Center for Performing Arts Dance Studio & Acting School

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September 2014 Newsletter

Continuing to except new students where space is available

Recommend us to someone!!

During the month of October every Wednesday evening is Open House from 5-7pm. When you refer a friend to our school and they mention to us that you recommended us, you will receive \$5 off your next month's tuition New students will get a tour of the school; take a look at last year's costumes and recital video. Just make sure that they mention your name when they register.

Santa Parade and Tree Lighting

All students (and families too) need to have school apparel to participate in the Methuen Santa Parade in November and the Methuen Tree Lighting in December. School jackets, sweatshirts, sweatpants, long sleeve and short sleeve t-shirts, shorts and tank tops will be ordered at the end of each month: October, March, and May Dance Intensive Team Students need apparel for to wear to special events, workshops and competitions.

Community Theater News Center for Performing Arts Presents: "Into the Woods"

The Show will be on Friday December 6th at 7pm

Rehearsals will be held in September, October, and November. Youth Ensemble: Ages 5-11 Saturday's 9-10am

Senior Ensemble: Ages 10+ Wednesdays 7-8:30pm

Costume Deposit Info *Important*

All classes require a costume (except Acting & Voice) The average cost of a costume is between \$50 and \$70.

Deposits of \$45 for each dance discipline must be paid for by October 15th and balances on costumes are due in full by November 15th.

New students registering after October 15th pay costume deposits at the time of registration. Costume payments after November 15th are subject to a \$14 separate shipping charge from the costume company. **NO EXCEPTIONS!!**

Shoes

Shoes are required for class disciplines, Ballet, Tap, Jazz, and Hip-Hop, and are necessary for practicing skills that will be used when performing. For performances it is important that the shoes are clean and that they fit well.

All shoes except point shoes are available at CPAM at discounted prices and must be purchased at CPAM so that all the dancers match.

Please stop by the office and have one of our staff fit your child for shoes

Check out our UPDATED Website

www.DanceStudioMa.com

Get the information you need from the web-site's Google Calendar! It is a dynamic way of finding information about up-coming events, community auditions, rehearsals, holidays and vacations. Also on the web site you can connect to our Facebook page for special event photos of our students. There is also information on the web site about class days and times, class placement, monthly tuition, monthly newsletters, photo galleries and much more. New interested students can get to know us before coming in to register!

School Dress Code

In all CPAM's dance classes pink/black clothing is expected to be worn by girls and black/white for boys.

Girl's hair must be in a bun for ballet and securely pulled off face for all other styles.

All Dance Shoes need to be purchased at our school boutique so that our dancer's feet are matching and looking great!

Ballet, Tap, Hip-Hop, and Jazz - Jazz shoes are ordered after October to match the colors of the costumes chosen for the June recital.

You can conveniently purchase pink and black leotards, tights, dance skirts and dance shorts, at our studio boutique.

In all Acting, Voice, & Theater classes school apparel logo clothing is recommended or relaxed pink/black clothing for girls and white/black shirts and pants for boys.

School logo clothing is also ordered at the end of October, March and May. It is used for all school performance events like the Methuen Santa Parade, Methuen Tree Lighting Ceremony and other community events. Apparel is allowed over leotards and tights as warm ups in all classes except ballet, and is appropriate for hip-hop, acting and voice classes and all fun school events.

Fill in an order form, if you need assistance with sizing simply ask the office staff or teacher for assistance.

*Students who are not dressed appropriately will be asked to observe.

Family Discount Tuition Plans

Tuition is based on an immediate family's total number of hours in class who live together and pay with one family tuition payment.

The family's total number of dance/acting/voice hours is added to find the early, regular or late tuition fee. (Community Theater has a separate rate of \$70 tuition for the 3 month program)

- Early Tuition is accepted by the last day of the month before the one for which you are paying and is a 10% savings. You may pay early tuition as many months in advance as you would like. There are no refunds or credits for early tuition.
- **Regular Tuition** is accepted between the 1st and 15th of the current month.
- Late Tuition will receive an invoice with a 10% late fee added on the 15th of the month and must be paid by the 30th of the month or the student will not be allowed to participate the following month.

Payment Methods

Be sure that the payment is on time for early tuition before the month begins or it will be automatically adjusted, before the 15th for regular tuition or late tuition after the 15th and by the 30th of the current month.

We accept cash, check and credit/debit cards. You can now also enroll in the automatic debit program for Early Monthly Tuition. Your credit or debit card will be charge on the 28th of every month with your early tuition rate.

"Concrete Jungle" Recital 2014-2015

This is our 14th year dancing with you!!! Our Annual Recital date is set for Sunday June 21st, 2015!

Our studio/school is a professional performing arts educational facility. Your child will be earning an education from their first class in September to the performance in June. All students are expected to participate in the year end performance except in the case of an extenuating circumstance.

All new curriculum skills will be introduced to students and perfected between September and June. Fall classes will close when filled with 12 students or by November 30th. No new students above Level Two will be admitted to the school after November. Recital routines will be taught and skills will continue to be perfected between January and June.

Costume deposits of \$45 for each are due on/by October 15th or at the time of Registration for classes. No refunds are given on Deposits.

Tickets for "Concrete Jungle!" will be \$17 each and will go on sale in April 2014.

High Quality Performing Arts Dance/Acting/Voice Curriculum

Students at our studio, whether recreational or serious, learn curriculum from the American Academy of Ballet, Dance Teacher's Council of America (Ballet, Tap, Jazz), Dance Masters of America (Ballet, Tap, Jazz, Acro, Children's work and Boys, Lyrical and Contemporary) and the Dance Teacher's Club of Boston (Ballet, Tap, Jazz, Hip-Hop, Lyrical, Ballroom). Our Acting, Voice, and Theater program follows the Massachusetts Department of Education Curriculum map for Performing Arts excellence.

Our teachers are highly qualified, our music is age appropriate, our costumes are reasonably priced and tasteful and our low family tuition can't be beat by any school in the Merrimack Valley. We have been in business for 12 years and have students from 2 to 75 years young!!

We pride ourselves on providing a fun, safe performing arts experience for all students!

Coming Soon!! Keep your eyes open...

Nutcracker Casting, Andover Auditions, & Show Dates & Times...

Santa Parade Date and Time Information...

Halloween Costume Party Info...