



Recital Costume Picture Week

March 24th – 27th

During this week, 4th Day PHOTOGRAPHY will be taking individual and group pictures in each of your dancer's recital costumes. There are no dance classes these days, just pictures. The schedule is attached, and please pay close attention to all the information and directions provided below:

- **DRESSING ROOM:** The smaller room is used as a dressing room. Please plan on coming into the studio a little before or at your exact designated time to keep crowding to a minimum. Only 1 female adult may accompany your dancer into the dressing room, no siblings allowed, please. If your dancer is older and does not require assistance, please do not accompany them. Our staff will be available to help if needed. **For those with multiple costumes in a session – please change as quickly as possible so that we can keep each session moving!**
- **COSTUMES:** DO NOT wear your costumes to the studio – please change when you arrive. However, making sure your dancer has the correct pair of tights already on for their first picture will help speed things along. **Please make sure your dancer has the correct, clean, new tights and their costume is neat and unwrinkled. Girls, no panties under costumes! Do not forget all costume accessories as well!**
- **HAIR:** Hairstyles are your choice for picture day. However, I highly recommend a neat, pinned back bun or ponytail for your dance pictures as it provides a much cleaner and professional looking picture. Please note for the recital, all dancers will wear a low bun.
- **MAKEUP:** Please come with makeup ready, there will NOT be time to do it at the studio. Makeup is optional but recommended due to the bright lights and white background. Nails should be clean and polish free. No jewelry – small earrings are acceptable.
- **SHOES:** Please bring ALL dance shoes!! Ballet shoe ties must be triple knotted tight and the excess trim cut off. All shoes should be labelled with your dancer's name!!!
- Bring lots of bobby pins, safety pins, and hairspray.
- Please help keep the dressing room clean by picking up any trash you see – thanks!

PLEASE TURN PAGE OVER FOR THE ORDERING INSTRUCTIONS!!!

ORDERING INSTRUCTIONS

We are pleased that John-Mark Stephenson of 4thday PHOTOGRAPHY will again be photographing our studio portraits this year. John-Mark has been photographing dance studios in the Houston area for over fifteen years and has taken thousands of dance portraits. As a result, he is very familiar with what makes a great photo of our dancers and how to provide a wonderful experience for our dancers and their parents. We will have samples of 4th day dance portraits in our studio the week leading up to our picture week.

1. THERE IS NO NEED TO PRE-REGISTER.

However, make sure that the Studio has your CORRECT email and phone number.

2. COME IN FOR PICTURE WEEK ACCORDING TO THE SCHEDULE, HAVE BEAUTIFUL PORTRAITS TAKEN, AND THEN YOU ARE DONE!

3. WATCH YOUR EMAIL & TEXT

Approximately one week after the photo week has concluded, you will receive an email and text that your dancer's images are ready for on-line viewing! Follow the link in the email/text and you will see the images on-line.

4. THIS IS IMPORTANT

In order to get the images posted on-line as quickly as possible, the images you see will be straight out of the camera. NO EDITS.

As a result, you might see light stands, wires, hands, etc. in the image.

Do not worry about all of this. It will be removed.

Instead, focus on your dancer, their pose, and their smile. All ordered images will be fully edited and color-corrected for printing or digital display. They will look just like the finished pictures on display in our studio.

5. TIME TO BUY

Prints, button, statuettes, key fobs, baggage tags, stickers, and other items are all available for purchase through the site.

Digital images and digital packages are also available for purchase with discounts for multiple images.

6. WAIT FOR YOUR PICTURES TO COME IN THE MAIL (or your computer for digital orders!). Depending on order volume, it can take up to a week to receive your digital images and a touch longer for printed images.

7. MOST IMPORTANT OF ALL

If you have ANY questions about your images, gallery issues, ordering problems, time issues....ANYTHING AT ALL, reach out directly to John-Mark at 713-824-4422 or

jms@4thdayphotography.com. He will do his best to help you!

That really is all there is to it. Update your contact info with the studio, take beautiful dance portraits, watch your email/text, purchase on-line!