

Mankato Ballet Company Newsletter

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Congratulations!!

Congratulations to **Maggie Kennedy and Lauren Mead** who were accepted in Kansas City Ballet's summer program.

They drove to Minneapolis to attend the audition in January.

Thousands of dancers audition each year and only a few hundred are accepted into the program. This is a great honor to be chosen to attend.

Both dancers hope to attend the three week session in July. We wish them both the best and look forward to hearing about their adventures when they return.

Contact Information

In an effort to make sure everyone is getting current information please let us know if you have changed a phone number or email address. If you have not been receiving our newsletters electronically please put your name and email address on the sheet posted at the studio and we will make sure it gets added to the mailing list. It's important to be on this list as you will also receive an email if there is a snow closure or other important event that may affect classes.

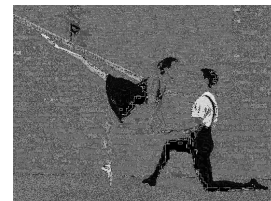
Classroom Volunteers

We are beginning work on costumes for all of the class dances. We would like to have a mom or two volunteer from each class to help with a few costume details. These can be done in the waiting room while your child is in class or be taken home with you. Tasks are very simple and range from attaching décor to the front of leotards, to making headpieces. If you are interested in helping please sign up on the sheet at the studio.

Summer Session at MBC

MBC will offer several opportunities to dance this summer. No classes will be offered in the month of June. Classes will resume again in July. We will be offering a 4 week program for all levels beginning the week after the 4th of July. It will be one day a week. More details will be available in the April Newsletter.

We will also be offering a 3 week summer intensive workshop for levels 2A and above. This will run in August.



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Bring a Friend to Dance Day

Dancers may bring a friend to dance class with them during the first week of April.

Dress Code

We mentioned the importance of adhering to the dress code in the last newsletter. All the instructors have already notice a difference so thank you everyone. We like to portray a professional image when people stop in to get information about classes and one of the best ways to do that is to show our classes in proper dress code. We will continue to ask dancers to take off extra shirts and pants when they come to class. Please continue to work on getting hair in a bun, and try to remember the waist bands!!



Spring Concert Shoe Alert

As an FYI to parents. All classes will be taking some time to check the dancers ballet slippers. The instructor will make sure the dancer has their name in both shoes, has the elastic drawstrings tied correctly, has the strings cut to an appropriate length, and then has them taped under. If your dancer's elastics aren't sewn please make sure that is done prior to the show.

If your dancer has holes in her shoes please plan to get a new pair before the concert. Also, if your dancer has shoes that are not pink or they have the little satin slippers please plan to get pink leather shoes before the concert.

Spring Clearance

We've been cleaning out our inventory and have many sets of tights and a few pairs of ballet slippers.

We will be selling all this old inventory for \$5 each. This is a great chance to pick up some extra pink tights for your dancer. We recommend saving a pair for the Spring Concert so they have a nice clean pair.

If you would like to purchase any of these items please ask your instructor. Most items are in child sizes, so shop now!!

Please make checks payable to MBC or if paying with cash, use exact change.