



CELEBRATION 1

RECITAL PACKET 2025

Friday, May 23: 6:30pm
at the Whitaker Center

222 Market St, Harrisburg

This packet contains everything you need to know about show week, costumes, pictures, and beyond! Please read this thoroughly and keep it as a reference in weeks to come. An electronic version can be found on our website, or by scanning the QR code on this page.

All rehearsals for the week of May 18 will be held at the Whitaker Center.

Costume Details

Costume, tights, and hair information will be available in your parent portal, once all costumes have been distributed. Information will be listed below the pictures of your students' costumes. Find that information by logging on, and selecting:

Info > Costumes: Specific instructions will be listed under the costume picture.

To access your dancer's show music through your portal, select:

Info > Documents & Files > Class Music

Celebration 1: Spacing Rehearsal

To help dancers become familiar with this new performance venue, **we are running our spacing rehearsals differently than in past years.** We are running in show order, and dancers will wait in their assigned dressing rooms. Please also take special note of the new DROP OFF/DISMISSAL process, page 5.

- **REHEARSALS:** All rehearsals for the week of May 18 will be held at the Whitaker Center. *NO rehearsals will be held at HSDA.*
- **DROP OFF:** Dancers will enter through the backstage door located near 25 N Court St, Harrisburg. Parent drop off and car drop off will take place at this location. If you choose to park, please walk your dancer to the stage door listed above. Staff will greet dancers and guide them to their designated dressing room.
- **ARRIVAL TIME 4:45pm:** Please be prompt so that rehearsals can begin and end on time. We will run the spacing rehearsal in show order, and dancers will wait for their turn in their assigned dressing room. Please see page 5 for detailed pick up/drop off instructions.
- **DRESS CODE:** Please arrive in dress code with proper dance wear, hair, and shoes for all dances. *Costumes are not worn for spacing rehearsal.*
- **SUPPLIES:** Please send water, nut-free snacks, and some simple entertainment so the dancers can enjoy the time in dressing rooms with their friends.
- **NO VISITORS:** Parents, non-students, or non-volunteers are not permitted past the stage door; viewing rehearsals is not permitted.
- **DISMISSAL 7:15PM:** Dancers will be dismissed at the backstage door immediately following rehearsal. Please see the drop-off/pick up page for detailed instructions, and cut out your car tag for display. No student will be dismissed to a parent without the car tag. Please notify the office if additional car tags are needed for your family. Consider carpooling with other families to minimize traffic at pick up and drop off; remember to transfer your car tag!
- **PLEASE NOTE:** All dancers stay for the entire spacing rehearsal.

Celebration 1 Spacing Rehearsal - in show order

Tuesday May 20, 5:00-7:15pm

Arrival time 4:45pm*

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|------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. Thur 8:00 Jazz 6 | 13. Mon 5:30 Tap 3 |
| 2. Thur 5:15 Tap 4 | 14. Mon 6:30 Ballet 4 |
| 3. Wed 6:30 Ballet 3 | 15. Senior Dance |
| 4. Mon 5:30 Preteen Hip Hop | 16. Sat 9:00 Preteen Tap |
| 5. Tue 4:15 Street Jazz 2 | 17. Thur 5:15 Ballet 8 |
| 6. Wed 5:30 Hip Hop 2 | 18. Fri 6:30 Hip Hop 2 |
| 7. Mon 5:30 Preteen Ballet | 19. Mon 4:30 Hip Hop 3 |
| 8. Fri 5:30 Contemporary/Lyrical 1 | 20. Finale |
| 9. Wed 8:30 Contemporary/Lyrical 5 | |
| 10. Family Dance | |
| 11. Fri 4:30 Jazz 1 | |
| 12. Mon 4:30 Tap 10 | |

***Please note ALL rehearsals will be held at the Whitaker Center from 5/18-5/22. There will be NO classes at the dance studio.**

Celebration 1: Dress Rehearsal

Thursday May 22, 7:15-8:45pm

Arrival time: 7:00pm

Dress rehearsals run just like the show, with full hair and makeup, and in show order, but without an audience. **Please arrive promptly at arrival time** so that our rehearsals can start and finish on time, and our dancers can feel confident about the process.

- **ARRIVAL TIME 7:00pm:** Please bring your dancers to the backstage door of the Whitaker Center near 25 N Court St, Harrisburg dressed in their (first) costume, hair and makeup done. *All costume pieces, accessories, shoes, etc. should be labeled with the student's name or initials.*
- **BRING:** Plan to bring a dance bag or backpack containing all needed dance shoes, all costume pieces, additional tights, hair supplies, dry (not messy) snacks and water, and something clean to do for fun during down-time.
- **NOTE:** To make this practice as much like the actual show as possible, we will run in show order and students will wait in assigned dressing rooms. Dancers will stay for the entire rehearsal.
- **QUICK CHANGES:** Any dancer who has a “quick change” between two of their dances will receive detailed instructions and materials in the weeks leading up to the show to make that process smooth and successful. There will be helpers for quick changes. If you have not been designated a “quick change,” you will have time to return to your regular dressing room between dances.
- **BEFORE YOU LEAVE:** Dancers should check that every costume, shoe, and accessory is still in their possession. Any quick change materials should be retrieved from the quick change area.
- **DISMISSAL TIME 8:45pm:** At the backstage door, near 25 N Court St, Harrisburg. Please follow our drop-off/pick up procedures on page 5, and display your car tag.
- **AT HOME:** Check that your dancer has all their costume pieces, tights, and shoes. Organize and prepare them for the recital.

Celebration 1: Recital

Friday May 23 6:30pm

ARRIVAL TIME: 5:45pm

Show begins at 6:30pm on Friday, May 23. All dancers, regardless of what act(s) they perform in, are called at 5:45pm.

DROP OFF: Please follow the same drop-off procedure that was used for spacing and dress rehearsals. Families can then secure parking and enter the Whitaker Center through the main lobby entrance at 222 Market St, Harrisburg.

ARRIVAL TIME 5:45pm: Please be sure to bring dancers ready in their (first) costume, with hair and makeup done. Make sure they have all of the shoes and additional costume pieces they will need for their performances.

POST-RECITAL DISMISSAL: Following the recital, students will be brought by class to the **Whitaker Center lobby** for pick up. Any parents not in attendance at the recital should come inside the lobby for pick up.

MEMORIES:

- Families will be able to purchase HSDA merch and show gifts in the Whitaker Center lobby before the show and at intermission.
- Feel free to capture these special memories with photos, but NO flash photography, and NO videos may be taken during performances. Our show is being professionally recorded, DVDs and Digital Downloads will be available for preorder from Mack Video Productions. See order info included.

Drop-off/Pick Up Procedures

Rehearsals and Recital

STAGE DOOR LOCATION: Drop offs will take place at the stage door. While the stage door does not have its own address, it is located on the West side of the building, between Hilton and Whitaker with the door located on Court Street. The closest address is **25 N Court Street**. As you make your way to that address, you will see the large Whitaker loading dock & stage door just before Strawberry Street.

- All drop offs will take place at the stage door near 25 N Court St, Harrisburg.
- Please arrive at the designated arrival time for all rehearsals and the show.
- We ask parents to stay in their vehicles, and pull forward to the designated drop-off area. Students must exit their vehicle on the curb side, where helpers will be waiting to escort them to their class.
- Parents who prefer local street parking or garage parking should walk their child to the drop-off & pick up location.
- *Due to the volume of student drop-off and pick-ups, there may be a wait. Please plan accordingly and for everyone's safety do not pass other waiting vehicles.*
- For spacing and dress rehearsals, all pick ups will take place at the stage door near 25 N Court St, Harrisburg. Students will stay together with their classes inside the Whitaker Center while waiting for pick up. **Please stay in your vehicle, display your pick-up/dismissal car tag by hanging it from your rear view mirror, and pull forward to the pick-up location.** Staff members/helpers will bring your child to your vehicle. *Cut out the tag on the last page of your recital packet and add your dancer's last and first names as clearly as possible. Please notify the office if additional tags are needed.*
- Mark your car tag clearly with your family's name in bold lettering.
- If you choose to carpool, be sure your car tag transfers with your dancer's ride.
- Any student who is staying for consecutive rehearsals will stay in the building, and should report to the check in table for each subsequent rehearsal; dancers will not need to exit the building.
- Please pack a meal, adequate snacks, and hydration for long rehearsals. **Leaving to get food is not permitted.**
- **POST-RECITAL DISMISSAL:** Following the recital, students will be brought by class to the **Whitaker Center lobby** for pick up. Any parents not in attendance at the recital should come inside the lobby for pick up.

ACTION ITEMS: Cut out car tag, boldly write your family name, and display for all pick up and drop offs.

Recital Week in Summary

This is intended to be a quick look at the timing of the recital week schedule. Please refer to all sections above for full details on each day of our recital week.

Tuesday May 20: Spacing Rehearsal

- ARRIVE: 4:45, backstage door
- REHEARSAL: 5:00-7:15pm
- DISMISSAL: 7:15pm, backstage door
- WEAR: regular dance clothes/shoes.

Thursday May 22: Dress Rehearsal

- ARRIVE: 7:00pm, backstage door
- REHEARSAL: 7:15-8:45pm
- DISMISSAL: 8:45pm, backstage door.
- WEAR: Recital costume, with hair and makeup done and performance ready.

Friday May 23: Celebration 1 Recital

- ARRIVE: 5:45pm in costume, hair, and makeup.
- SHOW: 6:30pm.
- DISMISSAL: from LOBBY immediately following the show.

Whitaker Center Science for Science and Arts

222 Market Street
Harrisburg, PA 17101
(717) 214 - ARTS

Back Stage Door

Near ~

25 N Court Street
Harrisburg, PA 17101

Ticket Purchasing and Policy Information

Hershey School of Dance & Arts is engaging the professional services of the Whitaker Center box office and staff to sell our recital tickets. All tickets are subject to a \$5 service fee.

We would like all our recital patrons to be advised of the following information:

- **Tickets will go on sale April 11 at 10am to the public, for online purchase, box office sales, and phone orders.**
- **Tickets are \$20 plus a \$5 service fee.**
- **All seating is reserved. Hand held infants and toddlers in laps do not need a ticket.**
- **Please note: There are 4 separate shows, please note what show(s) your dancer is performing in and take care in selecting tickets to the proper show.**

There are three convenient ways to purchase tickets for **“celebrate!” 2025**

ONLINE SALES

On sale April 11 at 10am [HERE](#)

Available 24/7.

Service charge will be applied.

BOX OFFICE SALES

Whitaker Center Science for Science
and Arts
222 Market Street
Harrisburg, PA 17101

Friday-Monday 10am-5pm.

Service charge will be applied.

PHONE SALES

(717) 214 - ARTS

Service charge will be applied.

Seating Chart for reference [HERE](#)

Enjoy the show!

STAGE

Orchestra Pit Seating

Orchestra Level

Orchestra Box

Left

A1	B1	C1	D1	E1	F1	G1	H1	J1	K1
A2	B2	C2	D2	E2	F2	G2	H2	J2	K2
A3	B3	C3	D3	E3	F3	G3	H3	J3	K3
A4	B4	C4	D4	E4	F4	G4	H4	J4	K4
A5	B5	C5	D5	E5	F5	G5	H5	J5	K5
A6	B6	C6	D6	E6	F6	G6	H6	J6	K6
A7	B7	C7	D7	E7	F7	G7	H7	J7	K7
A8	B8	C8	D8	E8	F8	G8	H8	J8	K8
A9	B9	C9	D9	E9	F9	G9	H9	J9	K9
A10	B10	C10	D10	E10	F10	G10	H10	J10	K10
A11	B11	C11	D11	E11	F11	G11	H11	J11	K11
A12	B12	C12	D12	E12	F12	G12	H12	J12	K12
A13	B13	C13	D13	E13	F13	G13	H13	J13	K13
A14	B14	C14	D14	E14	F14	G14	H14	J14	K14

Right

B1	B2	B3	B4	B5	B6	B7	B8	B9	B10	B11	B12	B13	B14
B15	B16	B17	B18	B19	B20	B21	B22	B23	B24	B25	B26	B27	B28
B29	B30	B31	B32	B33	B34	B35	B36	B37	B38	B39	B40	B41	B42
B43	B44	B45	B46	B47	B48	B49	B50	B51	B52	B53	B54	B55	B56
B57	B58	B59	B60	B61	B62	B63	B64	B65	B66	B67	B68	B69	B70
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B351	B352	B353	B354	B355	B356	B357	B358	B359	B360	B361	B362	B363	B364

Picture Days with Slice of Lime Photography

We are thrilled to be partnering with Slice of Lime Photography again this year to capture our dancers in all their beauty! We have arranged the schedule by age this year. There are time slots on Saturday AND Sunday for all ages. If you have multiple costumes, you will need to attend multiple time slots to get photos in all of your costumes. **Please NO more than 3 costumes in a 1 hour time slot.** We encourage dancers to arrive ready in costume, tights, hair, and makeup. A dressing room area will be made available for you to change if you have multiple costumes. Please note, picture days are for individual photos. Dance pictures are arranged as a courtesy to our dancers.

Saturday April 26

1:00-3:00pm: Ages 14-18 (max 5 costumes)

3:00-4:00pm: Ages 4-5

4:00-5:00pm: Ages 6-7

5:00-6:00pm: Ages 8-9

6:00-7:00pm: Ages 10-11

7:00-8:00pm: Ages 12-13

Sunday April 27

11:00am-12:00pm: Graduating Senior Shoot

12:00-1:30pm: Ages 14-18

1:30-2:30pm: Ages 12-13

2:30-3:30pm: Celebrations 3 & 4 dancers, including adult dancers and family dancers

3:30-4:30pm: Celebrations 1 & 2 dancers, including family dancers

4:30-6:00pm: Ages 14-18



Hershey School of Dance & Arts “**celebrate!**” **recital sponsorship**

We are delighted to announce our annual dance recital, which for the first time, will be presented at the Whitaker Center! Our show celebrates the culmination of our year of learning, and the vibrant dance culture at our school! We are committed to promoting dance and the arts in our community.

We are reaching out to local businesses and organizations that share our passion for supporting the arts within the community. Since 1977, Hershey School of Dance has prioritized making dance education accessible to those eager to learn. We continue that legacy today, and your sponsorship will help keep costs reasonable for families.

Below you will see the sponsorship levels, which include prominent recognition before, during and after our event. Your logo will be displayed on promotional materials, posters, programs, and social media platforms, according to the level of sponsorship selected. Please email logos to hersheyschoolofdance@verizon.net with SPONSORSHIP and commitment level in the subject by Friday, 4/18/25

Your sponsorship will demonstrate your commitment to supporting arts education locally, and is greatly appreciated by our dance family. It will also help in bringing our dancers to life, and fostering an appreciation of the arts! We are excited about the possibility of partnering with your business to create a lasting memory together.

Warm regards,

Hershey School of Dance & Arts

hersheyschoolofdance@verizon.net | 717-534-3408 | 1176 Mae Street, Hummelstown, PA 17036

sponsorship tiers

- **HOST WITH THE MOST! - \$1000:** Name/Business listed in show program, HSDA website, social media recognition, included in our sponsor display on site at the Whitaker Center. Includes (4) Premier tickets to the HSDA 2025 show of your choice.
- **PARTY ANIMALS - \$500:** Name/Business displayed in show program, HSDA website, social media recognition, included in our sponsor display on site at Whitaker Center.
- **SOIREE STAR - \$250:** Name/Business displayed in show program, HSDA website, social media recognition
- **MEMORY MAKERS - \$100:** Name/Business displayed in show program

dancer shoutouts & business advertisements

Here is your chance to give a shout out to your favorite dancer, celebrate your graduating senior, and advertise your local business. Ad space is available in our 2025 recital program. There are 3 sizes to choose from listed below. Artwork must fit the dimensions listed. Shoutouts & Ads can be purchased through your parent portal in the **SHOP**. Please email completed artwork to hersheyschoolofdance@verizon.net with PROGRAM AD in the subject by Monday 4/18/25.

Businesses can email advertisements to hersheyschoolofdance@verizon.net. Checks may be mailed or dropped in the payment box outside of the office. If paying by check, please make payable to:

HERSHEY SCHOOL OF DANCE , 1176 Mae St., Hummelstown, PA 17036

\$25	¼ page	2.3903 x 3.8479"
\$50	½ page	4.875 x 3.8479"
\$100	Full Page	4.875 x 7.75"



JULIANA

Seeing you grow into a beautiful young woman has been a blessing! Don't ever stop dancing!

Break a leg!
Love, Mom,
Dad, & Morgan



celebration shoutouts!

By popular demand, one line shoutouts are back! For just \$5, you can give a short and sweet shoutout to your favorite dancers! Each shoutout should be a brief one sentence accolade.

Examples:

Break a leg Susie! You shine on stage! Love, Your Family

We are so proud of you, Joe! Love, Grandma

Purchase online via Parent Portal in the "Shop," or email hersheyschoolofdance@verizon.net

recital bouquet pre-order

Celebrate your dancer's big day with a beautiful bouquet of flowers! We are partnering with Whipwood Gardens to provide fresh bouquets at all of our recitals. Each \$20 bouquet will include an assortment of organic farm grown flowers. Save yourself time and hassle on recital day – pre-ordered flowers will be available for pick up right in the lobby at the Whitaker Center at the recital of your choice. **A very limited quantity of bouquets will be available for purchase on site; we strongly recommend pre-ordering.**

Bouquets may be purchased through your DSP account at our online store, or by dropping off this completed order form and payment to our front desk staff or in the drop box at the studio **by Monday May 12**. Please indicate the # of bouquets you would like to reserve and for which show:

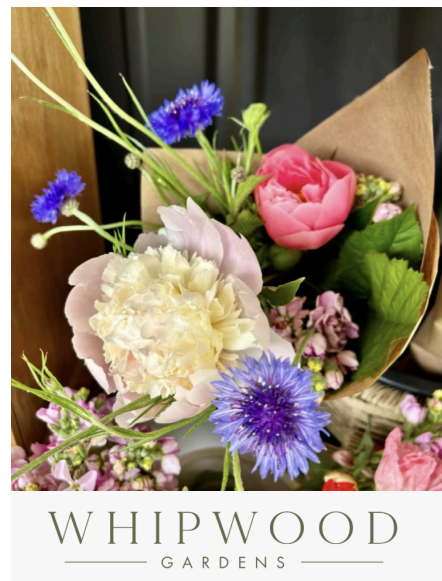
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Bouquets _____ @\$20 each = _____ TOTAL



hsda online apparel store



PRE ORDER your commemorative show shirts & other HSDA merch!

ORDER DEADLINE - SUNDAY, APRIL 7.

This is a PRE ORDER SALE and only *very limited quantities* will be available for purchase during show week.

Pre-ordering is the best way to secure your desired color choice and sizing! PRE ORDER Items will be delivered for show week. [Order Here](#) or follow the QR code.



scan to shop

Volunteers needed!

We are so excited for our first dance show week at the Whitaker Center, May 18-25! We are looking for volunteers to help us throughout the week and for the duration of each show. If you have any questions, please reach out to hersheyschoolofdance@verizon.net. As always, thank you for your support of HSDA, we can't wait to see our dancers shine! Clearances Required.

[Parent, Guardian & Alumni Sign Up](#)



2025 Volunteers

Celebration 1 & 2 Class Assistants & Student Helpers

We rely on our amazing class assistants and dancers over the age of 13 to help us backstage during the Celebration 1 & 2 dress rehearsal and recital! Class assistant/dancer help is not required for spacing rehearsal for Celebration 1 & 2.

If you are a class assistant, or interested in helping and are 13+

[Click here to sign up!](#)

FAQs & tips



2025 Assistants

What should dancers bring?

- | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> All costume pieces, shoes, tights, accessories, personal items labeled with your dancer's name. | <input type="checkbox"/> Hairspray/Gel |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dance Shoes and Street Shoes | <input type="checkbox"/> Lipstick/Makeup to reapply |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hair Brush/Comb | <input type="checkbox"/> Dry/Not Messy Snacks (pretzels, goldfish, carrots, no peanut/nut snacks.) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hair Ties that match hair color | <input type="checkbox"/> Water |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bobby Pins/Hair Pins | <input type="checkbox"/> Quiet, clean activity for down time |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hair Nets if buns are required | <input type="checkbox"/> Sense of fun and flexibility ;) |

Hair: Here is a great YouTube tutorial if you need some help in the hair department. <https://tinyurl.com/vdujsfmu>

Makeup Tips:

- Neutral eye: browns/pinks, mascara, eyelashes optional, blush, red lips, no nail polish*, show earrings optional, no other jewelry. For dancers that have fake nails, please be natural; French or clear.
- Sleek hair, using gel or hairspray, hair nets for buns.
- Be sure to pack extra hair supplies in your dancer's bag, including hair brush, hair spray, hair ties, bobby pins, & hair pins that match your dancer's hair; no bright colors. Please label.
- Be sure to label costumes, tights, shoes, etc. with the dancer's name. Remove visible tags; usually on white or light colored costumes.

Wellness: Make sure your dancer has a healthy meal and is hydrated before coming to rehearsals.

Will any rehearsals or classes take place at the studio show week?

NO! All rehearsals beginning May 18 will be at the Whitaker Center. Enter through the stage door. Viewing of rehearsals is not permitted.

Do dancers need to attend both spacing rehearsals & dress rehearsal?

YES! Notify our office immediately of any conflicts to hersheyschoolofdance@verizon.net

Will my matinee dancer have help?

YES! Each dressing room will have assistants to help dancers with costume changes, hair, and bathroom visits. Hall monitors will be located backstage as well.

Are tickets limited per family?

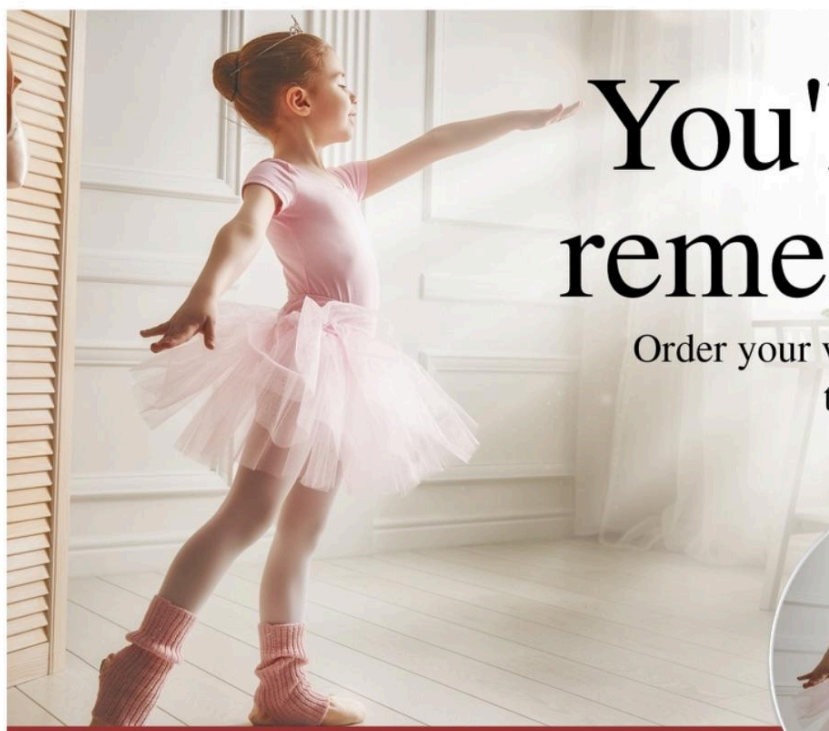
NO. However the Whitaker Center is a smaller venue, advance purchase is recommended.

Can we film dances during the performance?

NO! You may purchase a DVD or digital download from Jeff Mack Productions.

Will you have recital shirts for sale?

Recital shirts are available for PRE ORDER through April 7. To guarantee size and color preference orders **MUST** be placed in advance.



You'll want to remember this

Order your video today so you will be able to cherish this moment forever.



Recital Video Order Form

Friday or Saturday Shows (Celebration 1 and 2)

– HD Download \$40, DVD \$40, Blu-Ray/DVD set \$60

Saturday Evening or Sunday Shows (Celebration 3 and 4)

– HD Download \$40, DVD \$45, Blu-Ray/DVD set \$65

(plus tax - SHIPPING IS INCLUDED)

Orders will be due by **May 31, 2025**.

Discs will be delivered to YOUR HOME ADDRESS in about 4 weeks.

Full-Show downloads will be available in about 2 weeks.

Order on-line today
mackvideoproductions.com/store



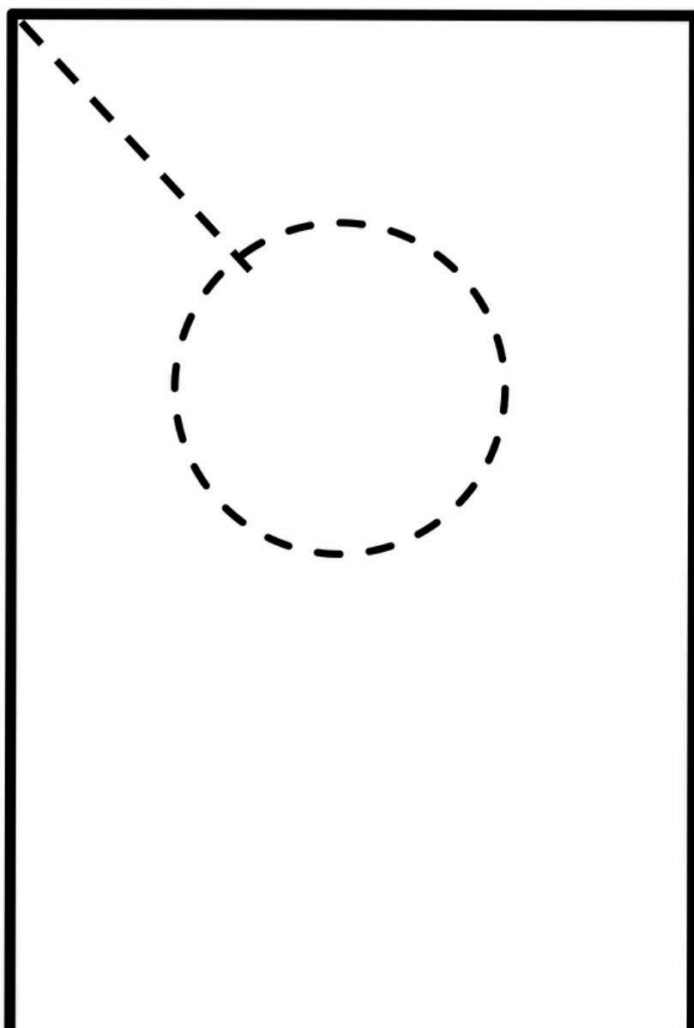
If you are having trouble or can not order on-line, please contact us at 717-469-4213.



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PRODUCTIONS**

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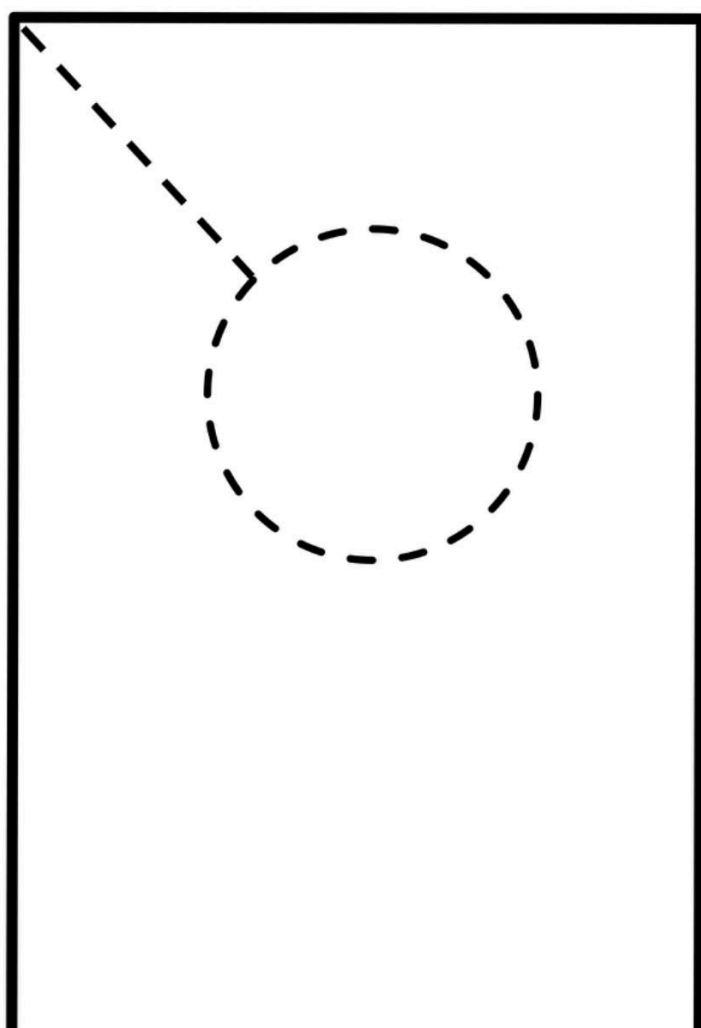
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LAST NAME

FIRST NAMES:



A large dashed circle is positioned in the upper half of the box. A dashed diagonal line starts from the top-left corner of the box and extends towards the circle.

LAST NAME

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