

HAPPY SPRING!!



Artistic Dance Unlimited April Newsletter

Only two more months and it will be time for ADU's annual recital. Alette and Ursula are very excited and want to make the recital extra special for the students as well as the parents. There will be lots of information that will follow over the next two months. Please read the newsletters in their entirety and check the dry erase board in the lobby.



PARENT OBSERVATION/INFORMATION WEEK APRIL 12th - 15th!

Parents are invited and encouraged to be present for their children's class/classes. The Instructors will be giving out a recital info packet and will discuss important information with the parents and students. Due to the amount of important information that we need to go over during these days we ask for as few interruptions as possible. When you come to watch your child's class we ask that you please turn your cell phones on vibrate and have conversations outside of the dance room. Please refrain from talking while the information is being given and if possible arrange childcare for younger siblings. This will be a great time for parents to ask questions. Costumes will be tried on and handed out. **Your child will not receive their costume if all outstanding balances have not been paid. This is an important week! Please try to be present!**

PARENT VOLUNTEERS—Parents will drop their children off to the appropriate dressing rooms on the night of recital. Parents will not be allowed to stay backstage during the length of the recital. We require 2 parent volunteers per class (3 year olds and Teen classes may only require 1 volunteer). The parent volunteers will be able to see their child's dance from the backstage area. However they will not be able to watch the recital in its entirety. The Parent volunteer will be responsible for helping their assigned group with costume and shoe changes, lining the students up, and making sure behavior of the students is kept under control. If you are interested, please sign up in the lobby during parent observation week.

RECITAL INFORMATION

RECITAL FEE—There will be a \$30.00 **per student** recital fee due no later than **May 1st**. A recital fee is common at all dance studios. This fee is used to help cover expenses of producing the show which includes Facility costs (which include custodial, sound and lighting fees), programs, advertising, decorations, etc. The fee you will pay will also cover a special trophy given to your child in honor of their participation in the recital. Please indicate on the memo line of your check when paying your recital fees. Thanks!

RECITAL TICKET INFORMATION

Tickets will go on sale for "ADU Celebrates 10 years" on May 1st. You may purchase tickets at ADU, Clayton Center for the Arts box office, or through Tickets Unlimited.

PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT!

Parents please encourage your students to practice their recital routines. Students may bring a blank cd to class and the instructors will make a copy of the student's music at the teacher's earliest convenience. **Please write the child's name and class on the cd.**

Attendance is very important over the next two months as choreography is being completed and dances are getting polished and ready for recital performances.

DANCE PICTURES

Individual and group dance pictures will be taken at the studio on the week of April 27th – 30th by Photoplay (formerly NSYNC) Photography (No regular dance classes this week. Only pictures). The schedule is in the lobby. We are very pleased to have secured this company. The dates in April are the only ones that the photographer will be at our studio. It is important for every student to appear in their group picture. You are not obligated to have individual pictures made. Photoplay Photography will be making a large display that will hang in the studio with all of the students who have their picture taken. We want all of the students to be remembered so please make every effort to have them here for their group pictures. Photoplay has very reasonable prices. They will require that all packages be paid in advance so make sure you come prepared to purchase your dancer's pictures. Photoplay Photography takes their photographs with a digital camera therefore you will know immediately if you are not pleased with the photograph. You will be advised of Hair and Make-up during Parent Observation week. **STUDENTS MUST HAVE THE PROPER COLOR OF SHOES AND TIGHTS BY PICTURE DAY.** The tights for recital are as follows: **Ballet-Capezio ballet pink style #1815x for the 3-year – old class only. Capezio ballet pink style # 1815C (for Children) and #1815 for adult sizes. Caramel tights for tap and jazz classes unless advised otherwise.**

**** Please check recital line up in lobby to make sure your child's name is spelled correctly and that they are listed under the correct dance. Please let Jessica know if there needs to be a correction or write correction on line up.

**** Recital Dates are as follows:**

Friday June 4th at 7:00 pm and Saturday June 5th at 2:00 pm and 7:00 pm

Rehearsal Date is Thurs June 3rd from 1:00- 9:00 pm. Rehearsals are mandatory. A schedule will be posted in the lobby. Stage rehearsal for Dance Co. members only will be Friday June 4th from 1:00-3:30 pm

HIP HOP SHOES

As stated in the August newsletter, students enrolled for hip hop classes will need to purchase shoes appropriate for the costume. Notes providing the shoes information have been handed out in the individual classes. If you have any questions please call the studio and leave a message. All shoes must be purchased prior to picture day.

STUDIO REMINDERS:

- Hair must be pulled away from face. The students have been told this since August.
- **TUITION IS DUE THE FIRST LESSON OF EACH MONTH AND IS LATE AFTER THE 10TH OF THE MONTH**
- **ALL FEES MUST BE PAID IN FULL TO DATE FOR STUDENTS TO RECEIVE THEIR COSTUMES DURING PARENT OBSERVATION WEEK.**

DANCE COMPANY REMINDERS

- Schedules for Stage One and Celebration Talent will be posted this month on Company board. Make sure you know the dressed and ready times.
- National fees are due **NO LATER** than April 29th.
- Rehearsal schedule for Nationals is Monday June 14th from 1-4p.m. and Monday June 21st from 9a.m.-12p.m. **MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!**
- A \$50 fee will be charged for rehearsals and is due by June 1st 2010

SUMMER CAMP SUMMER SESSION INFO

The ADU summer camp and summer session dates have been set and brochures are in the lobby. Enrollment is limited so please register you child ASAP. The summer camp is a fun time for our dancers to try different disciplines of dance, meet new friends, and prepare themselves for the up-coming dance year. The summer session is a great way for our present students to keep up their dance technique and flexibility throughout the summer. Take an extra brochure and pass it along to a friend. We hope to see you all this summer!

FALL SCHEDULE

Our 2010-2011 Class Schedules will be available by the first of May. We will have an “early bird” registration for our present students before we send schedules to those on our waiting list. This is a great time to choose the classes and times you may want for next year. Plus, you will receive a discounted enrollment fee if you register prior to the recital.

RECITAL FLOWER INFORMATION

Don't forget to order your flowers for Recital Night!

Beautiful bouquets will be available from Mulberries Flowers, owned and operated by dance company mom Samantha Andersen. A portion of the proceeds from flower sales will go to the Dance Company Booster Club.

Look for order forms in the lobby during Parent Observation Week through Picture Week. Deadline to order flowers will be Friday May 16th. For more info, contact Samantha (865-617-4449) or at mulberriesdesign@aol.com, or for photos of her work, www.mulberriesdesign.com

MAKE UP CLASS SCHEDULE

- Thursday Junior level classes will make up their classes on Tuesday May 18th.
 - Thurs. Jr Ballet II and III will go to Tues Jr Ballet II from 4-5 in room B
 - Thurs Jr Ballet I will go to Tues Jr. Ballet I from 4-5 in room A
 - Thurs Jr Tap II and III will go to Tues Jr Tap II from 5-5:45 in room B
 - Thurs Jr Tap I will go to Tues Jr Tap I from 5-5:45 in room D
 - Thurs Jr Jazz II and III will go to Tues Jr Jazz II from 5:45-6:30 in room B
 - Thurs Jr Jazz I will go to Tues Jr Jazz I from 5:45-6:30 in room D
 - Thurs Jr Hip Hop II/III and go to Tues Jr Hip Hop II from 6:30-7:15 in room D
 - Thurs Jr Hip Hop I will go to Tues Jr Hip Hop I from 6:30-7:15 in room B
- Thursday 4/5 year old class will come to the Tuesday 4/5 year old class from 4:30-5:30 on May 18th in room C
- Thursday 6/7 year old class will come to Tuesday 6/7 year old class from 6:00-7:00 on May 18th in room C
- Thursday 3 year old class will meet Monday May 17th from 4:00-5:00 during Ms. Emily's 4/5 year old class in room B.
- Sr. Pointe, Sr. Jazz, Sr. Hip Hop, Teen Jazz, and Teen Hip Hop will make up their classes on Tues May 25th during the Intermediate classes (Teen Jazz will go into Intermediate Jazz, Teen Hip Hop in Intermediate Hip Hop, etc.)
 - Intermediate Ballet is 5-6:30 in room A
 - Pre Pointe is 6:30-7 in room A
 - Intermediate Jazz is 7-8 in room A
 - Intermediate Hip Hop 8-8:45 in room A
- Wed. 4/5 year old class will come Tuesday May 25th to the 4/5 year old class from 4:30-5:30 in room C.
- Wed 5/7 pre Jazz class will come Tuesday May 25th to the pre Jazz class from 5:30-6:00 in room C.
- Wed. 6/7 year old class will come Tuesday May 25th to the 6/7 year old class from 6:00-7:00 in room C.