

Academy of Dance Arts September Newsletter

September 2018



Studio News!

We hope you're as excited as we are for the upcoming year. We have several events and performances planned. Our first event will be the Kalamazoo Holiday Parade Saturday November 10th. This is open to all of our dancers. Ages 2-5 are welcome to ride on our float while dancers 6 and up perform. Rehearsal for the parade will be held Sunday November 4th from 5pm to 8pm at the studio. Dancers wishing to participate in the parade can sign up at the front desk!

Moscow Ballet

Great Russian Nutcracker

We are super excited to host the Moscow Ballet's Great Russian Nutcracker Auditions!!! Students will be able to dance with the pros! AUDITIONS are FREE and will be held at the studio Saturday October 6th at 9:30am.

Please note: if casted the cast fee is \$50 and you must be available for rehearsals October 6th - 7th.

Students must be ages 6-18 to audition.

Want to dance with tWitch, Allison Holker and Kathryn McCormick? We are excited to announce that we are partnering with CLI Studios again this year to give our students access to the dance industry's top choreographers. Register with our studio this season and you'll be able to take online master classes from world-renowned choreographers!

http://members.clistudios.com/Academy_of_Dance_Arts-MI

Halloween Week

Halloween Week is Bring a Friend Week! Call up your best friend and invite them to join the fun! Also, don't forget to wear your costume! We will be having full studio costume parades, so come ready for some fun!



UPCOMING EVENTS

Moscow Ballet the Nutcracker: Auditions ages 6-18

October 6th

Halloween Costumes & Bring a Friend Week

October 29rd - November 3rd

Studio Closed for Halloween

October 31st

Holiday Cabaret Tickets on Sale

October 26th 6pm

Kalamazoo Holiday Parade Practice

November 2nd 5pm-8pm

Kalamazoo Holiday Parade

November 10th

Studio Closed for Thanksgiving

November 22rd - 24th

Tree Lighting Ceremony Bronson Park

November 25th

Holiday Cabaret

December 8th @ Vicksburg HS Auditorium

Winter Break

December 22th- January 6th

Meet the Staff

We have an amazing staff again this year, with extensive backgrounds in Ballet, Tap, Jazz, Contemporary, Lyrical, Modern, Musical theatre, and Dance team styles. Our staff is in a class of its very own. They are all very excited to teach your children and look forward to an outstanding dance year to come.

Ms. Emily has been teaching for over 20 years. Her passion for dance is undeniable. She is trained in all genres of dance with an emphasis in ballet. In her long dance career, she has made a lasting impression on so many little ones.

Miss Brianna became a part of the dance family early this year. Her passion is to help others, please let her know if you need anything. She is happy to help!

Miss Hailey has been dancing for 17 years of her life. She began her training in an abundant of styles growing up. But, now she's currently studying dance at Western Michigan University with an additional major of exercise science to pair with it. Her favorite style of dance is jazz. She loves working with children, and can't wait to see how her dancers develop during this upcoming year!

Miss Kelley grew up in South Elgin, Illinois. She started dancing at the age of three and her favorite style of dance is contemporary. Miss Kelley studied exercise science and dance at Western Michigan University. Currently she also works as an exercise specialist at Borgess Medical Center and as a personal trainer at West Hills Athletic Club. She loves ADA because teaching dance allows her to spread her passion for dance.

Miss Marissa has been dancing for over 24 years, 9 were spent dancing competitively. She danced locally where she studied ballet, tap, jazz, lyrical, and contemporary styles. She continued her dance education while obtaining her bachelor's degree in biology. Miss Marissa specifically has a passion for tap dance with an emphasis on rhythm and syncopation training. The mother of two daughters, Sutton and Emmi, who are students at Academy of Dance Arts. She is thrilled to be a part of the Academy of Dance Arts education team and is grateful to have found a studio full of amazing teachers and students that both her and her daughters can call their home away from home.

Miss Delaney (our new receptionist!) is currently a junior at Western Michigan University, studying Theatre! She actively does mentor work and designs makeup and hair at multiple high school drama clubs in the area! She is very excited to begin her first season with ADA and to help young kids develop a lifelong passion for the arts!

Check out next month's newsletters to meet more of our staff!! 😊

Reminders to Students & Parents

1. Bring a water bottle to class
2. Make sure your hair is pulled back
3. Tuition is due the 1st class of every month.
4. Earn \$25 tuition credit for referring new students.
5. No street shoes in the studios.
6. Have fun! If you have any questions don't hesitate to ask.

Thank You!