

2020 Zorra Skating Carnival Information

Saturday, March 14th, 2020

2:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.

Plans are well under way for our annual Carnival. Everyone is getting excited about their performances. Our Carnival is a wonderful opportunity to showcase our skaters and let them all be skating stars for the day. Coaches are spending some time each skating session working on their Carnival numbers. Please read the information below to note changes to practice schedules and items requiring your help. If you have questions, please ask a board member or a member of the Carnival committee.

Costumes

Getting an outfit that works with the number and makes each skater feel special is a big task. Most items used this year are from our collection, but will require altering in some cases. Some new costumes may also require sewing to be done.

Please do the following when you come to the arena;

1. Ask if there is something your skater should try on.
2. Make sure a label with the skater's name is attached to the costume.
3. If the costume requires altering, make sure it gets marked.
4. Be sure the information gets recorded to what needs to be done.
5. Offer to help whenever you can. (if you have sewing skills, we would appreciate your help!)

****Most female skaters will require beige tights****

A list will be given to you AND posted on the bulletin board if you are required to supply other items

Food

All our skaters need nourishment. However, we ask that you **DO NOT** allow your skater to eat while in costumes. Only water is permitted in the change room areas. We need to take care of our costumes to enable the club to use them for many years.

For your convenience, the skating club will be offering a sub meal on Technical Rehearsal and Dress Rehearsal nights. This meal must be purchased in advance and consist of a sub, drink and treat for \$5 and an extra sub for \$3.

If you wish to stay at the arena between the afternoon show and evening shows on Carnival day, a pot luck dinner will be held and all skaters and families are welcome to attend.

Pictures - Monday, March 2nd

All skaters will have their pictures taken on Technical Rehearsal night. There will be groups and individual shots. It is expected that any hair requirements or headpieces etc. needed will be in place for group shots. Hair and makeup for individual shots are up to the parents. Typically for CanSkaters, helmets are worn for group pictures with head pieces on.

If you wish to have special pictures taken, please sign the list on the bulletin board. Some parents use this opportunity to get professional pictures with siblings or pictures of competition outfits. **Please Note:** only special pictures that are signed up for will be taken and at the assigned times only.

Technical Rehearsal - Monday March 2nd

Please check the bulletin board or attached chart times that your skater(s) are on the ice. Skaters will have assigned dressing rooms so that their groups are all together and skaters will be in full costume for this rehearsal. They will need to be on the ice for their individual group. Before leaving the change room, please ensure all costume pieces are put together on their assigned hanger.

Dress Rehearsal - Thursday March 12th

Skaters need to be ready in costumes by the times posted on the attached chart or bulletin board. Please sign your child in at the security desk. We will be running this in order of the show with the exception of the first half finale, it will be skated first on this night. Skaters are expected to wait in their change room area until their number is called. We ask that all parents helping Carnival day be in their assigned area to learn the ropes. **This is a closed rehearsal, there will be NO opportunity to view this performance.** For the comfort and privacy of our older skaters, we ask that the same sex parents be in their change areas. Skaters will be allowed to leave once their number had been finished and their costume has been hung back up and ready for Carnival day. They will be brought to the security desk to be signed out when they are ready to leave. As the room will be crowded, we ask that there be **NO SIBLINGS OR STROLLERS** in the room with parent or skater.

FIRST HALF

SKATERS ARRIVE BY 5:30PM AND SHOW WILL START AT 6:15PM

CanSkate A&B- Your skaters will be in two numbers; first the opening number and then their group number. Once they are done their number, they are free to go.

SECOND HALF

SKATERS in SECOND HALF need to arrive by 6:45PM and will start by 7:30PM.

We will start with the Finale so when your final number is done, you may leave.

Carnival Day - Saturday March 14th

Show times are 2pm and 7pm. All skaters in the first half of the show should arrive one hour before the show time unless otherwise stated on the chart. All skaters in the first half of the show should be dressed and their hair and make-up done before the show starts. There will be two final numbers. The first one is for the first half of the skaters and occurs before the show's intermission. The second one is for the second half skaters and is at the end of the show.

Once again, parents are asked to please sign their children in and out of the change room at the security table. Unless the skater is performing in the second half of the show, they should be picked up at intermission at the security table. Younger skaters may wish to bring a small toy, colouring book, etc. to entertain themselves while they are waiting to perform.

REMEMBER- NO FOOD in the change room areas. Any food or beverages, other than bottled water will be removed from the room.

Tickets

Tickets will be available shortly, please stay tuned. Advanced tickets will cost \$10/adult, \$4/children (5-12) and preschoolers are free. Tickets will also be available at the door for \$12/adult \$5/children. Having an audience makes the Carnival so special for our skaters, as well as being key to offsetting the cost to run the show. Tickets are limited so get them early. Remember: There may be no tickets at the door if the show is sold out in advance.

Parent Volunteers

We ask that each family volunteer to help out at one show. This will allow you to watch your star skater in action. We will need volunteers to help with selling tickets and programs, costumes, sewing, supervising change rooms, security, prop manager (collecting and creating props as well as working with props behind the stage), painting ice, set up and tear down etc. Please sign the list on the bulletin board once it is posted. For more information on job requirements, speak to a board member or someone on the Carnival Committee. To be in a dressing room or around our skaters during Carnival, we ask that a police check be completed.

There will be in person information sessions during the week of February 17-21, on the night your child skates*

Important Dates

March 2nd - Photo Night, Technical Rehearsal

(Schedules will be posted on bulletin board)

March 11th - BOTH Wednesday and Friday CanSkaters

March 12th - Dress Rehearsal (closed for parent viewing)

March 13th - NO SKATING FOR CANSKATE

March 14th - CARNIVAL DAY