Dance For A Cause

DeMaira Dance Studios, Inc. is proud to present Dance For A Cause.

This is a new event we plan to produce each year! *Dance for a Cause* is a dance showcase. Part of the profits raised from the showcase will be donated to a non-profit organization or other needy organizations. This year we have chosen to support the **Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago.**

Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago provides some of the highest quality pediatric care. In 2017, they were ranked as the 7th best children's hospital in the country. Also, they are the only pediatric hospital in Illinois to be ranked by U.S. News & World Report in all 10 specialties. In fact, no other Illinois hospital scored higher in any one specialty area. Lurie Children's is also the only children's hospital in the state to make the "Best Children's Hospitals Honor Roll" for six years in a row.

Located in downtown Chicago on the campus of its academic partner, Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine, Lurie Children's provides superior pediatric care in a state-of-the-art hospital that offers the latest benefits and innovations in medical technology, family-friendly design and research through the Stanley Manne Children's Research Institute.

In 2017, Lurie Children's:

- Cared for more children than any other pediatric hospital in Illinois.
- Treated children from 51 countries and all 50 states.
- Conducted more than 1,500 patient-related research studies, including over 200 clinical trials. The health and well-being of children have been at the heart of the hospital's mission since 1882. Lurie Children's relies on philanthropic support to care for over 209,000 children each year. Learn more at luriechildrens.org.

Who can participate? All are welcome!

Any dance studio group (competition teams, performance groups, etc.), college, high school & grammar school dance & cheer teams, church dance groups, parent performing groups, independent dancers, etc.

What is performed?

Bring your own choreography, your competition team routines, your holiday show routines, your recital routines, etc. All styles of dance are welcome, ballet, contemporary, ethnic dance, hip hop, jazz, lyrical, tap & more! Please note that marley will not be put down and the showcase will be performed on the wooden stage floor.

Where is the event?

The event is being held at Dominican University 7900 Division St. in River Forest in the Lund Auditorium.

When is the event? Sunday, March 3rd, 2019. Showtime is 2:00pm

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Dance For A Cause Scholarship Opportunity:

In addition to donating part of the proceeds to a worthy cause, we are excited to announce that we plan to award a dance scholarship. The dance teachers from each dance studio, school, etc. are to nominate one of their performers for this scholarship. Send in the nomination form with your registration form. The scholarship will be for \$200. We will issue a check to your school for the scholarship and the winner will receive a gift certificate to use towards continuing their dance training at your dance school. The winner will be announced at the end of the showcase.

A few guidelines & notes:

- -Routines should be around three minutes. Solos should not be longer than two minutes. Music will need to be e-mailed and received by Feb. 16, 2019. Music can also be mailed in the form of a CD or USB port.
- -Each dance studio/school may register an unlimited number of routines.
- -No fire, glitter, confetti or large props that take time to set up and strike.
- -This is a family oriented production; costumes and music are to be appropriate for all ages.
- -It is general lighting.
- -There is no dress rehearsal.
- -Dressing rooms will be assigned. A minimum of one chaperone must stay with your group while in the dressing rooms.
- -The show order is assigned and will be released a week prior to the performance.
- -There is no ticket fee. The showcase is free and open to the public; it is general admission. Invite as many people as you like!
- -The performers will be allowed to watch the show from the balcony, if there is seating available. A minimum of one chaperone must stay with your group while in the balcony.
- -All performers will receive a ribbon for their participation.
- -Each studio/school will receive a certificate of appreciation for their participation.
- -Professional photos & videos will be available for purchase, more information will be available the day of the event.

Questions? Please feel free to call or e-mail:

DeMaira Dance Studios, Inc. 708-386-1833 e-mail: danceforacause@comcast.net

Registration forms, release forms and fees are to be mailed to:

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Oak Park, IL. 60302

Registration forms, release forms and fees are due by February 16, 2019.

Business or certified checks and money orders are to be made out to DeMaira Dance Studios, Inc. Call to make payment via credit card. 708-386-1833