Helpful Hints - Dance Classes for Scouts

We’re excited that you’re joining us for a dance class before the ballet performance! Here is some information that will help your troop prepare for the class.

**Location:** Benedum Center for the Performing Arts, in downtown Pittsburgh. Please enter through the stage door (not the main doors of the theater). The stage door is located at **719 Liberty Ave, 15222.** There will be a sign on the door; the door is locked and you will need to ring a buzzer to the right of the door.

**Parking:** The Smithfield-Liberty, 6th and Penn and Theater Square garages are close to the Benedum. You can find real-time parking availability information here: [www.parkpgh.org](http://www.parkpgh.org).

**Arrival time:** Please arrive no earlier than 30 minutes prior to your class start time.

**Registration and Medical / Media Release Form:** Parents must complete and sign this form for their scout to be able to participate. Please bring forms for all students to the class.

**Class observation:** Adults/siblings are welcome to watch the class.

**Attire:** Scouts should wear comfortable clothing that they can dance in! Athletic wear or leotards/tights are perfect. Dance slippers or sticky socks are recommended. There is a very small restroom on the same floor as the studio for changing clothes and more restrooms in the main lobby of the theater.

**Duration of class:** 45 minutes. The class will end approximately 45 minutes before the start of the performance. **Please note that we must vacate the area within 15 minutes of the end of class.**

**Water and snacks:** Food is not permitted in the studio and unfortunately there is no area where children and families can eat snacks or lunch. McDonalds, Subway and Crazy Mocha are close by, as well as a number of other downtown restaurants. You may bring a water bottle to class and a water fountain is available in the lobby.

**Bag Policy and Metal Detectors:** Before attending the show, please visit [www.trustarts.org/safety](http://www.trustarts.org/safety) to review the theater’s safety policies. All guests attending a performance at the Benedum Center must pass through metal detectors. Patrons’ purses / bags must be **no larger** than 16" x 16" x 8". Larger bags will not be allowed in the theater, so please plan accordingly if you’re bringing a change of clothes.

For more information please contact us! For tickets and badge questions: groupsales@pittsburghballet.org or 412-454-9101. For questions about the class: education@pittsburghballet.org or 412-454-9109. For day of questions, please text 352-514-0960. We look forward to dancing with you!