

The Wonderful Wizard of Oz

Dear Parents,

I am planning a children's ballet based on the book *The Wonderful Wizard of Oz* (perhaps 40 minutes) that our dancers will perform April 28th. I love holding class demonstrations, so there will still be a time where you are welcome to sit in and watch a regular ballet class to see what we do! This performance is a wonderful and educational way to express our art and celebrate together the work and dedication of our beloved students. It also allows us to introduce them to the idea of telling a story through dance to an audience. All the pre-ballet and storybook ballet classes will have one role and dance. The older dancers might have two, depending on their character(s).

Many details are still in the works, so please keep reading the newsletter that I send via email. I am currently planning to hold the performance at Hidenwood Presbyterian Church, just as last year. I envision a kind audience of parents, grandparents, and closest friends. There will be no tickets sold, only RSVP for spaces. It is not intended to be a public event because of space limitations, but some friends will be welcome if space allows. Our school will work on choreography from now until performance time. Some will be done at the end of each class, but some might need extra practice on Saturday mornings or afternoons. I will give you more information about this as the date approaches. If you have a conflict with this time frame, kindly send me an email. Dancers will have the option to opt-out if that is what is best for your family. Levels 1-3 should expect to have some Saturday rehearsals. They will also rehearse on Saturday after Spring Break and before the performance date. Please let me know if this is a problem.

Thank you for your time and support! I am very excited to begin the journey to Oz. I hope that you will join us!

Warmly,
Miss Emily

