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MAY 2010 NEWSLETTER

PICTURE WEEK IS NEAR MAY 10-15 (during class)

Recital pictures will be taken at the studio the week of May 10-15 during the regular class. Students should come to class in their costume and plan to leave it on for their entire class. They will dance some of that day. Students who have a change of costume should have a parent or other responsible adult with them to assist with their change. Costumes should be finished and hair and makeup should be done on arrival at the studio. There is not time to do these things before pictures. (Questions on costumes, hair, makeup should be asked before picture day!) Combo II & III students should wear their tap costume first and then change into their ballet costume. All students should wear light makeup. All ballet students should have their hair slicked back and in a bun, all other classes wear hair as assigned by the individual teachers. **NO BANGS** for any class. Class moms, please ask the teacher about hair and call the other parents to inform them. Students may not wear any jewelry (including ear studs) or nail polish and should have on clean tights and shoes. If you have not purchased your tights yet, you need

to do so at once. Class moms should check with the teachers to see if there is any information about costumes that should be relayed to parents before pictures.

Specific information and order forms are available at the front desk for pictures. All students will be in the class picture (even if you do not purchase one). **Individual pictures will be taken only if ordered and paid for before/on picture day. Group pictures will be made only for those who order and pay for them on picture day.**

**MEMORIAL DAY HOLIDAY
MAY 29-31
NO CLASSES**

Pre-Order pictures May 3-8 !

The photographer will be at the studio May 3-8 to take pre-orders for pictures. This will help with the craziness of picture week and you will receive a 5% discount if you pre-order!!

**Diva Pre Show—Sunday, June 13—1:30 p.m.
The Divas will present some of their solos and group dances before the recital.**

RECITAL VIDEOS

The recital will be professionally videotaped. Tapes will be available for purchase and may be ordered with the form available at the front desk. The students love watching the video over and over again learning all the other dances! I have had many parents tell me it was a fabulous investment!

Parents and others may videotape and take pictures during the dress rehearsal only. (When you see parents of 200 children with cameras you'll understand why we can't do this during the show!) Do NOT use FLASH photography while the students are dancing on stage. This is very dangerous as it blinds the dancers. We appreciate your cooperation in not bringing cameras to the shows (they will not be allowed in the theatre). Thanks for setting a good example to your chil-

RUN-THRUS AT THE STUDIO: "Shrek, The Recital": June 1-5 "La Boutique Fantasque": June 5-9

Run thru rehearsals will be held June 1-5 for "Shrek, The Recital" (tap, jazz, modern, cm) and June 5-9 for "La Boutique Fantasque" (ballet). There are no regular classes during run-thrus (unless notified by your teacher). You will come to the studio during the specific day/time for your dance (list of dances & times attached). Costumes are not worn at run thrus. **Run-thrus are MANDATORY for all students participating in the recital.** Most classes will come for a 1 1/2 hour block of time. During this time the class will rehearse individually and with all the other classes in their section. The classes will also learn and rehearse the finale. Run-thrus have proven to make dress rehearsal run faster, smoother, and be less confusing and stressful for the students. If you have any questions about your day/time for run-thrus, please check with the teacher or front desk.

BACKSTAGE VOLUNTEERS

We always need backstage help in order to be sure that your child is not left unattended. If you volunteer to help "before" your child's dance, you will be with the class about 30 min. prior to performance and up until they leave to go backstage. This gives you plenty of time to get to the auditorium to see your child's dance. If you sign up to help "after" the dance, you go immediately following your child's dance on stage and remain there until intermission or finale.

All the teachers are backstage during the recital. Without volunteers your child's class will be unsupervised in the hallways of the building. Please help in this very important role. It is impossible to put 200 children on stage without the help of fabulous volunteers! Show your children how much you care - please sign up at the front desk.

COSTUMES, ETC. @ Dress Rehearsal

Students should arrive to dress rehearsal in their first costume. Dressing room space is at a minimum. Students may sit in the audience in costume AT DRESS REHEARSAL ONLY. Students should arrive at recital in costume with a COVER UP ON (dad's shirts or bathrobes work great). Do NOT go into audience with costume on during recital. Sit together with your class.

CLASS MOMS should see that all costumes look exactly alike and make sure that there are adult supervisors with the class before and after the performance. If there are any questions concerning the costume, please let the class mom approach the teachers with the questions so we can save precious time for all of us.

SHOES should be neat and clean. There should be absolutely no holes in shoes. The strings of ballet slippers should be taped to the inside of the shoe. Tap shoes should be secured with a loop of black elastic (tap ties must be solid black).

HAIR should be slicked back and in a bun for ballet. The bun should be secured with a hairnet and hairpins that matches the hair color. Absolutely no hair clips, barrettes, or bows should be used. Hairstyles for all other dances will be communicated to the class by the individual teacher. No jewelry of any kind may be worn on stage (or for pictures). Jewelry that is left on will be held backstage. As busy as everyone is there is not guarantee it will not be lost.

MAKEUP - All students should wear makeup including Creative Movement. Makeup includes base, blush, lipstick, eye shadow (to compliment your eye & hair color - brown or purple - NO blue), eyeliner and mascara. **See attached make up order form/information.**

DRESS REHEARSAL AT UNT "Shrek, The Recital" - Thurs., June 10 "La Boutique Fantasque" - Friday, June 11

Dress rehearsal is in the Main Auditorium at The University of North Texas in Denton. MAPS ARE AVAILABLE ON WEBSITE. If you have never been there before, PLEASE give yourself time to find it - it can be confusing!

JUNE 10—DRESS REHEARSAL FOR "Shrek, The Recital"

JUNE 11- DRESS REHEARSAL FOR "La Boutique Fantasque"

One parent should accompany and stay with student to the dress rehearsal. No Siblings. Students are NOT to be dropped off! Teachers are busy on stage with the rehearsal and there is no one available to be responsible for your child but you. We need your help to keep the students seated quietly and not running around the auditorium. It is best to leave siblings at home! Dancers may remain in the audience for a large portion of the dress rehearsal. They will remain backstage during the recital. Schedules for your specific times are attached. Students should not leave until dismissed. Most classes will be given a two hour block of time to stay for rehearsal plus a time to run through the finale. **DRESS REHEARSAL IS MANDATORY FOR ALL STUDENTS PARTICIPATING IN THE SHOW.**

Schedules for run-thrus & dress rehearsal are attached. Although we are happy to help on the phone, someone is not always available, and the person answering the phone may not be sure of your class and times required to come. It is always best to check with the teacher specifically.

**YOU NEED TO KNOW THE SECTION/ACT YOU ARE IN &
THE NAME OF YOUR DANCE!**

SUMMER CLASSES JUNE 21—JULY 22

We are excited that you have begun signing up for summer classes. If you have not picked up your summer schedule we hope you'll stop by the front desk and pick one up soon. Many exciting classes are offered this summer. Keep your technique up! Deadline for enrolling for summer classes is June 9.

DEADLINE FOR 5% YEAR ROUND DISCOUNT AND \$25 OFF ENROLLMENT FEE IS MAY 22.

Continue to polish up those ballet technique levels and try something new this summer. Don't be a couch potato. We have found that students who take the summer off require 2-3 months on return in the fall to catch up to the level where they left off in June!

Check out the exciting classes offered: Ballet, Tap, Jazz, Lyrical, Modern, Hip Hop, Musical Theatre, & Conditioning.

PERFECT ATTENDANCE CONTEST !

The perfect attendance contest continues through May and June. Congratulations to those of you who maintained such an excellent record through April. You will be receiving a certificate of award at the Awards Ceremony at the recital. We hope you will keep up the good record as recital time draws near.

Remember, we reserve the right to withdraw students from the recital for more than three absences, or absences during "mandatory attendance" periods.

TUITION & ACCOUNT BALANCES

Reminder that May tuition is due **in advance of the 1st lesson of the month** and is considered late after May 5. Accounts are assessed a \$15 late fee per week after the 5th. We appreciate all who make prompt payments!

All accounts must be clear by May 15 in order for students to participate in run-thrus, dress rehearsal & recital. If you have any questions about your account, please check with us.

RECITAL FLOWERS - It is a tradition in dance to give flowers to the performer.



Once again, Repertory Dance Theatre of Texas will provide flower service to you as one of their major fundraisers of the year. Please get an information sheet and order form on the front counter. Flowers will be delivered to UNT for you on Recital Day. Please note ordering deadline! Thanks!

AUDITIONS

If you are interested in the Divas Competition Team or RDTT please fill out an audition form. Dancers will be evaluated /auditioned during the first week of summer classes (June 21-24) Reminder - all competition team members and RDTT members must take class year round - don't forget to sign up for summer classes. Enrollment deadline for discounts is May 22.

THE DIVAS COMPETITION TEAM & REPERTORY DANCE THEATRE OF TEXAS

Members of all performing groups must audition or be invited to join.

Information on all groups is available at the front desk.

To be considered for 10-11 performing groups dancers must fill out audition form and enroll in summer & fall classes by May 22.

Be part of the National Award Winning DCJ Legacy!

COMPETITION TEAM - AGE 6 & UP
RDTT - AGE 8 & UP

***Kid's Club, age 6 & up—sign up;
summer dance not required.***

RECITAL T-SHIRTS

DUE TO UNT POLICY WE WILL ONLY BE ABLE TO TAKE ADVANCE ORDERS FOR RECITAL T-SHIRTS. THEY WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE WITHOUT PRIOR ORDER. **PLEASE TURN IN ORDER BY MAY 16.**

\$15 EACH

SIZES: CHILD 4-6, 10-12, 14-16
ADULT S, M, L, XL

STUDENT _____

SIZE _____ QTY _____

PARENT SIGNATURE _____

\$ _____ ENCLOSED

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER !!

MAY 15	Deadline for recital t-shirt orders
May 3-8	Pre-order pictures and receive 5% discount!
MAY 10-15	Pictures at the studio (during regular classes) (all orders must be pre-paid)
MAY 22	Deadline for Summer & Fall enrollment for discount Audition forms due for Divas and RDTT
MAY 29-31	Memorial Day Holiday - no class
June 1-5	<i>Run thrus for “Shrek, The Recital” at the dance studio—MANDATORY</i>
JUNE 5-9	<i>Run thrus for “La Boutique Fantasque” at studio - mandatory attendance</i>
JUNE 10 (Thursday)	Dress rehearsal for “Shrek, The Recital” <u>at UNT</u>
JUNE 11 (Friday)	Dress rehearsal for “La Boutique Fantasque” <u>at UNT</u>
JUNE 12	<i>“La Boutique Fantasque” - UNT, 6:00 PM</i>
June 13	<i>Diva Pre show—UNT 1:00 pm</i>
JUNE 13	<i>“Shrek, The Recital” - UNT, 2:30 PM</i>
June 9	Summer enrollment due
June 10-20	<i>Studio closed (enroll on line or mail tuition and enrollment forms)</i>
June 21-July 22	Summer Session I, II, III, IV
July 23-Aug. 7	<i>Studio closed (enroll on line or mail tuition and enrollment forms)</i>
AUGUST 9	FALL SEMESTER BEGINS

All students participating in Recital must attend run thrus, dress rehearsal and regular classes during all of May & June in order to perform in recital.

ALL STUDENTS PLANNING ON PARTICIPATING IN COMPETITION TEAM, AND/OR REPERTORY DANCE THEATRE OF TEXAS FOR 10-11 MUST ATTEND Session I & III SUMMER CLASSES.

“La Boutique Fantasque” - ballet students

Run thrus - at the dance studio (no costumes) - June 5-9

Dress Rehearsal - Main Auditorium, UNT - Friday, June 11 (come at times below)

Recital - Main Auditorium, UNT - SAT., JUNE 12 - 6:00 PM

CLASSES LISTED IN ORDER OF PERFORMANCE	RUN THRUS AT THE STUDIO June 5-9	DRESS REH. AT UNT FRIDAY, JUNE 11
Act I—The Toyshop		
Thief, Shopkeeper DCJ Jr. Mini Divas Dolls DCJ	Monday, June 7 4:30-5:30 pm	2:30—3:30 pm
Jr. Divas (Rose Ballet) Shoppers DCJ Mon. 8:30 Villagers Lisa Thr. 5:45 Combo I Dolls Jordan Tue. 5:45 Shoppers Darrell Sat. 10:45 Combo II Dolls Jordan Mini Divas (La Petite) Dolls DCJ Mon. 5:30 Shoppers Sarah Thr. 4:30 Combo II Dolls Courtney	Monday, June 7 5:30—7:30 pm + Shopkeeper until 8:30 Americans & Russians: 7:00-8:30 pm	3:00-4:30 pm
Mon. 5:30 Lev. III Americans DCJ Mon. 5:30 Combo II Chinese Dolls Jordan Tue. 5:45 Scottish Dolls Jordan Mon. 7:00 Lev. V Russians DCJ Wed. 5:45 Com I Hungarian Dolls Courtney Thur. 5:30 Cossacks DCJ	Tuesday, June 8 5:30—7:30 pm +Shopkeeper • Americans & Russians stay until 8:30 pm	4:00—5:30 pm
INTERMISSION		
Act II		
Emily McAfee Coppelia Jordan Thur. 6:30 Lev. III Spanish Courtney Sat. 9:45 Combo I Music Box Dolls Jordan Mon. 4:45 Combo I Poodles Lisa Mon. 7:00 Harlequin Lisa	Wed. June 9 5:00—7:00 pm	6:00-7:30 pm
Mon. 5:30 Dolls Lisa Tues. 4:30 Combo I Clowns Courtney Wed. 4:15 Combo III Dutch Dolls Jordan Tues. 7:15 Lev. V Italian Dolls Courtney Brenna Can Can DCJ	Wed. June 9 6:30—8:00 pm	
INTERMISSION		
Act III		
Shopkeeper Mon. 5:30 Lev. III Americans DCJ Thurs. 7:15 Lev. V Russians DCJ Sat. 9:00 Soldiers Marie Brenna Can Can DCJ	**** Sat. June 5 *** 1:00-2:30 pm and Wed. June 9 8:00-9:00 pm	7:30—9:00 pm
FINALE—all dancers—rehearse at each run thru		5:30-6:00 pm (all students)
Parents—please come in to the studio the last 30 minutes of each rehearsal for instructions and information!		

“Shrek, The Recital ” - jazz, tap, modern, creative movement

Run thrus - at the dance studio (no costumes) - June 1-5

Dress Rehearsal - Main Auditorium, UNT - Thurs., June 10 (come at times below)

Recital - Main Auditorium, UNT - Sun., June 13- 2:30 PM (Diva pre show at 1:30)

CLASSES LISTED IN ORDER OF PERFORMANCE			RUN THRUS AT THE STUDIO	DRESS REH. AT UNT
CLASS DAY/TIME	TEACHER	NAME OF DANCE	June1-5	THURS., JUNE 10
Opening Number Opening Number	Courtney DCJ	Big Bright Beautiful World Story of My Life	Sat. June 5, 9:00-10:00 am	2:00-3:00 pm
Mon. 6:15 Jazz Mon. 7:00 Jazz III Sat. 9:45 Jazz I/II Sat. 11:15 Hip Hop Fionas (3 ages)	Lisa Jordan Marie Adam Jordan	Big Bright Beautiful World Don't Let Me Go You Ain't Never Had a Friend Like Me Little Red Riding Hood I Know It's Today	Tuesday, June 1 5:00—6:30pm	3:00-3:45 pm
Wed. 4:15 Com III Tap Wed. 5:00 Tap I/II Wed. 5:45 CM Thurs. 6:15 Jazz II Thurs. 4:30 Com II Tap Thurs. 7:45 Teen Jazz Tues. 6:30 Jazz	Jordan Courtney Jordan DCJ Courtney Rebecca Darrell	What's Up Duloc The Duloc Dancers Who's Afraid of the Big, Bad Wolf? The Travel Song Funky town I Saw the Sign Accidently in Love	Tuesday, June 1 6:30— 8:30 pm	3:30-4:30 pm
Mon. 8:15 Jazz V Wed. 7:30 Hip Hop II Jr. Mini Divas Sat. 10:45 Com II Tap Mon. 6:15 Jazz I Mini Divas Sr. Divas	Jordan Adam Jordan Jordan Sarah Jordan DCJ	Donkey Pot Pie All the Single Ladies Let's Hear It for the boy This is How a Dream Comes True Skeleton Song My boyfriend's Back Simply Irresistible	Wed June 2 5:00—6:30 pm	4:30-5:15 pm
INTERMISSION				Finale (all) - 5:30-6 pm
Jr. Divas Sat. 10:30 Lyr. V Mon. 5:30 Com II Tap Thur. 4:45 CM Sat. 9:00 CM Th. 7:00 Tap II/III	Jordan Courtney Jordan Jordan Jordan Rebecca	Hey, Baby Who I'd Be Morning Person Rockin Robin Flowers Rats	Wed., June 2 6:30-8:00 pm	6:30-7:30 pm
Sr. Divas Tues. 6:30 Jazz I/II Thurs. 5:45 Tap V Sat. 10:30 Tap I/II Maddie	Melissa Jordan Courtney Marie Jordan	Soon We'll Be Found I Think I Got You Beat Make a Move 3 Blind Mice Ain't No Sunshine	Thurs., June 3 5:30-7:30 pm	7:15-8:00 pm
Thurs. 8:15 Modern V Tues. 7:15 Hip Hop Thurs. 7:30 Lyrical III	Courtney Darrell Courtney	Build a Wall Get Your Freak On Big, Bright Beautiful World	Thurs., June 3 7:30-9:00 pm	8-8:30 pm
Hamilton School Mon. 4:15 CM	Jordan Jordan	You're an All Star I'm a Believer	Sat. June 5 10-11 am	6-6:30 pm
Finale	Jordan	Let Your Freak Flag Fly	Sat. 6/5, 11-noon	8:30-9:00 pm
Curtain Call	- ALL STUDENTS		End of run thrus	5:30-6:00 pm (ALL)

RECITAL MAKE UP!

We have some exciting news for you. After hours of lessons, we are sure that you want to see your child's face clearly when they take center stage and their lasting expressions are captured by our professional videographers. We have found a professional stage makeup that we strongly recommend. Professional recital makeup will make our dancers performance look great on stage. It will you save you a lot of time and effort trying to find the right makeup that will work for stage lighting.

The Opening Night Recital Kit contains an instruction booklet, a Pencil Eyeliner, Mascara, a highlight eye shadow in Daisy, a Dark Neutral Brown eye shadow in Clydesdale, a Lip stick pencil, True Red lipstick, and Neutral Blush in Faith . . . all in a pretty purple carrying case that hangs right on the costume hanger.

This is what we really love about the Opening Night Recital Kit:

The kit is simple, and age appropriate for recitals.

It is so convenient it actually hangs right on the costume hanger.

The full instructions are easy to follow and are included right in the kit.

Stagelite's makeup is a high quality, hypoallergenic product created specially for dancers.

Makeup is an integral part of the costume and dance education that we are providing your child. Introducing stage makeup at an early age gives us the professional quality performance that your child has trained for and prepares them for future performances.

Stagelite's Makeup was featured in the fashion shows at both the Dance Teacher Summer Conference and the United Dance Merchants Association where Glam Squad artists applied the makeup on hundreds of models! The Opening Night Recital Kit is the "industry standard" and we are delighted to be able to make these kits available to our girls at such a reasonable price.

You may view this kit online at www.stagelitemakeup.com. Look for the Opening Night Recital kit under Makeup Kits. Save on shipping by ordering through the dance studio.

You may login to view a FREE online workshop about how to apply makeup for Dance Recitals at: www.stagelitemakeup.com/recital

Dancers will need base, rose color blush, rose/red lipstick, eye shadow, eyeliner and mascara for pictures and recital. You may look at recital pictures posted in the hall for ideas of what looks good. Make up for recital needs to be much heavier than for pictures.

In order to make the recital an awesome success, this year we are offering a new recital make up kit. This is a wonderful opportunity for the studio, dancers, and parents! It will make our recital look so much more professional. It's hard to imagine what a difference true stage makeup makes on stage, but I can tell you that it does. Without it, the bright stage lights wash out ordinary fashion makeup and the girls often wind up looking like M & Ms on stage! With the make up kit you will get access to a makeup workshop online that you can watch to learn just how to use each piece in the kit to create a recital look. As far as the cost, if you compare what you're getting to the same quality makeup you find at the mall, it is a real value! Another advantage is that it comes in a cute bag that the girls can gang right on their costume hanger. Add in the fact that you get the online training fee and it's an unbelievable bargain!

Our Divas competition team and our "Night Before Christmas" cast uses this make up and loves it! Feel free to talk to any of these parents for their input. You may order directly on line or through the studio. If you order through the studio your shipping is only \$1.50 (instead of \$5). Orders/payment must be received no later than May 7 for group studio order. Your make up will be in before recital but not before pictures. Please order/pay at the front desk.