



MAY 2009

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Note from the director...

What an incredible season! We've had one of our best dance years ever due to our amazing students, our supportive parents, and a tremendous amount of fun and friendship! We loved having our new studio this year as well as the addition of our Apprentice Team (more information to come on how your child can get involved). Look for our "year In Review" boards at the recitals with a look back at all of our awesome memories!

On behalf of our entire dance family, we want to thank you for your support again this year! We absolutely love what we do and are truly grateful to work with all of our talented students. Enjoy every minute of our recitals! On with the show...

Love, Marilyn

Summer & Fall Registration

Thanks to everyone for the outstanding response and support of the HSSOD summer season and upcoming 2009-2010 season!

If you still haven't registered, you can check out our complete summer schedule at www.hollyspringsdance.com.

TUITION DEAL

Take 10% OFF YOUR DANCE TUITION when you pay for the entire 2009-2010 season in advance. This offer expires June 1st, 2009. Take 5% off when you pay in full June 1st to Sept. 1st.

Congrats to...

...**Katie Mundt** for being accepted to Meredith College and **Samantha Burger** for being accepted to East Carolina University. Katie is planning on majoring in Dance, and Sam is majoring in Musical Theater. You will be missed!!

...**all of the dancers** who performed at Open Dance Night! Bravo!

...**the dancers** who performed in Carolina Ballet's Coppelia!

A Big Thanks to...

... **Everyone who helped Spring's Dance Company's Relay for Life Team** raise almost 6000.00 for the American Cancer Society! Thanks to Christy Emhart and Cappy Polk for being the best team captains ever!

...**Mike Verian** – the "spools" for the "When Doves Cry" are fantastic!

...**Deanne Guarino**, the props are AMAZING!!

...**Special thanks to everyone who supported the Macy's Girls** by eating at McDonalds. They raised \$713 toward their trip! Check out some of their additional fundraisers...

- **HSSOD cookbook** - \$10
- **I Touch Raffle** – (raffle to take place at the Sunday recital (do not need to be present to win) 1 ticket \$3, 2 tickets \$5
- Beautiful **Jewelry** crafted by Kristin Vanderbeek with the help of the Macy's girls.
- Fun **Tye dyed clothing** just in time for summer!

Stop by the front desk to check it out!!

SDC Jr. & Apprentice Auditions

Any dancers ages nine and up who have had at least 3 years of training in Ballet, Jazz, or Modern may attend an **open call audition for SDC Jr. or Apprentice Team on Saturday, July 18th from 1 – 3 PM.**

- Dancers should arrive in a black leotard, pink tights, and hair in a bun,. You should bring Jazz shoes with you and wear convertible tights. You will be taught a short combination that you will perform for Ms. Jen Pratt and Ms. Marilyn (co-directors) as well as additional staff members.
- Requirements for company involve a weekly 1 ½ hour rehearsal (there is no fee to be in company) and classes in Ballet, Modern, Jazz, and one other of your choice.
- Please contact Marilyn or Jen for more information! Attendance at the audition is mandatory for anyone being considered.



Preschool Recital

We will see all of our pre-school aged classes on Friday, May 15th for dress rehearsal at the Holly Sp-rings Cultural Center. We look forward to your performances on Saturday, May 16th. Please be in full recital costume!!

- Don't forget that we will see you for the last class at the studio following the recital. Bring your camera or video camera on the last day during our awards presentation.
- Some tickets are still available for all of the pre-school shows.
- Recital t-shirts are now on sale for \$12.95.
- Want flowers for your dancer's special day? Abigail's florist will be on hand selling flowers at the recital
- Please feel free to contact us with any questions! For many of you, this is a first time experience. We want to put you at ease by answering any questions that you may have. It's going to be a big day for your dancer. Thanks so much for allowing us to be a part of it.

We will have a professional videographer at the recital. You may videotape the dress rehearsal, but not the performance.

Recital Information

We can't wait for the recitals! Here's some last minute info to keep you well informed...

Dress Rehearsal

Parents will arrive in downtown Raleigh and enter through the front lobby towards the left (this is the Fletcher Opera House entrance). You will see HSSOD volunteers set up to answer questions. You should **arrive in full recital costume** (this is a great time to give your hair/make-up a trial run) and enter the auditorium where volunteers will show you where to sit with your class. Parents are responsible for their children at all times during dress rehearsal. **Please do not allow your child to wander unsupervised at any time!** This facility is very big and will be a busy place with other events as well. Volunteers will take your children backstage when their class is called. Once they perform, they will sit with us backstage until we run the finale at the end of the hour. Your child will meet you in the lobby after the finale. Reminder – if you want lots of close-ups of your child, **you can videotape at dress rehearsal.** Video cameras or flash photography will not be allowed at any performance as it can be dangerous to the dancers onstage.

- We will have a **professional videographer taping** all of the shows if you would like to purchase them.
- You are welcome to **stay and watch** as much of our dress rehearsals as you would like. This is a great opportunity for young dancers to see other performances.
- CLASS MOMS – We will give all Class Moms a backstage tour during dress rehearsals. You will learn everything you need to know. **We will have a Class Mom meeting on Thursday, May 14th from 7-8PM in Studio 136.** You will receive a special volunteer badge, class signs, information and a make-up demonstration. Please try to attend this important meeting! Thank you so much! We couldn't do it without you!

Progress Energy Fletcher Opera House...

Performance day/times are:

May 30th – 10:00, 1:00, 4:00 and 7:00
 May 31st 2:00 & 6:00.

Tickets are still available for the 10:00, 7:00 and 2:00 shows.

Class Mom meeting on Thursday, May 14th from 8:00 – 8:45 PM next week in studio 148.

Souvenir t-shirts available next week!

Videotaping ONLY at dress rehearsal.

Performance

Your child should arrive in full recital costume/make-up 45 minutes before their scheduled performance time. You will meet a class mom who will be holding a class sign. Our volunteers will walk them to their dressing room to meet the other class Mom. Due to tight security, you will not be allowed backstage without the Class Mom badge. We want to ensure that everyone who is backstage is supposed to be there. We appreciate your support of this.

- Please check with your Class Mom to see if there is anything that they might want you to send,. **A small bag with a water bottle, an activity or non-messy snacks are fine.** Please do not send nail polish, markers or paint sets.
- During the performance, your child will remain in a backstage dressing room until it is time to perform. At the end of the performance, Class Moms will walk dancers back to the lobby to meet you where they were dropped off. Please **send only one parent to meet your child** – your fan club can wait at another part of the lobby.
- Again, there will be **no flash photography or videotaping during performances** as it can be dangerous to the performers onstage. If you wish to videotape, you are welcome to do it at the dress rehearsal. We will have a professional videographer taping each performance if you are interested in purchasing this, order forms are available at the studio and will be available at dress rehearsals.
- Recital **souvenir t-shirts** will be available at the studio at the end of the month and dress rehearsals for 12.95.
- Please feel free to **contact us with any questions!** We want to make this one of the best days in your child's life!



Calendar of Upcoming Events

MAY

- 1-3 Coppelia at Memorial Auditorium
tickets 719-0900
- 14 Recital Class Mom Meeting 7-8pm
(studio)
- 15 Pre-School Rehearsal
at the Holly Springs Cultural Center
- 16 Pre-school Recital
(Holly Springs Cultural Center)
- 23 Dance classes end at the studio
- 27 - 29 Dress Rehearsal
- 30 - 31 Recital "One Small Voice"
(Fletcher Opera House)

JULY

- 18 SDC Jr. Audition (1-3)



Awards Day at the Studio

Remember to bring your camera or video camera to our last class as we present special awards to our dancers!