

BESFI 2012 – SURVIVAL GUIDE

Costume Mistress Sue DiFiore thanks the moms and dads in advance for all their help. As the show is rapidly approaching, please check to ensure that your dancer has everything they will need for the performance. Now is the time to check the fit and condition of your dancer's character shoes and pointe shoes.

We will be asking for volunteers for both the dress rehearsal weekend and the performances at the Staller Center. It is very important that all pieces of the costumes are put away properly, so please take a few extra minutes to ensure that your child has returned their costumes to the correct hanger, totes, etc. Following dress rehearsal, the costumes will be packed up and shipped to the Staller Center for the performances.

Dress Rehearsal In Studio:

Saturday, 3/24/12 2:30 P.M. Studio A – ACTS 1 & 2 (Includes Zhok and Persian)

Sunday, 3/26/11 – 12:00 Studio A – FOREST

Staller Center:

Tech Rehearsal, Wednesday 3/28 – 7:00 P.M. (Start), dancers doing pointe should arrive at 5:30 P.M. for warm-up class. Everyone else should arrive at 6:15 P.M. **SATURDAY CAST.**
Dancers only performing on Saturday should be in costume for tech rehearsal.

Dress Rehearsal, Thursday 3/29 – 7:00 P.M. (Start), dancers doing pointe should arrive at 5:30 P.M. for warm-up class. Everyone else should arrive at 6:15 P.M. **FRIDAY CAST.**

Performance:

Friday, 3/30 at 7:00 P.M. Dancers doing pointe should arrive at 5:00 P.M. for warm-up class, everyone else should arrive at 6:00 P.M.

Saturday, 3/31 at 2:00 P.M. Dancers doing pointe should arrive at 12:00 noon for warm-up class, everyone else should arrive at 1:00 P.M.

MAKE-UP - No make-up is needed for IN STUDIO for Dress Rehearsal; Make-up if required for Dress Rehearsal at Staller Center. Please be sure to follow the same rules for make up as we do in the Nutcracker, i.e. smudge proof lipstick, etc.

HAIR - please have a supply of bobbypins and hairspray; **HAIR NETS ARE REQUIRED, NUDE OR WHITE LEOTARD – Required** for under costumes.

BALLET SHOES/TIGHTS – please have required ballet shoes and tights for appropriate costume listed below. All dancers on pointe must use Knot Keepers or sew their ribbons...this will be strictly enforced! Please provide your dancer with Knot Keepers or a stitch kit.

COSTUMES REQUIREMENTS:

PERSIAN: “Persian” costume provided. Hair in high bun; short yellow pompoms in hair, longer pompoms in shoes (provided); pink tights and black ballet shoes with pink elastic.

ZHOK: “Zhok” costume provided. Black Leotard, black tights and character shoes. Hair should be in high bun; matching scrunchy (provided) goes around the bun.

FOREST

WATER – Blue unitard (provided); blue point shoes; pink tights; hair in bun with headband.

FIRE – Orange unitard (provided), red point shoes; pink tights; hair in bun with scrunchy around bun (provided).

SWANS – White tutu (provided), pink tights, pointe shoes, hair in bun with feather headband in hair.

TOURIST – White Shirt, Vest, Black Tights, Black shoes, Prop cigarette (provided)

TREES – Leotard green w/skirt (provided), hair in bun with wreath wrapped around the bun, leaves in hand, pink tights, pointe shoes.

GIRLFRIEND – Romantic Tutu (provided), pink tights, pointe shoes, hair in bun with wreath (provided)

BUTTERFLY – Black unitard (provided); pink tights, black pointe shoes; hair in high bun with headband (provided)

DEER – Brown unitard (provided) brown socks, brown pointe shoes, hair in bun with ears (provided)

BIRD – Blue unitard (provided) with hair in mid-bun with hat w/feather (provided), pink tights, point shoes

SNAKE - Black unitard (provided) black socks, black point shoes, hair in high bun with black head band (provided)

PAS – Costume (provided), ballet pink tights, pointe shoes (you know what you need for your performance)

HINT FOR CHARACTER SHOES – Please write your dancer's name or initials inside the character shoe with a sharpie marker – this way is they get mixed-up or misplaced in the dressing rooms; you will be able to find the shoes easier.

IMPORTANT: THERE IS A PERFORMANCE AT 8 P.M. ON SATURDAY AT THE STALLER CENTER. THEREFORE, WE MUST VACATE THE DRESSING ROOM IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE PERFORMANCE ON SATURDAY. PLEASE BE SURE TO HAVE YOUR DRESSING ROOM CLEAN/EMPTY AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE.

Thank you and have a great performance!