

Dear Parents/Guardians:

Welcome to the Anishinabe Performance Circle hosted by the staff and volunteers from the Ziibiwing Center. You must have the registration packet filled out completely and the registration fee paid to hold a spot for your child in the Anishinabe Performance Circle. The registration form will enable us to better meet the needs of your child. The \$30.00 registration fee will help cover the cost of speakers and other expenses.

The mission of the Anishinabe Performance Circle is aimed at promoting and enhancing positive self images of children through the use of traditional Anishinabe arts (storytelling, dance, music, and language), and preparing our youth as leaders in a multicultural society.

We are hosting the Anishinabe Performance Circle to promote the arts and culture of the Anishinabek. The Anishinabe Performance Circle will foster a greater understanding of our rich cultural heritage through educational cultural presentations. This increased exposure and access to the rich heritage of the Anishinabe people will help bridge ethnic and cultural relationships plus build strong community partnerships.

Session Dates:

Tuesday, January 31st sign-up & class begins.

Performance Circle classes are held every Tuesday. We will hold the first class from 4:00pm to 5:30pm. We will then evaluate the class size and students needs to determine **if** we need to split the class into smaller groups to offer the best learning opportunities (Senior Class 4:00pm to 5:30pm & Junior Class 5:30pm to 6:30pm).

Attendance Requirements:

Participants are required at every session to assure the transference of cultural knowledge and the acquisition of cultural skills. All participants must attend the Awards/Graduation Ceremony Family Performance in order to graduate.

Dress/Uniform:

It is a participant's responsibility to come prepared with all proper equipment and materials. We will be up and moving to the drum beat. Your child should bring comfortable shoes to dance in (tennis shoes or moccasins). If your child has long hair please have something to tie it back and to keep it out of their face. It is recommended that your child wear either a jogging suit or clothing that will allow them to move freely during dancing.

Certificate of Completion: Active participation is necessary in order to earn the Certificate of Completion and acquire the skills needed to become a cultural representative for the Ziibiwing Center. Those who earn their Certificate of Completion will be put on the Ziibiwing phone roster to call when performers are needed for paid bookings. Those who receive this certificate must have attended twelve sessions.

Awards/Graduation Ceremony Family Performance:

We will host a special performance for family & friends at the end of the certification program. This presentation will take place at the Broadway Theater in downtown Mt. Pleasant, MI.

Sewing/Beading Class:

Beginner bead working and sewing class for parents and guardians of Performance Circle students will be offered Monday afternoons from 3:00-5:00pm.

We can be reached at 775-4750 if you have any further questions.
Anishinabe Performance Circle Staff & Volunteers
Ziibiwing Center of Anishinabe Culture & Lifeways

Anishinabe Performance Circle: 12-Week Certification Program

Who: **Senior** Anishinabe Performance Circle – 6-16 years of age, **experienced dancers only, or those who have received a Graduate Certificate from a previous class.**

Junior Anishinabe Performance Circle – 3 to 16 years of age, beginner dancers
(**Junior Circle requires a Child & Parent commitment for the entire 12-week program for children 6 years and under**)

Cost: \$30 - Fee covers the costs

Where: Ziibiwing Center

When: Performance Circle meets Tuesdays from 4:00- 5:30 pm. Class time may be held longer into the evening to accommodate working parents or will change to two classes (Senior Class 4:00-5:30pm & Junior Class 5:30-6:30pm to meet students needs.)

TENTATIVE AGENDA

Class size & student needs will determine if we have one class from 4:00-5:30pm or two classes (Senior Class 4:00-5:30pm & Junior Class 5:30-6:30pm).

January 31st

4-5:30pm Sign-up/Overview (assess students' needs/wants for instruction and regalia)

February 7th

4-5:30pm Dances, Music, Pow Wow Etiquette

February 14th

4-5:30pm Dances, Music, Pow Wow Etiquette (*cont'd*)

February 21st

4-5:30pm Choosing a Dance Style/Song Recognition

February 28th

4-5:30pm Choosing a Dance Style/Song Recognition (*cont'd*)

March 06th

4-5:30pm Regalia Care & Respect (children) Braiding Hair

March 13th

4-5:30pm Specialty Dances, Snake Dance & Side Sep

March 20th

4-5:30pm Specialty Dances, Crow Hop & Sneak-Up

March 27th

4-5:30pm Dancing

April 10th

4-5:30pm Dancing

April 17th

4-5:30pm Dancing

April 24th

4-5:30pm Performance Practice for final graduation performance

May 1st

4-5:30pm Performance Practice for final graduation performance

May 8th

6pm Sr. & Jr. Awards/Graduation Ceremony Broadway Theatre

Anishinabe Performance Circle: Registration Form

Print Name of Student: _____

Age: _____ Grade in School: _____

Parent or Guardian Name: _____

Email Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City/State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone:(_____) _____ Cell:(_____) _____

In case of emergency call:

Name: _____ Phone: _____ Cell: _____

List Dance Training: _____

Studied: (circle) ballet, Pointe, jazz, tap, hip hop, other: _____

Where: _____ Number of years: _____

List any physical limitations: _____

Injuries: _____

How did you hear about us? (please check)

Website Friend Email Flyer/Handout Newspaper Other: _____

Do not write in this space
 Fee: \$30.00
 Reg. pd _____
 Check # _____
 Credit Card approval
 # _____
 Total paid: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

**I understand that I am responsible for transporting my child(ren) plus picking them up by 5:30pm.
 I understand that I am responsible to attend ALL sessions with my child(ren) that is/are under 6 years of age.**

Cultural Experience:

Dance: _____ Style: _____ How many Years: _____ Has Regalia: _____ Yes or No

Would like to learn to make regalia?

(Be specific) _____

Storytelling: _____ Drumming: _____ Singing: _____

I would like to learn more about: _____

Class space is limited. Therefore no refunds or credits can be given for missed or dropped classes.
 Registration fee, deposits, or tuition will not be refunded. Person signing this form is responsible for payment.
 Please enclose with registration form.

Tuition enclosed: \$ _____ Check # _____

May pay by credit card in the Ziibiwing Gift Shop:

Visa/MasterCard # _____ Exp. Date: _____

Registration Fee is \$30.00 per child for the 12-week session.

Notice & Waiver: The undersigned hereby waives any claim for injury or damages as a result of any personal injury, bodily injury, or property damage at the Ziibiwing Center or approved sites while participating in the Anishinabe Performance Circle classes, auditions, and/or presentations. The Ziibiwing Center, its staff members, and volunteers assume no responsibility for personal property that is lost, stolen, or missing while participating in any Anishinabe Performance Circle classes, auditions, or presentations.

X _____ X _____
 Date Today Parent or Guardian Signature

Photo/Video Release

I, _____, (legal parent or guardian of _____), do hereby give the Ziibiwing Center, its employees and all persons acting under their permission or authority the irrevocable right to use my child's name, picture, portrait, or photograph in all form and in all media and in all manners, without any restriction as to changes or alterations) including but not limited to composite or distorted representations or derivative works made in any medium) for advertising, publications, promotion, or other lawful purposes. I waive any rights to inspect or approve the photograph(s) or video(s) or finished version(s) incorporating the photograph(s) or video(s), including written copy that may be created and appear in connection therewith.

I hereby release and agree to hold harmless the Ziibiwing Center, its employees and all persons acting under their permission or authority from any liability by virtue of blurring, distortion, optical illusion, alteration, or use in composite form, whether intentional or otherwise, that may occur or be produced in taking of photographs, and videos, or in the processing.

I agree that the photographer own the copyright in these photographs and hereby waive any claims I may have based on usage of the photographs, videos, or work derived there from, including but not limited to claims of either invasion of privacy or libel. I am the guardian or parent of said child _____ and am of full age and competent to sign this release. I agree that this release shall be binding on legal representatives, my heirs, assigns, and me. I have read this release and am familiar with its contents.

I further agree that I will not receive payment for my participation in said photograph(s) and/or videotape(s) produced by the Ziibiwing Center and its agents. I understand that any and all revenue that may be generated by the distribution and subsequent sale of said photographs(s) and/or videotape(s) will specifically be used for the sole support of outreach, educational program, and performance expenses of the Ziibiwing Center, a non-profit tax-exempt organization.

Parent/Guardian

Date