

Inspire 2020

What is Inspire?

“Inspire” is a choreography showcase featuring WSD’s Level III,IV,V and Teen/Adult dancers, taking the stage on March 14, 2020 at Glacier Peak Performing Arts Center. Designed to replicate the professional performance environment, “Inspire” will introduce WSD dancers to new dance styles and choreography, while encouraging them to further explore their technique and artistry.

Who can take part in the performance?

Dancers in Teen/Adult, III, IV and V Ballet, Jazz, Tap, Musical Theater, Hip Hop and Contemporary classes at WSD are eligible to participate. The goal is to explore new dance forms, so a Ballet dancer may be cast in a Hip Hop piece, or a Contemporary dancer may end up exploring Musical Theater. We encourage dancers with a broad range of experience to participate.

How are dances assigned?

All dancers will participate in the “Production” piece that will serve as a finale for this year’s Inspire performance. Additional pieces will be assigned by audition.

On **Saturday, January 4th at 4:30pm**, we will host auditions at WSD for this year’s Inspire performance pieces. All dancers interested in performing must attend. Choreographers invited to create for this year’s performance will be viewing the class and selecting dancers to be in their pieces. Selections will be announced the following day, and a final rehearsal schedule will be published. Dancers will be assigned at least one additional piece in addition to “Production”, and possibly more.

What is the commitment for performers?

Rehearsals for Inspire choreography will take place between January 9th and March 8th on:

Block A -- Saturday, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm in WSD Snohomish
Block B -- Saturday, 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm in WSD Bothell
Block C -- Saturday, 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm in WSD Bothell
Block D -- Sunday, 11:00 am - 3:00 pm in WSD Bothell
Block E -- Sunday, 3:00 pm - 6:00 pm in WSD Bothell
Block F -- Sunday, 4:00 pm -- 6:00 pm in WSD Bothell (Finale rehearsal)
1/26, 2/2, 2/9, 3/8

Prior to auditions on January 4th, dancers will need to carefully consult their calendars to check their availability for the scheduled rehearsal blocks.

When dancers sign in for auditions, they will denote which rehearsal blocks they are available for on their commitment contract. Because our rehearsal time is so limited, dancers will need to be present at all rehearsals for a given piece in order to successfully bring it to the stage.

A dancer's exact rehearsal schedule will depend on which pieces they are assigned through the audition process. Choreographers will be taking a dancer's availability into account when casting their pieces.

In addition to the rehearsals for any dances you may be assigned, Inspire participants must attend:

Inspire Auditions (at WSD Bothell)

Saturday, January 4th, 4:30pm – 6:00pm

In-Studio Dress Rehearsal (at WSD Bothell)

Saturday, February 29th, 4:30pm – 6:30pm

Dress Rehearsal (at Glacier Peak Performing Arts Center)

Saturday, March 14th 5:00pm – 7:00pm

-Dancers must be enrolled in Semester I and Semester II classes at WSD. Regular class attendance is imperative to ensure that students are well prepared technically for performance.

-All performers must attend the Dress Rehearsal and Performance.

-Participating students stay backstage during the performance, and must be present for the entirety of the show.

What is the financial commitment for performers?

Each participant will be assessed a non-refundable \$125.00 performance fee, due with their signed contract. This fee will cover studio rental, instructor payroll, and costuming from the WSD collection.

When and where is this year's performance?

Inspire 2020 will be performed Saturday, **March 14th at 7:30pm at Glacier Peak Performing Arts Center** in Snohomish. The performance will run approximately one hour.

How much do tickets cost?

Tickets are \$17.00 per person. Each person attending the performance will need a ticket of their own. Performers do not need tickets – only audience members. More information about ticket sales will be available as we get closer to the show.

If you have any questions or concerns about Performances at WSD, please call 425-481-7899 or email us at info@washingtonschoolofdance.com

