

LOUISE MIDDLETON SCHOOL OF DANCE

PRESENTS

Written in the stars

2023 SHOWCASE

A magical night of movies & musicals

FRIDAY 29TH SEPTEMBER (EVE)
SATURDAY 30TH SEPTEMBER (MAT & EVE)

AVON VALLEY SCHOOL, RUGBY, CV21 1EH

LICENSED BAR, REFRESHMENTS & CHARITY RAFFLE



TICKETS WILL BE AVAILABLE
FROM STAGESTUBS FROM
1ST AUGUST 2023

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Parent Pack

WRITTEN IN THE STARS 2023

IT'S SHOW TIME!

LMSD presents its sixth full stage production - Written in the Stars. This will be a full show with lights, costumes and music at Avon Valley College Theatre in Rugby. Attendance and commitment is vital over the next few months to ensure we put on a great show and all students are confident in their performances. The show is split into two acts and is roughly 2 hours in total - there will be a 15 minute interval. The show will be filmed & photographed professionally and both the DVD and photographs will be available to purchase a couple of weeks after the show. If you have any questions regarding the show, please Email: info@lmsdlutterworth.com

TICKETS

As with our previous show, tickets will be purchased online only. Tickets will be released on 1st August 2023, and can be purchased by going to **www.stagestubs.com**

To purchase tickets, click on buy tickets and then search 'Louise Middleton School of Dance' or 'Written in the Stars'. If you require disabled access & seating, please contact info@lmsdlutterworth.com *before* purchasing tickets.

Adults: £11.00 + Booking Fee
Children under 12: £9.00 + Booking Fee

Friday Evening - Doors open 6:00pm - Show starts at 6:30pm
Saturday Matinee - Doors open 12:30pm - Show starts at 1:00pm
Saturday Evening - Doors open 5:30pm - Show starts at 6:00pm
Avon Valley School, Rugby, CV21 1EH

There will be a fully licensed bar & a raffle throughout the event.

We encourage students to stay and watch the remainder of the show with parents. Children staying to watch Act 2 (that are only performing in Act 1) can sit on parents knees, however if they are too big for this they will require a ticket purchasing for the shows entirety as in previous years we have sold out all seats.

**No photography or videos whatsoever will be permitted once inside the theatre.
No videos or flash photography will be permitted during the performance.
This is to avoid disturbances to performers and to comply with copyright regulations and the
Regulatory Children's Act.**

IF YOU ARE FOUND TO BE BREACHING THIS YOU WILL BE ASKED TO LEAVE.

REHEARSALS

As well as usual classes, all children are required to attend extra studio rehearsals.
Normal dance uniform will be needed with hair up and off their face.

**ALL ADDITIONAL REHEARSALS COSTS WILL BE COVERED UNDER OUR 'SHOW FEE'
ON THE COSTUME INVOICE BREAKDOWN. THE SHOW FEE ALSO COVERS YOUR FINALE T-SHIRT.**
ONE ACT ONLY - £15 BOTH ACTS - £20

SATURDAY 2ND SEPTEMBER - BABY DANCES & BABY FINALE REHEARSAL

9.00-11.00AM AT LMSD STUDIO

SATURDAY 2ND SEPTEMBER - FULL RUN THROUGH (NO BABIES)

AT LMSD STUDIO

ACT 1 - 2.30-4.00PM / ACT 2 - 4.15-5.45PM

TECHNICAL & DRESS REHEARSALS

All children are required attend the technical and dress rehearsals - this gives them the chance to practice a complete run through of the show on stage under the lights.
Technical rehearsal is in normal dance uniform with hair up and off the face - no costumes. Full costume, makeup and hair must be done for the dress rehearsal.

PLEASE BE AWARE **ALL** CHAPERONES WILL BE REQUIRED FOR THE DRESS REHEARSAL

SATURDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER - TECHNICAL REHEARSAL

AT AVON VALLEY SCHOOL THEATRE

ACT 1 - 1.15-3.15PM / ACT 2 3.45-5.30PM

STUDENTS SHOULD BE IN UNIFORM & HAIR IN A BUN (NO COSTUMES)

SATURDAY 16TH SEPTEMBER - DRESS REHEARSAL

AT AVON VALLEY SCHOOL THEATRE

ACT 1 - 10.30-12.00PM / ACT 2 12.30-2.00PM

STUDENTS SHOULD BE AS PER THE SHOW (FULL HAIR, MAKE UP & COSTUMES)

REMINDER

BABY STUDENTS - **ACT ONE ONLY**
JUNIOR, INTER & SENIOR STUDENTS - **BOTH ACTS**

WHAT GROUP IS MY CHILD IN?

'PRESCHOOL'

Boogie Babes
Baby Ballet
Preschool Ballet

'BABY'

Beginners Ballet Gold Group (Sat)
Beginners Tap Gold Group (Sat)
Beginners Ballet & Tap Silver Group (Sat)
Beginners Ballet Silver Group (Tues)
Beginners Lyrical/Modern
Mini Street
Little Tricks
Theatre Babes

'JUNIOR'

Pre Primary Ballet
Pre Primary Tap
Primary Ballet
Primary Tap
Grade 1 & 2 Ballet
Grade 1 & 2 Tap
Primary Musical Theatre
Junior Musical Theatre
Junior Modern
Junior Lyrical
Junior Acro
Junior Street

'INTER'

Grade 3 Ballet
Grade 3 Tap
Inter/Senior Musical Theatre
Inter Modern
Inter Lyrical
Inter Acro
Inter Street

'SENIOR'

Grade 4 Ballet
Grade 4 Tap
Grade 5 Ballet
Grade 5 Tap
Grade 6 Tap
Inter Foundation Tap
Inter/Senior Musical Theatre
Senior Modern
Senior Lyrical
Senior Acro
Senior Street

CLASSES NOT INVOLVED IN THE SHOW: Tumbling, Limbering & Conditioning, Jumps Leaps & Turns, Pointe Class, Primary Musical Theatre Jazz & Grade 4 Musical Theatre Jazz

PRESCHOOL STUDENTS WILL ONLY PERFORM ONCE DURING THE MATINEE SHOW

BABY STUDENTS

- All 'baby' dance performances will be performed in Act One. At the end of act one, all baby dancers will be invited back onto stage for the baby finale - for this, they will wear their 'Written in the Stars' show T-shirt which can be worn as uniform for suitable classes after the show.
- All baby dancers are required to be collected and signed out after the baby finale for all performances, due to child licensing, they must be collected by a parent or guardian prior to the second act starting.
- Once you have collected your child if they wish to go into the auditorium and watch the remainder of the show with parents and require a seat, a ticket must be purchased, however if they are happy to sit on knees an extra ticket will not need purchasing.
- T-shirt sizes need to be submitted to a committee member or to a member of the admin team ASAP, there are samples available to view at reception.

JUNIOR, INTER & SENIOR STUDENTS

- All 'Juniors', 'Inters' and 'Seniors' are invited to perform in the finale at the end of Act Two. For this finale, all dancers require an 'Written in the Stars' show T-shirt.
- T-shirt sizes need to be submitted to a committee member or to a member of the admin team ASAP, there are samples available to view at reception.

RUNNING ORDER

ACT ONE

NO.	AGE GROUP	CLASS	DANCE	TEACHER
1	SENIOR	SENIOR MODERN	SHOW ME HOW YOU BURLESQUE	AK
2	BABY	BEGINNERS BALLET & TAP (SILVER GROUPS - TUES & SAT)	WHEN YOU WISH UPON A STAR	AK/CD
3	BABY	BEGINNERS BALLET (GOLD GROUP)	PRINCESSES	HG
4	INTER SENIOR	GRADE 4 TAP	ANYWAY YOU WANT IT	AL
5	BABY	MINI STREET	CAR WASH	CD
6	PRESCHOOL*	PRESCHOOL CLASSES	I JUST CANT WAIT TO BE KING	AL/AK
7	INTER	ISLA HARRIS	THE TAP DANCE KID	LM
8	BABY	BEGINNERS LYRICAL/MODERN	ON MY WAY	AK
9	SENIOR	SENIOR LYRICAL	EVERYBODY WANTS TO RULE THE WORLD	AK
10	JUNIOR	GRADE 1 & 2 BALLET	I PUT A SPELL ON YOU	LM
11	BABY	LITTLE TRICKS	HAWAIIAN ROLLERCOASTER RIDE	CD
12	INTER SENIOR	GRADE 4 BALLET	ONE FINE DAY	AL
13	JUNIOR	JUNIOR STREET	SPACE JAM	CD
14	BABY	THEATRE BABES & BEGINNERS TAP (GOLD GROUP)	SING!	HG
15	INTER	INTER LYRICAL	NO TIME TO DIE	AK
16	SENIOR	INTER FOUNDATION TAP	WAIT FOR IT	LM
17	JUNIOR	JUNIOR MODERN	THE GOSPEL TRUTH	LM
18	BABY FINALE - ALL PRESCHOOL AND BABY STUDENTS			

ACT TWO

NO.	AGE GROUP	CLASS	DANCE	TEACHER
19	JUNIOR	JUNIOR LYRICAL, PRIMARY & JUNIOR MUSICAL THEATRE	MATILDA	AK
20	JUNIOR	IMOGEN GILL	JAILHOUSE ROCK	LM
21	INTER SENIOR	INTER/SENIOR STREET	THE BOYS ARE BACK	CD
22	JUNIOR	JUNIOR COMPETITION TEAM	NEVERLAND	CD
23	SENIOR	GRADE 5 BALLET	JOURNEY TO THE PAST	AK
24	INTER	INTER MODERN	HOT HONEY RAG	CD
25	JUNIOR	PRE-PRIMARY & PRIMARY BALLET	MARRIED LIFE	CD/LM
26	INTER SENIOR	INTER/SENIOR ACRO	TUBULAR BELLS	LM
27	JUNIOR	PRE-PRIMARY, PRIMARY, GRADE 1 & 2 TAP	OUR HOUSE	CD/LM
28	INTER	ELISA NORMAN & EVIE ADKINS	YOU ARE THE REASON	LM
29	TEACHERS	TEACHERS	LOOK AT ME	LM/HG
30	JUNIOR	JUNIOR ACRO	LEVEL COMPLETE	LM
31	INTER SENIOR	INTER/SENIOR MUSICAL THEATRE	IT'S TIME TO DANCE	LM
32	FINALE - ALL STUDENTS IN ACT TWO			

***PRESCHOOL DANCERS WILL ONLY PERFORM IN THE MATINEE SHOW**

THIS RUNNING ORDER IS NOT FINAL AND COULD BE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

BACKSTAGE & CHAPERONES

IMPORTANT

- Only authorised personnel are allowed backstage throughout rehearsals & show performances.
- There will be no backstage access to audience members between dances or during the interval.
- At the moment, we plan to have individual dressing rooms per age group. Boys will also have a separate changing area.
- If we have siblings that cross over age groups we will ensure that you are together to provide ease of chaperones/changing.

We require the help of our dance parents to take on the roles of backstage helpers, backstage helpers are responsible for assisting with changing costumes between dances and ensuring children are supervised at all times. We will this time require an official registered chaperone for each dressing room, along side backstage helpers:

EACH STUDENT MUST PROVIDE A NAMED PERSON AS THEIR BACKSTAGE HELPER FOR EACH PERFORMANCE

IDEAS THAT WORK: Buddy up with another dancer/family. Ask friends/family to help with the performance you wish to watch. For joining up this time, we would like a ratio of 1:3 if possible so that dressing rooms are not over crowded.

- Chaperone & backstage helpers names will be collected over the coming months by our admin team.
- There is a legal minimum requirement of chaperones/backstage helpers needed per show, please help us to be organised in advance so that if a dancer is struggling to find a helper for a performance, we can pair them up.
- Unfortunately we cannot accept the help of male helpers in our female changing area, however we do require helpers for our boys changing area if any dance dads would like to help!

TOP TIPS FOR BACKSTAGE

Please pack items that may help keep younger dancers occupied while waiting for their turn to dance & for the finale, especially if they are only performing once. However, can we please ask you not to bring colouring pens backstage as this risks costume damage/pen on hands.

- Students must come ready with their hair and make up done. Please do not arrive in costume - many dancers arrive in zip up tracksuits or a onesie.
- No food will be allowed in the dressing rooms.
- Please only bring water to drink.
- Costumes will be left in the dressing rooms in between Saturday's performances but must be taken home after Friday and Saturday evening performances.
- Children will need signing in & out by a committee member.
- Children in act one only can be collected from the main reception area of the school after the baby finale/end of act 1 or at the end of the show.
- No spectators will be allowed back stage at any point.

SHOW HAIR

Hair & make up must be done prior to arriving at the theatre for the dress rehearsal and all performances.

Don't worry, finishing touches can be made at the theatre too - please bring along any hairspray, extra grips and lipstick for any top ups needed. If you require assistance with your child's hair, please speak to a member of the committee.

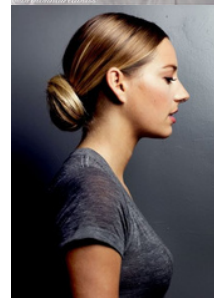
BABIES

Slick space buns with a centre parting.



JUNIORS

Slick low bun in the nape of the neck, with a centre parting.



INTERS & SENIORS

2 DUTCH braids into a low bun in the nape of the neck.



BOYS

All boys hair should be neatly styled

TOP TIPS

- Use a gel spray/mousse for those fine and straggly hairs.
- All girls must use a bun net.
- No headbands.
- Large donuts should not be used and may be asked to be removed if inappropriate.
- Fringes must be pinned back and neat.
- Bun packs are available to purchase from the studio if required.

MAKE UP

For make up, one of our lovely seniors Tyler has done a tutorial for us! Check out the [SHOW HUB](#) on the website.

Stage make up is used to make certain features such as lips and eyes stand out, from the audience view it helps to accent key areas of the face that are flattened by harsh stage lighting. It is compulsory for ALL dancers.

Babies Girls: Medium brown eye shadow/Black eye liner to extend eye/Blusher/Bright red lipstick

All ages - Boys: Light foundation/Black eyeliner flicks

Junior/ Inters/ Seniors Girls: Light foundation/Light blusher/Light bronzer/Dark brown eyeshadow/Black eye liner/Mascara/Bright red lipstick

COSTUMES & PAYMENTS

- All costumes will be labelled by the LMSD show committee.
- Each costume will have each student's name on with the relevant accessories together with it. When this process has been completed and costumes have been paid for by parents, costumes will then be sent home to store carefully and safely until the dress rehearsal & shows - at this point any/all costumes & accessories become parents/dancers responsibility to keep clean and also to bring with them to dress rehearsals and show performances.
- Self-source costumes and any accessory items (including shoes) should be brought to the first technical rehearsal on Saturday 9th September. These self source items need to be checked by Louise and the other dance teachers to ensure they are correct - please ensure these items are clearly labelled with children's names.
- After the two evening shows each child will be responsible for taking all their items home - following the matinee items can be left ready for the evening. After the show has finished, please keep items safe and covered up (with correct accessories) as we may need to use them in the future for other events or competitions. Any 'hire' costumes will need to be returned to the studio after the show in their original condition/with any accessories - please do not wash these!
- We sell and can order many show essentials your child may require such as: Ballet socks, Ballet shoes, Modern shoes, Tap shoes, Ballet tights, Shimmer tights, Bun Packs, Costume bags, Make up bags. Check out the website to purchase. We **STRONGLY** recommend purchasing some flesh coloured 'dance pants' (and bras for older dancers) or skins leotard. Underwear should not be visible at anytime whilst on stage - check our website shop, Amazon or dance wear shops/websites for specific 'dance pants' or Primark for affordable flesh coloured underwear.

If you need to order any essential or self-sourced items through LMSD or if your child requires new shoes of any kind, our last orders will be taken by Thursday 31st August.

- Each family will receive an invoice for the total amount of show costumes, clearly broken down for each dancer/costume.
- It is then up to you how you wish to pay.
- **Option 1:** Pay for the total invoice amount by clicking the ezi payment link.
- **Option 2:** Pay in part. This can be done by cash or card at reception with our admin team.

PAY IN PART DETAILS

- 'Whole costume' amounts only - please do not pay odd part amounts, if you wish to part pay, please pay for one 'whole costume' amount at a time.
- Cash payments must be in a named envelope with the 'whole costume' money it is associated to and handed in at our reception.
- Card payments should be made at our reception and you must state which costume you are paying for so that we are able to correctly mark this off and keep track.

All Costumes will need to be paid in full by Thursday 31st August. If payments are not made by this date then your child will not have their costumes in preparation for the programme photographs and therefore will not be pictured in the show programme. For full information on costumes/shoes required please see last page of this pack. Remember, you only need costumes for the classes your child attends.

