

January/February 2023

MSD Newsletter

PLEASE READ THIS NEWSLETTER CAREFULLY! IMPORTANT RECITAL INFORMATION!!

SNOW DAYS: A reminder that if schools are canceled due to weather; the studio may not be. We will NOT contact every student. Emails will be sent to each affected family. We will also post any closings on our Facebook page "Marias Dance" & webpage - www.mariasschoolofdance.com.

Thank You from everyone at MSD for all of the wonderful gifts and cards!



DANCE IN DISNEY WORLD!!!

DANCERS AGES 7-22 (as of 12/07/2023)

MSD will be taking dancers to perform at Walt Disneyworld December 7th – 10th, 2023. We will be staying at the Swan and Dolphin Resort! Dancers ages 7-9 will dance through Downtown Disney, dancers ages 10-22 will dance down Main Street USA. <https://www.wcv.com/trip/dance-the-world-holiday/>

Information meeting: SUNDAY, JANUARY 15TH @ 6:30 PM in the studio lobby! Please join us for information and questions!

“EXTRA EXTRA – READ ALL ABOUT IT” MSD DANCERS PERFORMING IN NEWSIES JR. !! Hartland Community Education in conjunction with Prelude Children's Theater is proud to present *Newsies Jr.*, this January 27, 28, 29, & February 3, 4, 5, 2023 at the Hartland Performing Arts Center with 6 shows.

Come see: Natalya Flores: Muriel, David Flores: Tommy Boy, Jenna Pepepman: newsie.

Tickets on sale now at: our.show/prelude. !

DANCE EXPRESS ANNUAL SPRING SHOW: Let's Go!

Sunday, February 12th (Snow date Sunday, February 19th). **2:00pm** at the Fowlerville HS Alverson Performing Arts Center. Tickets \$15 each in advance or at the door. Tickets go on sale February 1st.

ACCOUNT BALANCES: ABSOLUTELY NO ONE WILL GO ON STAGE AT DRESS REHEARSAL OR RECITAL WITH A BALANCE ON HIS OR HER ACCOUNT. ALL BALANCES MUST BE PAID IN FULL BY MAY 1st.

OPENER / CLOSER REHEARSALS: We are reserving the following dates/times for rehearsals but not everyone will be required the entire time. Please pencil in the dates/times. We will be creating a “BAND” account for Opener/Closer to put choreography on for individual practice.

- Saturday, April 15th: 11am – 3 pm
- Saturday, April 22nd: 11am – 3 pm
- Saturday, April 29th: 11am – 3 pm
- Friday, May 5th: 5pm – 9 pm
- Friday, May 12th: 5pm – 9 pm
- Friday, May 19th: 5pm – 9 pm
- DRESS REHEARSAL: TBD

RECITAL PICTURES: Noreen Owens Photography will be taking recital photos (GROUPS AND INDIVIDUALS) at DRESS REHEARSAL. Information will be available by May 1st.

PERFORMANCE LOCATION: FOWLerville HIGH SCHOOL PAC

- **DRESS REHEARSAL:**
 - Tuesday, May 30th: 4pm – 9pm
 - Wednesday, May 31st: 4pm – 9pm
 - Thursday, June 1st: 4pm - 9pm
 - Monday, June 5th 4:00pm – 9:00pm (if needed)
- **RECITALS:** Tuesday June 6th, Wednesday June 7th, & Thursday June 8th, 7:00pm

DRESS REHEARSAL CONFLICTS:

Dress Rehearsal is MANDATORY. Students not attending dress rehearsal will not be allowed to perform in the recital. **We make every possible attempt to work around everyone's schedule as long as the requests are reasonable. We will be taking dress rehearsal conflicts/requests now through March 25th. After the 25th, we will not be accepting requests. You must write down your name, dancer's name, dancer's dance titles, date request submitted AND THE REASON for the request/conflict. This must be sent to maria@mariasschoolofdance.com. Only requests made to this email will be considered. Requests will be honored in the order they are received. DO NOT request to have all classes on one night. We cannot accommodate all families in this way. After the dress rehearsal schedule is published, it CANNOT be changed.**

RECITAL MUSIC: We will be putting together a music drive that will be available beginning February 1st. We will send the link out when it is complete. If you still need us to make a CD, please let us know after the drive has been shared.

RECITAL SHOES: It is expected that at this time, all dancers will now be wearing the correct dance shoes required for recital. If you have questions about which shoes are needed, check the costume book at the desk! Or our staff will be glad to answer any questions. Please do not wait until just prior to recital to purchase the correct dance shoes. Keep in mind that dancers need time to practice in their shoes to dance comfortably and safely, and that dancer's feet grow and may not fit in the fall.

RECITAL COSTUMES: Costumes are starting to come in already. Please make sure your account is up to date.

SPRING CLASSES SATURDAYS 4/15, 4/22, 4/29, 5/6, 5/13, 5/20: Maria's School of Dance will be offering beginning classes which will give students a brief introduction to ballet, tap, and jazz/hip hop. The objective is to give the student an idea of what dance is like. It is designed to be a fun and educational experience. Classes will not participate in recital. There will be a 5 student minimum for each class to be held. More information will be out soon! To register for any of these classes contact Maria's School of Dance at 517-223-0036, or register online at, www.mariasschoolofdance.com. REGISTRATION BEGINS Feb. 1st.

SUMMER CLASSES: We will again be holding summer classes. Information will be available shortly and sign up will begin by May 1st.

FALL CLASS REQUESTS: If you have a scheduling request for 2023 – 2024 classes, please submit them via email to maria@mariasschoolofdance.com. Only requests submitted by email will be considered.

LOST AND FOUND: Please make sure you check the lost and found located in the main lobby. Staff will donate items to Goodwill at the end of February.