Thank YOU for supporting the growth of our studio, the arts, and most importantly, the growth of your child's experiences!

This photo is of the stage and seating at Western! Located at 1400 South Dearing Road, Parma, MI 49269



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## Basic Details (more to come!):

For those of you who are brand new to Studio 55 recitals...welcome and we're here for you! Here is some information to help break down a few more details about our shows. We have two shows on Saturday, one show at 1pm and one show at 6pm. We have two dress rehearsals that correspond with the shows. Students in the 1pm show will come to the Thursday dress rehearsal while students in the 6pm show will come on Friday. More specifics regarding who is in what show will come soon! Students in Daisy Dancers, Intro, Level 1, & Level 2 classes will perform in one show while students in Levels 3 & 4 will perform in both shows. If students are in one show, they will come to their corresponding dress rehearsal, if they are in both they must come to both rehearsals.

It is expected that all students will participate in the recital. Think of it similarly to your child attending all of their sports practices but not attending the games. Performing is a **major part** of being a dancer. It teaches confidence, self expression, and allows your child the chance to showcase all of their hard work they've poured into this season of dance! If you've ever spent a weekend driving around for sports events, please remember that this is the same thing (but only happens once a year!).

## Theme:

For those that don't know, our recitals are always themed. All of our classes will have dances that incorporate the theme and have corresponding costumes. This year's theme is SO. MUCH. FUN!! But we're not going to give it away...just yet!!

We will be posting clues on our social media pages, and in the studio! We will have a drop box in our studio where you can enter your guesses based on the clues given. Parents, guardians, and students are all allowed to participate. If we have someone who guesses the theme correctly, they will receive a free recital tee shirt!

Thanks again for your continued support. By being a part of Studio 55, you are helping the arts flourish in our small community, while also giving your child skills that will last a lifetime. We appreciate you!! Again, more details are to follow as we get closer to our show. For now, if you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact us!

Give us a call, or send us a text or an email. We're here for you!

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