

**MARILYN'S ACADEMY OF DANCE**  
**JANUARY 4<sup>th</sup>, 2010**  
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**Happy New Year to all our students and their parents!**

**RECITAL:** The recital dates are June 5<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 p.m. and June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2:00 p.m. The recital will be held at North Canyon High School auditorium, 17<sup>th</sup> St. and Union Hills. **All classes will participate in the recital.** All dancers must be backstage 1 hour prior to the start of the recital. Parents, please bring your children in through the back entrance of the auditorium. Only those parents who are working backstage will be allowed to stay backstage. **All students must stay backstage the entire recital.** For safety reasons and to be courteous to those in the audience, please **DO NOT** come backstage for your dancer after they have danced. No dancers will be allowed to leave the backstage area until the end of the recital. Children are well taken care of backstage, if there would be a problem a parent would be called backstage immediately. Please do not come backstage at the intermission. Parents who are working the backstage door do not know all the parents—this is for your child's safety. **Backstage area:** Women only will be allowed in the dressing rooms. Please, no men in the dressing rooms. **Mandatory dress rehearsal is Friday, June 4<sup>th</sup> at North Canyon High School auditorium.** Dress rehearsal will start at 5:00 p.m. Please arrive 20 to 30 minutes prior to the 5:00 p.m. start. All students and one or two parents must be at the dress rehearsal (please do not bring friends or other relatives to dress rehearsal)—all dancers **MUST** arrive by 5:00 p.m., this means even those dancers who perform towards the end of the recital! Students are allowed to watch dress rehearsal. Students may leave after they have rehearsed all their dances they will be performing. A list will be posted in March as to what day your child performs. Some students will be dancing both days; most beginning level students will dance only one day. There is no guarantee that siblings will dance the same day! All students will be required to wear a specific color and brand of tights and shoes, a list will be posted in March. All items needed may be purchased at Dee's Dancewear.

**RECITAL COSTUMES:** Costume deposits are past due! If you have not paid your deposit please do so by January 12<sup>th</sup>. A costume deposit of \$50.00 per costume is required of all students. The balance of the costume is due when the costume arrives. There will be **NO REFUNDS** on costume deposits. Total costs of costumes do vary depending on where the costumes are ordered! The average cost of a costume is between \$60.00 and \$85.00. It is extremely important that everyone pays the costume deposit by the deadline so that costumes may be ordered!

I will be measuring students January 4<sup>th</sup> through January 16<sup>th</sup> for recital costumes. In an effort to obtain the best fit possible for your child we ask that parents be a part of the sizing process. **I am asking that parents come to their child's class/classes January 11<sup>th</sup> through January 16<sup>th</sup>.** I will have parents initial the size of costume that is to be ordered. Parents will need to initial next to each class their child attends. I will be ordering from different catalogs and your child may wear one size in one catalog and a different size from another catalog! If your child happens to miss a class during this week please make sure that you bring them in sometime during the week to be measured.

**TICKETS:** Parents must purchase tickets. Everyone that sits in a seat must purchase a ticket. The ticket price is \$10.00. Please sign up for the number of tickets needed April 17<sup>th</sup> through May 1<sup>st</sup>. Tickets will go on sale May 3<sup>rd</sup> for those that have signed up for tickets. These tickets will be held until May 10<sup>th</sup>. Tickets that have been held and **NOT** purchased by May 11<sup>th</sup> will go on sale on a first come first serve basis! **THERE WILL BE NO REFUNDS GIVEN ON TICKETS.**

**RECITAL AND REHEARSAL RULES:**

No extra jewelry is to be worn with costumes. Hair--teachers will discuss hair with individual classes.

Please do not add EXTRAS to your costume, only what Marilyn instructs. There will be tap classes that will use tap bows; you will be informed of this.

NO food or drink is allowed in the lobby, auditorium or backstage. Any food that is brought into the auditorium, lobby or backstage area (other than medical reasons) will be thrown out. The auditorium use contract states that users of the auditorium must have security at all doors into the auditorium AND dressing rooms to make sure that no food or drink are brought into any of these areas! Water bottles are acceptable.

Please wear exact color shoes, tights, or any accessories that Marilyn states.

Please take all the pictures and videos you wish at dress rehearsal. No video cameras will be allowed during the recital.

Please wear eye shadow, mascara, and dark lipstick for dress rehearsal and recital.

Please do not wear underpants under costumes. Please label everything you bring to the recital.

No nail polish. Please, no extra body jewelry! No earrings, belly button rings, etc.

Please put elastic on all hats—teachers will explain to each class wearing hats.

**At least 2 moms from each class are needed to help backstage.** We cannot leave a class of children (**no matter what age**) unattended. Please sign up at the desk the first of March.

**Recital pictures** will be taken at the studio—dates to be announced soon! Pictures may be ordered only at dress rehearsal or on-line. The recital will be filmed by Silver Star Productions—watch for DVD package specials! Flyers will be sent home with information on both pictures and DVD's.

**If you choose to have your child participate in the recital all rules must be followed. If your child will not be participating in the recital please let Marilyn know immediately.**

**Please remember that tuition is due the 1<sup>st</sup>—7<sup>th</sup> of each month. Tuition is late on the 8<sup>th</sup> of the month. A \$15.00 late fee will be charged for tuition paid after the 7<sup>th</sup> of each month.**

The studio will be open for **ALL** spring breaks.