

# METUCHEN DANCE CENTRE

## ♪ NEWSLETTER ♪

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Autumn Issue  
November 2013

**Happy 3 Year  
Anniversary!!!  
We have now  
been at  
395 Main St for  
3 full years!**

Happy Autumn, Everyone!

We're back in the swing of the new school year, and we're all feeling that autumn chill! Hope you're enjoying your dance classes here at MDC! Keep believing in yourselves and make your best efforts! We're so proud of all our dancers. It's only the beginning of our dance year, but we can make this our very best ever!

### Duke Ellington's NUTCRACKER

Saturday, December 7, 2013

1:00pm & 5:00pm

Sunday, December 8, 2013

2:00pm

It's that wonderful time of the year once more. We're once again presenting "Duke Ellington's Nutcracker." It's the season's hottest ticket so - don't miss out! Tickets are \$20.00 each for reserved seating and \$22 at the door. Ticket order forms will be available on our website and at the studio. Be sure to mail the form to:

Metuchen Dance Centre  
395 Main St. Metuchen, NJ 08840

Seating will be on a first come, first serve basis - so mail in these forms ASAP!

No mail-in ticket orders after  
November 23rd

### Holiday Party

### Update The Season of Giving!

December 16-21

*This year we will be  
collecting food for the  
needy. We will be  
collecting non-  
perishable food items  
for a local food  
pantry. Please look  
for the donation bin in  
the MDC waiting  
room!*

### New Educational Dance Programs at MDC

#### Famous Performer of the Month

Each month we will feature the biography & history of a famous performer! Stop in to take a look! October is Anna Pavlova!!

#### Classes of the Month

To encourage team work and to have our students try their best, each month we will have a different goal for each class to reach together. One class, in each of 4 levels (based on age groups), will have their picture taken and displayed in a place of honor in the waiting room.

November's goal is to "Look like a dancer for all classes" - hair in bun, correct attire and shoes for every class! Follow MDC Dress Code available on our website.

### ~~Dates to Remember~~

Oct 21-26	Bring-A -Friend Week
Oct 28-Nov 2	Wear your Halloween costume to class!
Nov 2	MDC Sweat/active wear <b>orders due</b>
Nov 11 - 16	Recital Costume Measurements this week
Nov 27 -Dec 1	Thanksgiving Break <b>closed</b>
Dec 1	Metuchen Holiday Parade!! Sign-up ASAP!
Dec 2-7	Costume Order <b>payment due</b>
Dec 7-8	MDC's Nutcracker performance at Forum Theatre
Dec 9 - 14	Parent Observation Week
Dec 16 - 21	Holiday Parties-bring food for the Food Pantry
Dec 23 - Jan 1	Holiday Break <b>closed (classes resume 1/2/14)</b>
Feb 17	President's Day <b>closed</b>
Apr 14-20	Spring Break <b>closed</b>
May 26	Memorial Day <b>closed</b>
June 2 & 3	Dress Rehearsals for Recital
June 7	Recital
June 9-14	Last week of classes

**2014 MDC Dance Recital  
Saturday June 7<sup>th</sup>**

Dear Parents and Students,

The following is an excerpt from a card received from the Walton family. Their daughter Rachel graduated from MDC in 2009.

*"Enclosing one last "tuition check" for old time sake. We wanted to give back a little something in our appreciation of all the wonderful years Rachel spent at MDC. Her love of dance continued to grow under the skilled direction of you and all your staff. The strong bond she has with her fellow dancers will not be broken anytime soon, if ever."*

Moved by the generosity of the Walton family, I have decided to create the Walton Scholarship Fund. If you are interested in contributing to the scholarship fund please send donations to me directly. Any amount, large or small, is appreciated as the monies collected will be used to support dance students in need at Metuchen Dance Centre.

Thank you, Miss June

# 60th Annual Winter Festival Parade

Sunday, December 1, 2013 at 2:00 PM  
Main Street Metuchen

## COME SHOW YOUR SCHOOL SPIRIT!!

**Attention Dancers:** We need marchers for the Annual Winter Festival Parade. Required attire is as follows: **MDC SWEATSHIRT (Blue or Black) & DRAWSTRING PANTS (Black) WITH LOGO** or **Royal Blue Activewear Suit with Rhinestones & MDC EAR WARMER with White Gloves and hair up.** Please See MDC Apparel and Active Wear forms. All orders must be

in November 2<sup>nd</sup>.

*Visit Our Boutique!*  
*Great for Holiday gift giving!*



If you would like to join us for **Metuchen's Annual Holiday Parade**, the sign-up sheet will be in the waiting room. On the day of the parade, we will all meet at **Edgar Middle School** on Brunswick Ave **no later than 1:30 pm.** The parade ends at the **Pearl St. parking lot**, across from the Senior Center, where you will pick up your children, enjoy some hot cocoa and visit with Santa! The littlest dancers may become too fatigued on the parade route, so we encourage parents with carriages and/or wagons to march along with us. Decorate your "wheels" if you like. Reserve the date...~~ Start a new holiday tradition!!!~~

**Please note:** There is **no** rain date for the parade. If the weather is questionable, call the Chamber office Sunday after 11am for announcement. 732-548-2964

## PARENT OBSERVATION WEEK DEC. 9-14

*Fire up the video!!! We proudly invite you to come and observe the best dancers in the world!! This is the one time of year when parents can come into our dance rooms and directly witness the wonderful progress each dancer is making.*

**Thank You to all MDC dancers who participated in the Country Fair!**  
**We're all so proud of you! Check out the Chamber of Commerce Website (Picture Gallery)**



## Notes from the Office

- All tuition payments are due by the 10<sup>th</sup> of each month and should be placed in our tuition box in the front lobby. If payment is not received, a \$15 fee will be charged to your account. Please **DO NOT** hand tuition to your child's instructor. Any student whose tuition is not current will not be able to take class. Heidi or Jeanene can answer any questions regarding billing. Please call 732-549-2244 for more information!

- If last name of parent differs from last name of student, please write the student's last name on memo of check to avoid confusion in payments.

- We understand and appreciate how difficult it can be to get to dance class on time. (ESPECIALLY living in Middlesex County!) If you do arrive late for class, please change your little dancers **BEFORE** coming into the classrooms, so as not to distract the other dancers...Thank you!

- We kindly ask that while waiting in our dressing room or front lobby, please keep the area tidy for our dancers. If you bring snacks or toys, **please clean up before you leave!** Also, we have recycling containers for your bottles, and we ask that any food refuse or diapers be taken with you when you leave, in order to keep the area in nice condition for other waiting dancers and their families! Thank you for your kind consideration!

- **Proper Dance Attire must be worn in dance class, along with our REQUIRED HAIR ACCESSORIES, no jewelry (for safety), no cell phones in classrooms. Arrive at least 5 minutes before class begins.**

### Make-up-Class Information:

When your child is attending a class to make up for an absence, please inform the teacher you are making up a class so it can be recorded. A gift award will be given out at the end of the year when perfect attendance is achieved.

*Wishing everyone a Healthy and Happy Holiday Season.*

*From, Miss Tune & Staff*