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That's Entertainment

Recital time is approaching so please be sure to read this important newsletter about all that is going on. Mark your calendars with all the dates and times! Many of the questions we receive can be answered in this newsletter, so please keep it.



Tickets will go on sale April 15th at 7 AM. Seats for the show will NOT be general admission. All seats will be assigned, but you will have a choice on where you would like to sit. Friday night and Saturday matinee tickets can be purchased through www.tututix.com/americandanceacademy or by calling 855-222-2TIX. Ticket prices are \$18 to \$22 (plus processing fees) depending on the seating area chosen.

There is no minimum or maximum number of tickets to purchase. You will need a credit or debit card to buy tickets, and tickets will be sold on a first come, first served basis. So, buy early to get better seats! Tickets will not be sold at the door but will be available for online purchase up to the time of the event

You'll have several options for how you want your ticket delivered. You can have it emailed to you, sent to your mobile phone internet browser, and even add it to your Apple Wallet at no charge! Or, you can choose to have TutuTix mail you foilembossed keepsake tickets for an additional fee– with your dancer's name printed directly on the ticket!



Are you interested in the Dance Company? Now for Rising 1st graders and up!!

Invitations to audition for the dance company will go out at the end of March/beginning of April. An informative parent meeting will be held after invitations go out for parents to gather and ask questions. That meeting will be Wednesday, April 24th from 7:30-8:30 pm. There will also be a Petite/Mini Meet & Dance Party for ages 5-8 on Monday, May 13th from 4:30-5:30 pm.

Come see what the ADA Dance Company is all about!

If your child is interested and does not receive an invitation please leave your name at the front desk. Summer sessions are required for all dance company members. See news page of website for more info.

ADA Dance Company Audition Dates:

Monday May 13th: 4:30-5:30 Current dancers in Kinderdance/Elem 1/Elem 2 Wednesday May 15th: 5:30-6:30 Current dancers in Level 1, 2, & 3 Monday May 20th: 7:45-9:30 Current dancers in Level 4/5 and select dancers in Level 3 (see invitation)

SUMMER CAMP/ INTENSIVES

Registrations have begun! Hold your spot with a \$20 deposit. Balance due the first day of camp/intensive

Register one dancer for two or more camps or intensives and get any additional camps/intensives for 1/2 PRICE!

> Closing for Spring Break <u>March 29th -</u> <u>April 5th</u>

Recital Update

RECITAL INFO

Important Information will be added to the "News" page of our website and put in a Recital Section.

All dancers will report to an assigned dressing room on the Dress Rehearsal and Show nights. Dancers in PS1, PS2, Kinderdance, and any other dancer who is in only the first half will be picked up during intermission. Following their dance, they will return to the dressing room or wait for the "Little Finale" depending on when they perform in the show. They are to be picked up during intermission and can either leave or watch the second half. If watching the second half, they can either sit on a parent's lap or have a ticket purchased to have their own seat.

To keep congestion in the dressing room to a minimum, ONLY stage moms will be permitted in the dressing rooms. Nobody is permitted in the dressing room during the show unless they have the Stage Mom Badge. All other moms will be permitted in the dressing room after the finale. **No men allowed in our girls dressing room areas!**



RECITAL COSTUMES

Costume distribution is through the month of March. The

Shoe/Tight List and Costume Direction Sheet will be added to the Recital Info section of the website. All tights are to be either Capezio Ballet Pink (BPK) or Capezio Light Suntan (LSN). If you would like a tan tight (ballet must be pink) that better matches your dancer's skin tone please find another color in the Capezio style number that is provided. We only stock the light suntan color as it matches best with our jazz and tap shoes. Please check all costumes as soon as you receive them and call within one week to report any discrepancies. Costumes will not be given out to children whose accounts are not paid to date, the costumes will be given.

CLASS STAGE MOM SIGN UPS

MOMS - we need your help for recital week! Sign-Ups will be done online through Sign Up Genius. An email with sign up link will be sent out on April 1st. There will be a stage mom Zoom meeting on May 1st from 7:30-8:15 pm. Stage moms help the dancers backstage with costume changes and help to line the dancers up and walk them backstage when our backstage managers tells them it's time. (Sorry Dads - we can only use you in the boy's dressing room.) All stage parents are to report to the last class before the recital. REMEMBER - NO OTHER PARENTS WILL BE ALLOWED BACKSTAGE WHEN THE SHOW IS GOING ON IN ORDER TO KEEP CONGESTION TO A MINIMUM!!! A badge will be given to each stage parent to distinguish them. <u>These stage parents will be required to be at all the rehearsals with the students.</u>

* Stage moms are <u>not</u> babysitters on Dry Run – parents must stay with their children or ask another parent to watch them.

Lost & Found

We have a big collection of different articles left in the studio without names. These items labeled "Lost & Found" are in the waiting room. Please check for anything you may be missing. Everything that is left gets donated to charity at the end of our season.

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Account balances must be paid in full by May 1st. <u>CHILDREN WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO DANCE</u> <u>IN THE RECITAL IF BALANCES ARE NOT PAID IN</u> <u>FULL.</u>

Thank you for your cooperation!

RECITAL WEEK

As the season progresses, excitement is building for our big production. Routines are being practiced and perfected. All classes are doing different dances, so at this time it is very important that your child attend his/her scheduled class each week. ALL REHEARSALS AND SHOW DATES ARE MANDATORY. REHEARSALS ARE JUST AS IMPORTANT AS THE SHOW NIGHTS AND THEY ALLOW THE CHILDREN, THE STAFF, AND MYSELF TO FAMILIARIZE OURSELVES WITH THE SURROUNDINGS. Both rehearsals and recital dates are at <u>St. Mark's High School</u> located at 2501 Pike Creed Road, Wilmington, DE 19808. **REMINDER:** the studio will be closed this entire week. Please be sure to purchase any tights/shoes you may need from us before this week!

Monday, May 6th - No classes & No rehearsals

Rest up for the busy week ahead!

Tuesday, May 7th - DRY RUN

No costumes. Students will wear their regular dance attire in black (pink OR tan tights permitted). Hip Hop & Pom dancers should wear ALL black. Everyone is to wear the proper shoes. A half hour time slot will be allotted per a number of dances between the hours of 4:30 pm and 8:30 pm. I will try my best to remain on schedule. Parents must stay with their children. Children must remain seated, no running around. They will be called up by class.

Wednesday, May 8th - DRESS REHEARSAL

ADMISSION WILL BE WITH WRISTBAND **ONLY**. Wristbands will be given with final information sheet-one per family. Extras can be purchased at the same price as a ticket. All students will report at 5:30 pm dressed in their first costume to their designated dressing room. This rehearsal is like the show night and will be THE **ONLY** NIGHT THAT PICTURES AND VIDEOS WILL BE ALLOWED!!!

Thursday, May 9th - No classes & No rehearsals

Friday, May 10th - SHOW at 6:30

Dancers report to dressing room in costume by 6:00 pm for line up. Dressing rooms open at 5:30 pm.

Saturday, May 11th - SHOW at 2:00

Dancers report to dressing room in costume by 1:30 pm for line up. Dressing rooms open at 1:00 pm.

MORE **SPECIFIC DETAILS WILL BE GIVEN AS THE SHOW DATE APPROACHES!!!

Remainder of the season after the show:

May 13th-18th: After GLOW Party Week This is the week of our dance company auditions, see page 1. May 18th-23rd: Bring a Friend/Try any new class for FREE Week May 23rd: Last day of classes for the 2023-24 season



PROGRAM BOOK ADS

Our program book reaches an audience of 1500-2000 people. It is a wonderful way to write a message to a dancer for him/her to keep as a special memento. For those of you who have a business - our audience can be your audience as well. Remember, people want to patronize businesses that have supported their own children. Your contribution and interest are greatly appreciated!

We are currently selling business and/or personal ads for our program book. **The deadline for this is April 15th**. You may look through the samples at the studio for ad ideas. Ad Sizes & Prices are as follows:

Full Page 4.75 x 7.75 @ \$169 Half Page 4.75 x 3.875 @ \$117 Quarter Page Vertical 2.375 x 3.875 @ \$78 Quarter Page Horizontal 4.75 x 1.9375 @ \$78 Bold Listing 2.375 x 1 @ \$52 One Spot available – Outside Back Cover \$240 One Spot available – Inside Back Cover \$208

IF YOU PLAN TO CREATE YOUR OWN AD... PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION CAREFULLY.

Advertisers wishing to provide a picture, printed ad or copy of a specific graphic can do so. Ads or items that are being provided by you, <u>MUST BE</u> high resolution (jpg, tiff, or <u>pdf files ONLY</u>) and can be e-mailed to <u>dawn@patioprinting.com</u>. *Ads that are provided in MS Word, Works or similar format <u>WILL NOT</u> maintain their original appearance and will be adjusted at the printers discretion. Ads that are being typeset by the printer are laid out at the discretion of the typesetter. Order forms are attached. *Read Form Carefully.

FALL REGISTRATION

Fall schedules will be distributed by the end of April with registration starting after the recital. Priority registration for current families will be from May 15th-May 31st. New students can register starting June 1st.

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