



February Newsletter

Congratulations! Coppelia was a huge success! I would like to thank the audience for their support. Children need to be exposed to all the classics, not just Nutcracker. A big thank you to all of our volunteers, too.

I continually emphasize a strict and structured Ballet program as a supportive basis for our entire advanced curriculum. Our dancers are recognized for their technical expertise and professionalism. Dance attire and hair requirements are NOT negotiable. Proper manners and class deportment are expected. Please respect our requirements and encourage compliance.

In addition, children that do not take ballet or dance over the summer will not be allowed to compete or participate in any extra performances.

The recital is just around the corner, so please remember that only 3 absences are allowed per semester. If a student misses more than 3 classes, then it is up to the instructor's discretion to take a student out of parts or the entire dance. Please call and let the instructor know in advance of absences.

Our annual recital takes place June 10th and 11th. Recital tickets will go on sale Saturday, April 16th. Individualized recital packets will be handed out at our next Parent Visiting Day, March 7-12. Please mark on your calendar that the recital dress rehearsal is Thursday, June 9th.

IMPORTANT DATES

SESSION II DATES

- January 24th, 2011 through June 11th, 2011

TUITION PAYMENT DATES

- January 24th, February 21st, March 21st, April 18th, and May 16th. (5 monthly payments due every 4 weeks.)
- Auto-pay will be available starting in September. Please see Ms. Bonnie for more information.
- Late fees will be collected by our accountant. A \$10 charge will apply after the 5th of the month.

REGISTRATION

- Register for Summer and Session II classes Monday through Friday, 5-7 PM and Saturday 8:45-1PM
- Early registration for Session II ends April 1, 2011. Register early to lock in this year's rates!

DISNEY PERFORMANCE

- Easter Weekend, 2012

RIVERFEST

- September, 2011.
- Dancers **MUST** attend summer classes in order to perform at RiverFest. This is a great performance opportunity to help introduce our community to the art of dance. Mark your calendars!

WILDWOOD, NJ DANCE EXPO

- July, 2011.
- Dancers **MUST** attend summer classes in order to perform at the Dance Expo. This is a great performance opportunity to help introduce our community to the art of dance. Mark your calendars!

NUTCRACKER

- Auditions – September 27th at the studio. Please be prepared to dance in pointe shoes if auditioning for solo roles.

COMPETITION

- February 20th, 2011
McCollough Middle School
20 Chase Avenue
New Castle, DE 19720
- Please see Ms. Bonnie if interested in competing. Models and dancers welcome.

RECITALS

- June 10th and 11th, 2011
- Dress rehearsal: June 9th, 2011

ADULT CLASSES

- We offer Adult Beginner Ballet, Tap, and Jazz during Session II and Summer. Discounted rates are offered for adults who have children enrolled at the studio.

DANCE ATTIRE

- Please remember proper dance attire and hair for class!

CLOSINGS

- The studio is closed on Brandywine School District snow days, Winter Break, and Spring Break, as well as Labor and Memorial Day Weekends and Thanksgiving weekend. We do not close for school in-service days, or single day holidays such as Columbus Day or Election Day.

COSTUME MONEY

- Costume money is due February 28th. Division II and above will require a deposit in September, with the balance due in December.