

Principle Dance invites you to participate in

Spin

Saturday June 1st, 2019

Dominican University's Lund Auditorium in River Forest

What is the storyline for *Spin*?

Written and directed by Ms. Shari, *Spin*, an original story ballet for our younger dancers, is about a girl named Melody and her imaginary friend, DJ Scratch, who helps her find the confidence to audition for a coveted spot at the Dance Academy. Melody, like all of us at one time or another, has never been the star. Can she turn things around? Each class will have a special role to play in this wonderful show!

Why should we consider this opportunity?

Dance is a performance art, and performance is the culmination of the hours spent in the studio practicing technique. This experience develops poise and self esteem. The transition from the comfort of the studio to the magic of the stage is where artistry truly comes into play. Principle Dance strongly encourages all students to participate in our annual performance in order for them to enjoy the complete dance experience. It is also very rewarding for parents, friends, and teachers to witness the progress that students make within a year of dedication to dance.

What is the time commitment?

Students planning to perform in the June recital are required to attend their regularly scheduled class consistently. Each class is learning a different dance for the performance, so students must attend their own class to learn the proper choreography they'll be performing on stage. If the instructor determines a student has been excessively absent, the student will not be permitted to perform.

There are some additional **MANDATORY REHEARSALS** that will take place outside of class time. For most students, this consists of Scene Rehearsal on Saturday May 4th, Dress Rehearsal on Thursday, May 30th, and the Performance on Saturday, June 1st. Please see the schedule below and mark your calendar.

Important Dates:

- Monday, January 28th** Recital & Costume Fees due.
- Monday, March 11th** Recital tickets go on sale online and at Principle Dance.
- Saturday, May 4th** Scene Rehearsals @ Principle Dance *
- Thursday, May 30th** **Dress Rehearsal** @ Dominican University *
- Saturday, June 1st** **Performance** @ Dominican University at 10:30 a.m.

*Specific rehearsal times TBA

How much will it cost?

Costumes:

We will use the students' class uniforms as a base for some costumes. (Note dress code in the brochure and on the website.) Details and accessories such as a tutu, skirt, pants, wings, a tunic, crown, etc. will be added to make the dancers feel special as they perform on stage. Most dance studios charge a costume fee of \$50.00 - \$70.00 per class. Principle Dance makes an effort to make recital participation affordable for families by allowing students to instead rent costumes at a lesser fee.

Each student will pay a costume rental fee for each class in which they are enrolled. Performers with lead roles will pay a costume fee for each additional role requiring a different costume* The costume fee will cover the cost of materials, sewing, renting, cleaning, organizing, cataloging, storing, and purchasing of costumes. **These costumes and accessories are the property of Principle Dance and must be returned after the performance.**

*Since we are holding an audition for lead roles this year, lead fees (costume & rehearsal) will be assessed to those students once casting has been announced. See additional info on rehearsal fee below.

Costume fees are as follows:

\$25.00 each Joy of Movement, Creative Movement, Discover Dance,
Tap Rhythm & Rhyme, Pre-Ballet 1

\$30.00 each Pre-Ballet 2, Jazz 1, Ballet 1, Tap 1-2

Production Fee: \$45.00 per student

This fee helps to cover the cost of auditorium rental, crew, lighting, sound, and programs. Two adult tickets to the show are included in this fee.

Recital fees are being applied to your account next week. To pay online, log into your portal account the same way you would to register for class, and select Pay Now under My Account. ***Families that have signed up for auto-pay will have their fees automatically charged to their card on file on January 28th unless they inform the office that they will not be participating in recital.***

Lead Rehearsal Fee: \$50.00 per featured role

This fee helps cover a portion of the cost of paying teachers to rehearse additional choreography outside of regular class time from February through May. Private or small group lessons cost as much as \$100 per hour. We are offering lead and featured dancers focused attention in very small groups on multiple occasions for \$50.00.

Lead Rehearsal (per below) and Costume fees (per above) will be applied to those students' accounts on Tuesday, February 19th after casting has been announced and will be due on Monday, February 25th.

Tickets:

Remember, two tickets are included in the recital production fee paid per student. Additional tickets will go on sale at the studio Monday, March 11th and are first come, first serve. Principle Dance uses online ticketing through Yapsody.com. You will need to print out all tickets purchased and bring them with you to the show. Individual promo codes to claim your two tickets will be handed out to students in class the week before ticket sales opens. Please be sure to claim your tickets ASAP. Advanced tickets are **\$16.00**. Tickets bought at the door the day of the show are **\$20.00**.

Performance Location:

Dominican University Lund Auditorium

Dominican University is located at 7900 W. Division St, River Forest, four miles north of Principle Dance. This auditorium is wonderful for our students because the theater is spacious, air conditioned and has ample free parking!!

Please Note: All Dancers must remain backstage for the entire performance.

All audience members will be seated on the main floor. Dancers may not sit in the audience.

Dancers with a long wait time may be allowed to sit with the class and backstage mom in the balcony and watch the show. (The balcony is considered "backstage".)

All dancers will participate in final bows at the end of the show.