

2025 Recital Information

Elower-Sicilia Productions is proud to present our 56th Annual Dance Recital **ESP Finds Wonderland!**
Held on **Saturday June 14, 2025** at the [Weinberg Center for the Arts](#) at **1:00 PM and 6:00 PM.**

All dancers are required to participate in both shows.

This information packet contains everything you need to know about the big day!

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to email us. This information is also available on the website under the [Recital Information](#) tab.

Email: esppofficemanager123@gmail.com

Website: www.espdancestudio.com

Please be sure that you have joined the studio REMIND group in order to receive recital updates!
To join text @espdan to 81010 or search ESP Dance on the REMIND app.

TICKETS for the show may be purchased online directly from the Weinberg Center Box Office at *~link coming soon!~* Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$12 for students and seniors (62+). Details about seating and tickets can be found through the [Weinberg Center](#) website. *Please note that it is reserved seating and tickets are required for both shows.*

TECH REHEARSAL WEEK:

June 9th-12th: Tech Rehearsal Week at ESP Dance Studio

Schedule:

Monday & Wednesday:

- Warm-up Levels 2-4 ONLY: 4:00-5:00 PM (arrive at 3:45 PM)
- Dances #1-21: 5:00-8:00 PM

Tuesday & Thursday:

- Warm-up Levels 2-4 ONLY: 4:00-5:00 PM (arrive at 3:45 PM)
- Dances #22-38: 5:00-8:00 PM

******PRE-DANCE 1, 2 and PRE-DANCE TUMBLING SCHEDULE FOR TECH WEEK ******
Pre-Dance 1 attend ONLY on Tuesday, June 10th from 4:00-4:45 PM
Pre-Dance 2 and **Pre-Dance Tumbling** attend ONLY on Monday, June 9th from 4:00-4:45 PM

Notes for Tech Rehearsal Week-

- There will be no regularly scheduled classes during Tech Rehearsal Week. The Tech Rehearsal Week schedule replaces the regular schedule.
- Please refer to the **Order of Dances** document to determine when dancers need to be at rehearsal.
- Attendance at Tech Rehearsal Week rehearsals is required so dancers can prepare for the show.

Drop-Off for Tech Rehearsal Weeks:

- Drop & go at the side door of the Studio without blocking the road or alley. If you need to park to drop off your dancer please park in the spots behind the studio, on the street out front of the studio, or in the free municipal parking lot behind PNC Bank and walk over. The spots next to Country Kitchen are reserved for restaurant customers.

Pick-Up for Tech Rehearsal Weeks:

- Pick up from the front door of the Studio. Once again, please do not park and/or block the road or alley. Please park in the spots behind the studio, on the street out front of the studio, or in the free municipal parking lot behind PNC Bank and walk over. The spots next to Country Kitchen are reserved for restaurant customers.

DRESS REHEARSAL:

June 13th (Friday): Dress Rehearsal at the Weinberg Center for the Arts

Schedule:

- 3:00 PM - Lead dancers arrive
- 4:00 PM - Pre Dance 1, 2 and Pre Dance Tumbling arrive
- 4:30 PM - All other dancers arrive
- 5:30 PM - Pre-Dance 1, 2 and Pre Dance Tumbling dismissed
- Approximately 8:00-8:30 PM - All other dancers dismissed (updates re: dismissal times, etc. will be communicated via the REMIND group)

Please make sure that your contact information and emergency contact information is up to date in Studio Director prior to dress rehearsal.

Dress Rehearsal is closed to the public. No parents or guests will be permitted in the auditorium during the rehearsal.

Arrival for Dress Rehearsal: All dancers should be dropped off at the backstage doors of the Weinberg Center located on Citizens Way. Dancers should arrive performance ready with hair and make-up done, wearing their tights (if applicable), base leotards and cover-ups, with all of their costumes and dance shoes. **Please send a cover up with your dancer that they can wear to and from rehearsal and while not dancing.*

Only dancers and ESP Staff are permitted in the backstage area. Please be prepared to drop off your dancer and return for pick up. Parents are not able to wait in the Weinberg Center lobby.

Parking is available in the Court Street Parking deck.

Information re: directions and parking can be found at <https://weinbergcenter.org/directions/>

Space is limited backstage so dancers should come as ready as possible and with only the items needed for the show. *The studio is not responsible for lost or damaged items.* Please consider sending in a mesh/collapsible hamper with your dancer and putting costumes in a garment bag and putting accessories in labeled ziplock bags. These are helpful to keep costumes together and for quick changes.

****Please LABEL ALL ITEMS****

Dismissal for Dress Rehearsal: Dismissal from Dress Rehearsal will be through the backstage doors on Citizens Way. Dancers are responsible for hanging up their costumes, straightening up the dressing rooms, and re-setting for the show before leaving and will not be dismissed until their costumes, etc. are ready for the performance (please be patient as this sometimes takes a little bit). Dancers will wear their base leotard, tights and cover-ups home. *All costumes and dance shoes will remain at the Weinberg Center.*

SNACKS: No outside food is permitted backstage. Snacks will be provided for dancers (please let us know in advance of any allergies). The only beverage permitted backstage is water. Dancers should bring their own **filled and clearly labeled** water bottle.

HAIR: Dancers should have hair parted neatly down the middle in a low ponytail with a braid. Hair should be slicked back off the face with gel and/or hairspray to keep hair neat and to prevent frizz and flyaways.

MAKE UP: Make up is necessary for all dancers to avoid a washed-out look under the bright stage lights. Please use the items listed below & the makeup tutorial as a guide -

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YrRF5fb7nzg>

- Dancers should use at the minimum eyeshadow (shades of brown, tan, cream), blush (shades of rose/pink), black mascara, and red lipstick. Dancers may also want to use foundation, black eyeliner, and pressed powder to finish the look.

****For safety purposes jewelry is not permitted. This includes earrings of any kind, bracelets, watches, rings, etc.****

No nail polish or toe polish may be worn for the performance.

RECITAL DAY:

June 14th (Saturday): Recital at Weinberg Center for the Arts:

Show Schedule:

1:00 Show - Dancer arrival time 11:45 AM

6:00 Show – Dancer arrival time 4:45 PM

Arrival for the 1:00 Show: Just as for Dress Rehearsal, all dancers should be dropped off at the backstage doors of the Weinberg Center located on Citizens Way **at 11:45 AM**. Dancers should arrive performance ready with hair and make-up done, wearing their tights, base leotards and cover-ups. Only dancers and ESP Staff are permitted in the backstage area. Please be prepared to drop off your dancer and go.

Dismissal after the 1:00 Show: Dancers will be dismissed from the stage right auditorium doors after the first show. Dancers are responsible for hanging up their costumes, straightening up the dressing rooms, and re-setting for the next show before leaving and will not be dismissed until their costumes, etc. are ready for the 6:00 PM performance (please be patient as this sometimes takes a little bit). Dancers will be dismissed in their base leotards, tights and cover-ups.

****Reminder:** No outside food or drinks are permitted backstage. If dancers get food in-between shows they must finish it before returning to the Weinberg and will not be able to bring it back into the venue.

Arrival for the 6:00 Show: Dancers will be checked back in through the backstage doors of the Weinberg Center for the 6:00 performance **at 4:45 PM**.

Dismissal after the 6:00 Show: Dismissal after the final show will be from the stage right auditorium doors. Please be patient as we make sure everyone has all their belongings and the dressing rooms are cleaned up.

Base Biketard, Tights, Shoes and Under Garment Information:

Base Biketards: All dancers (with the exception of Pre-Dance 1, Pre-Dance 2, and Pre-Dance Tumbling) will be given a black biketard that serves as the base for all of their costumes.

Tights: Dancers in ***Pre-Dance 1 and Pre-Dance 2*** will need at least one pair of tan footed tights - [Capezio Girls Ultra Soft Tights - Caramel \(sizes 2-6\)](#). It is recommended that dancers have an extra pair of tights as they will need them for dress rehearsal and the show, and as a back-up in case something happens to the original pair. **Please note - when purchasing tights be sure that the color is caramel.*

Shoes: Please use the list below for shoe requirements

- Tap –
 - Levels 1 & 2 – Tan tap shoes w/ buckles
 - Levels 3 & 4 – Black tap shoes w/ laces
 - Levels 5 - 7 - Any color tap shoes
- Ballet – Pink canvas ballet shoes
- Jazz – Tan jazz shoes

- Hip Hop – White sneakers
- Lyrical – Foot paws
- Acro – No shoes
- Pre-Dance 1 & 2 –
 - Tap – Tan tap shoes w/ buckles
 - Ballet – Pink ballet shoes

Dance Bras: Dance bras are *strongly recommended* for all dancers ages 8 and up. This is because dance bras are not simply for support but serve as coverage under costumes in the bright lights of the stage. Dance bras should be nude w/ clear straps and can be purchased from [Footlights Dance Boutique](#) in Frederick or ordered online from [Amazon](#). If you have questions about purchasing a dance bra, please feel free to contact the studio office.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

PHOTOGRAPHY and VIDEO RECORDING ARE NOT PERMITTED DURING THE RECITAL For the safety of the dancers and protection of choreography rights NO photography or recording is permitted. Please be respectful of this request. *All ESP families* will receive a full digital recording of the show by local professional photographer and videographer Mike Miller, as well action shots and candid behind the scenes pictures. Check Mike out on Instagram at [mikemiller.photography](#) and on Facebook at Mike Miller Photography for examples of his work.

SAFETY For your child’s safety, there will be backstage helpers and ESP Staff attending to them during dress rehearsal and the show. Please remind your dancer of the importance of listening and following directions. Thank you!

June 16th: 2025-2026 ESP Performing Company Auditions!

Contact Company Director Toni Marceron at tonimarceronesp@gmail.com for details.

Summer Session: July 1st - August 7th

Summer Camps!

Wonderland Camp - June 9th-12th (ages 3-6)

Hip Hop Camp - June 30th-July 3rd (ages 7-10)

SuperHero Camp - July 14th-17th (ages 3-6)

Swifties Camp - July 21st-24th (ages 7-10)

Wicked Camp - July 28th-31st (ages 7-10)

Bluey Camp - August 4th-7th (ages 3-6)

For more information and to register go to www.espdancestudio.com