

Today's Dance Center Fall News Letter 2010

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Welcome new and returning students! We trust you had a healthy and relaxing summer. Congratulations to all who participated in the 2010 recital, you were all wonderful!! We at TDC are looking forward to another exciting year. Our focus is to continue to achieve a high quality, disciplined, yet nurturing dance atmosphere.

TDC Staff: TDC would like to welcome back our **staff** Miss Amy, Miss Angela D., Miss Ayla, Miss Corey, Miss Liz, Miss Melissa, Miss Natalie, Mr. Shaun, Miss Susan, Miss Victoria, Miss Karen C., Miss Karen D., & our office manager Miss Holly. We would also like to welcome our new teacher Miss Angela V. to our teaching staff.

The Nutcracker Ballet: TDC will continue our many exciting programs this year and we hope you & your family will participate. We are excited to announce our collaboration with Atlantic City Ballet to present "The Nutcracker" at the Scottish Rite Theater, Collingswood, December 4th 3:00 & 7:30pm shows. More information coming soon! Please plan to come out & support our dancers.

New Program at TDC: TDC is proud to be offering "An Enrichment Program for Kindergarten and Pre-K students on Wednesdays. Your child will be able to enjoy the continuity of a full day with our Certified Staff member through early education, incorporating the academia and art of movement. Children will participate in expanding on the alphabet, numerals, color charts, reading, phonics, etc all through the art & craft of movement. (see activity board or front desk for details)

Continuing Classes & Activities: TDC will be offering **Partnering & Variations** for our Int/Advanced level ballet students, **Traditional Irish Step** from Deirdra Shea School of Irish Dance, **Adult Ballet/Ballroom** with a professional ballet/ballroom master. We will continue to offer our CREATEABILITIES program and our **Non-Recital** Petite Performer, Hip-Hop, Adult Tap, Jazz and along with our ever so popular weekly dance classes. Student Appreciation Week, Friendship Week, Red/Green & Blue /White Month, Holiday Cookie Exchange and Mardi Gras Week will all be back by popular demand (see our TDC calendar for dates).

Spirit Week 2011: Please join us February 12-18 for TDC's 1st Annual Spirit Week! Wear your favorite TDC apparel to class & show your school spirit!

Birthday Parties: Come celebrate your Birthday with us! We at TDC would love to help your child celebrate their special day with a personalized dance class and activities to their favorite theme. While the 2nd studio is

transposed into a fabulous party room for you to create a birthday sure to be remembered by your special dancer! Our staff cleans it all up for you too! **Birthday Parties** will be offered through out the year. See our website or check at the front desk for further details!

TDC Performing Groups: The TDC Company has been invited to participate in Dance Excellence's International Dance Festival again in Los Angeles, CA as well as have been selected to "Dance the World" in Disney this Spring. They will represent the State of New Jersey. Our Performance Groups will be hosting their annual fundraiser, "**A Winter Dance Concert**" on January 23rd 2pm Leisuretown's Laurel Hall. Hope that you will come out & support TDC's teams!

Parent's Night Out: Hosted by TDC, where parents drop off their children from 6:00-9:00pm for a night of dance, movies, crafts and refreshments. Watch for postings with these dates.

Recital News: The theme this year is "**Peace, Love, & Joy**". **Our 28th Annual Spring recital** is set for **Saturday, May 21st, 2011 1pm & 6pm shows. Dress Rehearsal** is scheduled for **Friday, May 20th** at your child's assigned class times. Please mark your calendars. **Recital Tickets** will be on sale **April 16th, 2010**. Numbers & times will be assigned in the order that your child is appropriately registered for the 2010-2011 school year.

Costumes may be paid in installments between Sept.-Nov. 24th. Full payment for all costumes is due by November 24th. Payments must be separate from tuition and paid by cash or check only. All students will be measured for costumes the week of Nov.29th-Dec. 4th. Pictures of the costumes will be available at that time. There are NO refunds on costumes. NO costume will be ordered without payment in full. Costume fees for each of the classes are as follows. Please calculate your total fees for your Student(s) for payment.

\$75.00 per costume - PPI, PP2, MTV Jazz, Ballet I/II, Ballet A, Ballet A/B, Ballet/Tap combo, Jazz I/MTV, Modern I/II, Tap/Musical Theater, FBO Hip Hop

\$80.00 per costume - Irish Step, Jazz II/III, Jazz III/IV, Jazz IV, Jazz IV/V, Modern III/IV, Modern IV/V (Monday Modern IV/V class will have 2 costumes), Tap II/III, Tap Int/Adv, Hip Hop 9-12, Hip Hop Pre-Teen & Up, Teen Jazz, Musical Theater (Open), Musical Theater II(Co.Level), Ballet III/IV, Ballet B & C, Ballet B/C, Ballet Int/Adv, & Pointe, Company (Rehearsal Monday)

Tuition is due in four payments; At time of enrollment, Oct 1st, Jan 1st, & Mar. 1st. Please make note that no

bills will be sent home. Late fees will occur after the 10th of the month. Please communicate with the front desk if you are experiencing difficulty with these dates. Auto credit card/bankcard options are available.

NEW TDC Apparel: Apparel is available in the main office. T-shirts, hats, warm-up suits, sweatshirts and dance bags are available for sale as well as jean jackets and dancer necklaces.

TDC Student Handbook & Policies: The revised handbook and policies are available on line at www.todaysdancecenter.com. We ask that you and your child(ren) read it over thoroughly. This is our only way to communicate with you. PLEASE LOOK FOR & READ the

handout materials in the beginning of the year and again at recital time. All our information is also posted on the message boards outside the main office and on our website at www.todaysdancecenter.com. Please mark the dates from the school calendar below and if you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact the front desk.

Thank you for your continued belief in Today's Dance Center and for the opportunity to work with your AMAZING children. Remember, Today's Dance Center is the place "Where everyone's a Star"!

Fondly,
Kim O'Connor-Sparks (Artistic Director) & TDC Staff

TDC School Calendar 2010-2011

<u>September</u>	11th	Fall Classes Begin
	27th - Oct. 2nd	Friendship Week/"Bring a Friend to Class"
<u>October</u>	1st	2nd Quarter Tuition Payment Due
	4th - 9th	Student Appreciation Week/Take a Class on Us!
<u>November</u>	15th	Costume Fees Due
	25th - 28th	Thanksgiving Break CLOSED
	29th	Classes Resume – Costume Fittings begin Nov. 29th-Dec 4th
<u>December</u>	December is Red & Green/Blue & White Month Wear leotards and tights in these colors!!	
	Nov. 29th-Dec 4th	Costume Fittings Continue
	4th	Nutcracker – ACB & TDC students at Scottish Rites Theater in Collingswood, NJ
		Show Times 3:00pm & 7:30pm
	15th	TDC Performance Groups, Echelon Town Center Holiday Performance, Boscov's Court 7:00pm
	18th - 23rd	Holiday Cookie Exchange Week
	24th - Jan 2nd	Winter Break CLOSED - Happy Holidays!
<u>January 2011</u>	1st	3rd Quarter Tuition Payment Due
	3rd	Welcome Back! Classes Resume, Choreography Begins this week
	23rd	TDC Performance Groups, Winter Dance Concert, Leisuretowntown – Laurel Hall 2 pm
<u>February</u>	12th - 18th	Spirit Week, Wear TDC apparel to class to show your school spirit!!
	28th - 5th	Mardi Gras Week, Dress Up! Wear a costume to class!
<u>March</u>	1st	4th Quarter Tuition Payment Due
	28th-Apr. 2nd	Costume Distribution Week (Tentative)
<u>April</u>	15th	Picture Day at TDC 4:00-8:00pm (Schedule an appointment with payment at the front desk)
	16th	Recital Tickets will be on Sale (Scheduled times will be posted)
	17th -24th	Spring Break! CLOSED
	25th	Classes Resume
<u>May</u>	19th	Last Day of Classes
	20th	Dress Rehearsal: 4-9pm
	21st	Recital Date: Location and Show times TBA
<u>June</u>	8th	Fall 2011 Registration begins by mail
	15th	Summer Hours begin - Fall 2011 Registration in person

Summer Programs Offered: June-August, 2011

This Calendar is subject to change. We will do our best to keep you updated in a timely manner.

Thank You for choosing TDC!!!