Fall Semester Info & Announcements

Recital 2017 Costume Deposits

Recital costume deposits are due Oct 15th for any child wishing to participate in our June 4th performance. Only children who have made a costume deposit by October 15th will be cast in the production (most students made their deposit upon registration) and receive a costume. Invoices for costume balances will be distributed during class time by November 1st and final balances will be due November 15th. You may make your costume deposit online by <u>clicking here</u> (link on the right hand side). Recital information packets which include portrait, dress rehearsal, cast call and other information will be distributed in February. Measurements will be taken during class between now and Nov 1st. Check out your child's costume by <u>clicking here</u>!

Recital 2017 5 Year Director's Award

2016-2017 5 Year Award recipients have been <u>posted here</u>. This list represents students enrolled in September-December of 2012 and will be announced for awards at this year's recital ceremony. Please verify that you child has been included if this is his or her 5th year.

Oct TUTU-ber Costume Contest: Sat, Oct 29- Fri, Nov 5

Wear your sassy, frilly, funny, creative tutus (or Halloween costumes) to class during our Tutu Contest week for a chance to win prizes! Four "Teachers' Favorite Tutus' will win a candy-filled Halloween slurpee cup during the week of the contest. All entries will be posted on the website where you can then vote for your favorite. Winner receives a \$20 gift certificate to the boutique and other goodies! Have your vote in by November 10th so we can announce winners.

Paint & Sip Fundraiser November 19th at 7pm

We will be holding a Paint & Sip on Saturday, Nov 19th to raise funds for our 10 new Snow Corps, professional 7 piece bodice tutus. It will be a fun night to hang out with staff and other parents at the studio. RSVP required; details and RSVP by <u>clicking here</u>!

November 20th Nutcracker Rehearsal/Demo at Nathan Hale Senior Village

Nutcracker rehearsal on Sunday, Nov 20th will be held at the Nathan Hale Senior Village in Lynbrook from 3-7pm (leaving Merrick at 3). It is a very special demonstration for the dancers and for the senior citizens. Families of dancers are welcome to attend but parking is limited. Please <u>email Ms Erin</u> if you'd like to arrange a carpool or are available to drive others.

Field Trip to see New York City Ballet's 'The Nutcracker' at Lincoln Center

December 11th at 5pm! Tickets are \$125 per person for a group minimum of 20. Jaclyn Houseknecht (Catalina's mom) will be helping to coordinate the trip and you can email her for questions or to RSVP with your payment, guest count and email address at <u>jaclynymiller@gmail.com</u>. Cash only for ticket payment. There will be a locked mailbox at the front desk for Jaclyn's attention to leave payments. Friends and family are welcome! Details will be emailed directly to attendees. Please sign up before Oct 15th!

Spring Gala Fundraiser Thursday, April 27th at La Piazza:

"Salon Parisienne"

Mark your calendars for the spring auction and gala. Volunteers are needed for gala committee. Our first meeting will be on Nov 10th. Please email <u>Ms Erin</u> if you are interested in getting involved with planning.

December 17th Belt Assessments & Prospective Student Open House Saturday, Dec 17th from 1:30-3:30, specific times will be assigned. Check with your teacher or <u>review online</u> to be sure you are meeting the pre-requisites for your next belt before scheduling an assessment. <u>Click to schedule your belt assessment</u>.

Recital 2016 Photo Gallery

Our photographer, Stacy has extended the Photo Gallery from last year's recital to Oct 10th for final orders. Please note there will be a \$25 charge to re-open the gallery after Oct 10th. You may contact Stacy directly with any questions or for ordering information at Stacy Marie Photography: (631) 576-6350

Take-in/Take-out Garbage Policy

Please remember that we have a take-in/take-out policy for all leftover/garbage food items and diapers brought into the studio. We only get garbage pick up twice a week from the town. We appreciate your cooperation.

If you registered late or missed our September welcome info email blast, you may find past messages on the website by <u>clicking here</u> or under 'Explore', 'Contact Us', 'Email Messages'. The welcome email includes important info on how to use the website, contact info and our school year <u>calendar</u>.

Happy Fall, Y'all!