Starship Dance Theater Joyce DiLauro, Artistic Director Audition #: Audition fee (\$15) paid:_____ Dancer Name: Age: Address: ______ Dancer's Email: Dancer's Cell Phone:_____ Allergies of Health Issues:_____ Leotard Size: Child S M L Height:____ (Circle One) Adult P S M L Father's Name: _____ Cell Phone: _____ Father's Address: ______ Home Phone: _____ Father's Email: Mother's Name: Cell Phone: Mother's Address: Home Phone: Mother's Email: _____ Are you interested in Interning with the Stage Manager? (circle one) YES NO See later page of this packet for more information Dancer (if over 16) or Parents Signature: Dance Training: hereby give permission for_____

To be photographed and videotaped in connection with this performance by Starship Dance Theater.

Attention: Please tear off this page and hand in to Audition attendant- Keep rest of packet for your information!!!!!!!

WELCOME TO STARSHIP DANCE THEATER

STARSHIP DANCE THEATER is a non-profit, community dance company whose goal is to expose children to the joys of the performing arts by staging productions in the style of a professional dance troupe. Rehearsals and performances are conducted in a serious, task-oriented manner. Dancers are expected to show a love for dance, respect for the Starship staff, and proper discipline. This protocol sets the stage for a fun and rewarding dance experience.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

First Rehearsal- Sunday, September 20, 2015

<u>1:00pm - 2:00pm</u> ***<u>Parents & Performers</u>

2:00pm – 4:30pm-Performers only

<u>Note:</u> All but two rehearsals are scheduled for Sundays from 1:00pm - 5:00pm. **See attached for full rehearsal schedule**

PRODUCTION FEES:

Due Sunday, September 20, 2015

\$360.00** per child, each sibling \$155.00

** If you sell \$100- or more worth of ad sales by Sunday, October 20th you will be reimbursed \$100.00** You must sell a minimum of \$100- in order to get reimbursed.

Production fee includes all rehearsals, Starship t-shirt & DVD Checks payable to: STARSHIP DANCE THEATER

PRODUCTION BUDGET-\$20,000+ costs!!Production fees cover the extensive production costs such as lighting, sound, set construction, costume design and construction, and fabrication of props.

Failure to pay production fees when due will result in removal from rehearsal.

TICKET SALES - Sunday, October 20, 2015

Ticket sales will begin on Sunday, October 20, 2015 via an online service Tututix. More information will follow. The Magic Toyshop is always a sell out show so get your tickets for family and friends early.

Ticket Prices:	In Advance: \$20-General Admission
	In Advance: \$15- Seniors and Children 12 and under
	In Advance: \$18-Students
	At the Door: \$25-General Admission
	At the Door: \$17-Seniors and Children 12 and under
	At the Door: \$20-Students

Reserved Seating Available for First 2 Rows and First row on risers at \$30.00 per ticket-

40 tickets available on a first come first serve basis.

MAGIC TOYSHOP REHEARSALS - 2015

Location: Time: Dates:	Guilford Community Center Sundays, 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm September 20, 27 October 4,11,18,25 November 1,8,15,22			
*Full Dress Rehearsals:		Sunday, November 29th- 3pm - 7pm *** *** Note time change ***		
Tech/Dress Rehearsal:		Thursday, December 3rd - 6pm - 10 pm		
Performances:		Friday, December 4th- Cast call 6pm Performance at 7:30pm		
Saturday, December 5th- TWO SHC Cast call 1:30pm				
		Performances at 3:00pm AND 7:30pm		
Sunday, December 6th-				
		Cast call 12:30pm Performance at 2:00pm		
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Intern with the Stage Manager for Magic Toyshop 2015

Do you love the behind the scenes of Magic Toyshop? Are Sundays your favorite day of the week? We are looking for several individuals who want to volunteer their time on Sundays during rehearsal times. This position is not only intended for dancers or cast members, but also for siblings, friends, community service volunteers, and dance enthusiasts. Last year our interns proved to be superstars, and we're hoping to have another fun year!

What would I have to do?

- Take attendance at rehearsals
- Look up phone numbers for Kara to call missing dancers
- Put signs on doors and write the schedule on the white board
- Distribute rosin
- Help move dancers from one rehearsal space to the next
- Make sure the Rehearsal Directors have the correct music/help them record video if they need to
- Make sure the Costume Mistress has the correct group during fittings
- Help distribute hand outs to parents before and after rehearsals as necessary
- Direct questions to Kara, NOT Joyce.
- Take photos and videos to post to the Facebook and Instagram pages
- Assist with costume changes
- Distribute posters for the show
- Assist directors as needs arise
- Repair costumes and props
- Set up props
- Engage in special projects.

How do I apply?

There will be a box to check on your audition form if you are interested in interning. You must be 10 or older to apply.

How will the intern be chosen?

Depending on the interest level, Kara may have quick conversations with each candidate in order to decide. Should she need assistance with her decision, Joyce will weigh in.

When we will find out?

Before Sunday, September 20th, Kara will notify the intern(s). The position officially begins on September 20th.

PERFORMER- PARENT- STARSHIP EXPECTATIONS

Expectations of Performers

Attend all rehearsals, be on time. Remember absences may result in cast changes or removal.

Follow all rules and policies.

Bring your creative talent and energy to rehearsals and performances. Be enthusiastic and committed to your art and fellow performers.

Expectations of Parents

Bring child/performer to rehearsals on time. Check in at rehearsals for new information or changes weekly. Be responsible for reading and conveying information to performers on documents and the Starship Studio website blog. Complete Volunteer commitment.

Expectations of Starship

Provide a professional yet nurturing environment for all people in the production.

Provide a professional performance opportunity and act as leaders and role models by sharing our experience, talent, and inspiration. Produce a professional production in 11 rehearsals.

Promise from Artistic Director

As the Artistic Director, Joyce DiLauro, I promise that the involvement in the Magic Toyshop will be a wonderful, challenging, educational, and unforgettably positive experience for your family. The story and musical score are memorable and still today, after 25 years of being Artistic Director, I cry and laugh with enjoyment and pride each time I view the videotape. The Magic Toyshop is a major commitment for all, directors, managers, and other staff who work full time jobs; the dancers who must balance school, part time jobs, homework, and rehearsals; and families with responsibilities in all of these areas. With a commitment together this year's production will be as wonderful and as magical as all of the past productions. Thank you for this promise of commitment.

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Starship Dance Theater CONTACT INFORMATION: This email is your connection to all your questions!! <u>Starshipstagemanager@gmail.com</u> Kara's phone number is: 203-530-7023(cell), 203-453-6225(home)

Information about rehearsals can be found on the blog section on our website: <u>www.starshipdancestudio.com</u>

If you are going to absent due to illness you MUST contact the Stage Manager by 12pm SUNDAY.

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PLEASE SIGN AND RETURN TO STARSHIP STAFF ON FIRST REHEARSAL*

Magic Toyshop 2014 Has Opportunities for You!

We expect and encourage every family who has a member performing in Magic Toyshop to assist with the production in some way. Here are some opportunities:

Set Construction - Rafael DiLauro, Joyce's husband, has designed and constructed the entire set and is in charge of setting it up, but he needs help. If you are handy with tools and can take direction from Raffael, we could use your help Wednesday, December 3^{rd} to load the set into a truck from where it is stored and unload it and construct it inside the Community Center.

Costume Assistants – Barbara Feinberg is our Costume Mistress extraordinaire, and she has all the costumes very organized, but she could use help during rehearsals fitting the cast on Sundays during the months of October and November. If you are an organizer or are handy with a safety pin or a needle and thread, she could use some help.

Costume Construction - Sometimes we need an entirely new costume to be constructed or an old one to be repaired. If you enjoy this kind of work, we would love to get your help in this area.

Publicity - We need some help getting the word out about the show. If you are good at writing press releases, writing e-mails, and generally getting the word out, we would love to get your help is this area.

Posters - Every year we get beautiful posters printed to help publicize the shows. We need people to help post these in as many public places as possible early in the month of November.

Refreshment Coordinators - We usually serve and sell refreshments before and after the shows. We need someone to coordinate the gathering of the snacks and the selling of them on that weekend.

Cast Party - Our cast party takes place between the two shows on Saturday, December 6. Since we'll all need to eat dinner at that time, we need someone to obtain and coordinate the food and clean up for this party.

Dressers - During every show, many of our cast members have to make what are called "quick changes." These are costume changes that sometimes must be made in as few as 90 seconds, and sometimes as many as eight young cast members must make this quick change all at one time. We need four dressers per show to help with these quick changes and dressing the younger cast members.

Fundraising - We need a team of people willing to put fundraising activities together to support Starship Dance Theater.

Please Sign up today!! If you have any questions please contact Kim Herard, Production Manager @ 203-887-3628 or <u>kimherard@literacyhow.com</u>. Thank you!