**BESFI 2015 SURVIVAL GUIDE**

**Costume Mistress Sue DiFiore** thanks the moms and dads in advance for all their help. We will be asking for volunteers for both the dress rehearsal weekend and the performances at the Staller Center. There will be a sign-up sheet posted in Studio A for both events. Following dress rehearsal, the costumes will be packed up and shipped to the Staller Center for the performances.

In addition, we will start to pack up the costumes as the dance is completed on Saturday. Please ensure that the costume is on the correct hanger. The costumes must be packed up and ready to be shipped back to the Studio. Any assistant packing costumes would be appreciated. If everyone helps we will finish packing up quickly.

**Just a reminder:**

Make-up should be similar to what you use for the Nutcracker. NO RED lipstick! The lipstick should be one or two shades darker than your natural lip color. Please ensure that the lipstick is smudge proof, to ensure that it does not come off on costumes.

Hair nets are REQUIRED for everyone with a bun. Remember your nude leotard for both in studio dress rehearsal and performance. Be sure to have enough bobbie pins, hair spray and knot keepers (for dancers on pointe).

**SEASONS**

**BLUE BIRD:** blue bird tutu, hair in bun, feather in hair, pink tights pointe shoes

**WEATHER**: Black Unitard, shear multi colored cape, primary color cape, hair in bun, pink tights, pink pointe shoes,

**ICE**: Silver tutu, silver crown, pink tights, hair bun, pointe shoes

**HAIL:**  blue snow tutu, silver crown, hair bun, pink tights, pointe shoes

**SNOW:**  Snow Queen Tutu, high silver crown, hair bun, pink tights, pointe shoes

**FROST:** tutu, silver crown, pink tights, pointe shoes

**SPRING:**  Pink Paquita tutus, floral decorations, small gold matching crowns, hair bun, pink tights, pointe shoes

**GNOMES:**  lavender unitards , small flower in hair, bun, pink tights, pink pointe shoes

**SUN:** White tutu w/gold sun or gold w/sun tutu, gold crown, hair bun, pink tights, pointe shoes

**RAIN:** blue shirt/sheer sleeve, blue cummerbund, white tights and white ballet shoes

**SUMMER:** Flowers romantic tutus w/wreaths, hair bun, pink tights, pink pointe shoes

**SUMMER BREEZE:**  Pink romantic tutu with pink applique, gold crown, bun, pink tights, pink pointe shoes

**AUTUMN:** Peach/orange tutu with sequence on top, hair bun, head piece, pink tights, pink pointe shoes.

**CORNFLOWERS:** blue dance dress, white flower in hair, bun, pink tights, pink pointe shoes.

**CARMEN**

Black ¾ sleeve leotard, red w/black dots skirt (provided), black tights, hair in bun w/red flower on side, black character shoes.

**PERSIAN**

Persian Costume (provided), hair in bun w/yellow pom poms on sides, pink tights, and black ballet shoes w/yellow pom poms at front.

**DANCE OF THE HOURS**

**DAY**: white romantic tutu with gold sun, gold crown, pink tights, pink pointe shoes, gold wand

**TIME**: black/white tutu, silver crown, hair in bun, pink tights, pink pointe shoes

**NIGHT:** Black romantic tutu w/black applique, silver crown, hair in bun, pink tights, pink pointe shoes, black piece of matching fabric

**CORPS**: Snow Tutus, hair in bun, snow crown, pink tights, pink pointe shoes

**COLOMBIANAS**

**CORPS**: Black Short Sleeve lace top leotard, skirt (provided) matching flower in hair on side of bun, matching fan (provided), black tights, black character shoes

**SOLOIST**: same as Corps.

**IMPORTANT:**

Please be sure to sign in at the theater when you arrive. Sign in sheets will be placed at the top of the stairs outside the stage door. This includes all of the cast, back stage dressers, and supervising parents.

For the safety of everyone, NO ONE is allowed backstage unless you are scheduled to be on stage or you have been assigned to work in the back stage area during rehearsals and performances. Unfortunately this applies to both dancers and their parents! There are a lot prop and scenery changes taking place and there is limited space. We thank you in advance for your cooperation!