

WINDWOOD HILL DANCE ACADEMY

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Newsletter For the Month of October, 2013

Pointes of Interest:

- Dance Bag Packing List & Respecting the Studio Dress Code
- <u>Columbus Day</u>: There <u>will</u> be classes on Monday, October 14th.
- WHDA Parent/Student Handbook: Please be sure you have read and understand the policies outlined in the WHDA Parent/ Student Handbook and that you sign and return an acknowledgement form. (forms are available in the office)
- First Parent Watch Week: November 18th-21st.
- REMINDER to Parents & Students: Please let us know how we are doing. We welcome any questions or comments and want you to have a great experience with us at WHDA!!
- <u>Fundraising</u>: Our first fundraiser of the season is now available at the Studio! An information sheet is included in your packet.
 Please read it thoroughly and note the deadlines, collection and payment instructions, delivery dates etc...
- NADAA Dance Workshop In Binghamton, NY on Sunday, Oct. 20th at the American Legion Post #80
- WHDA Halloween Fun Week: Oct. 24th-30th
- No Classes on Halloween Thursday, Oct. 31st.
- Christmas Performance:
 SUNDAY, Dec. 8th 2pm @ Susquehanna Community High School Auditorium (venue tentative)
 Snow date (location TBD)
 Dec.14th or 15th 2pm.
 Dress Rehearsal Dec.2nd-5th at the Studio
 Stage Rehearsal Fri. Dec. 6th
- WHDA 2014 Important Recital Dates: Coming Soon!

Dress Code: All Students must have proper shoes and dance wear by the end of October!!! And, just a reminder, all 1 Hour Ballet Classes have a Dress Code*! The Studio Dress Code will be strictly enforced!! Proper dance attire is necessary so that correct body alignment can be established. Plus, it makes you feel more like a DANCER!!!!! *Note-Beg. Ballet classes should be wearing Pink, B/I &Int. Ballet Classes should be wearing Burgandy. And I/A Ballet classes should be wearing Black. See the secretary for info. on where to order the required leos and skirts. Look for Mirella Leo style #m201 & Mirella Skirt style #ms12. Try this website: **GETDANCEWEAR.COM** If you are still having trouble try contacting Sequins and Sweats. Business cards are available in the

Dance Bag Packing List: Listed below are things every dancer should have with them when they come for class— Hair brush, Hair elastics, Hair nets, Hair pins, Hair spray, Band-aids, Deodorant, Water, Dance attire, Dance shoes. Again, please be prepared for dance class and obey the dress code!! Absolutely NO street clothes allowed in class and hair must be pulled back properly.

office. Or, let us know and we

will do what we can to help.

November Parent Watch Week:

Our first parent watch week will be November 18th - 21st Parents are invited to view their child's class and see the progress they are making. Feel free to video tape and take pictures!! Video taping can be especially helpful if your child is learning a routine for any upcoming performances. We ask that you refrain from talking during class time and to remove your street shoes before entering the class rooms. And please do not allow younger siblings to run around or cause distractions during class time. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Fundraising: Our first fundraiser of the season is now available at the Studio! An information sheet is included in your packet .
Please read it thoroughly and note the deadlines, collection and payment instructions , delivery dates etc.. Monies raised from fundraisers go directly on each students account to help offset the cost of costumes, competition etc...Credits for this months fundraiser will be applied in November and will appear on your November statement.

WHDA 2013 Christmas Performance WHDA's 2013 Christmas Performance will be held on Sunday, Dec. 8th, 2pm at the Susquehanna Community High School Auditorium. Select groups

have been chosen to participate and choreography will begin this month. See the list of selected groups posted in the office. You will be given costume details in the next couple weeks. Tickets for this performance will be available for sale at the Studio starting November 18th. Tickets are \$8.00(Adults)/\$6.00(12 and under) All tickets will be \$10.00 at the door. *Please be aware that because of the small auditorium size there may be a limit to the amount of tickets each family can purchase initially. As this is a fundraiser for a charitable organization, no complimentary tickets will be given. You must purchase a ticket to sit in the auditorium. Proceeds will benefit a children's charity (TBD). Professionally recorded DVD's will be available for \$20.00. DVD order forms are available at the studio and will also be available at the performance.

Dress Rehearsal will be at the Studio during class times Dec.2nd -5th. Stage rehearsal will be at the SCHS Auditorium on Friday, Dec. 6th. A stage rehearsal schedule will be posted at the Studio.

WHDA 2014 Summer Recital

<u>Info</u>: Coming Soon!! Still waiting for school approvals.

ADDITIONAL NOTES AND REMINDERS:

NADAA Dance Workshop: in Binghamton, NY on Sunday, Oct. 20th @ the American Legion Post #80. More details & a sign up sheet will be available at the desk in the office soon. All Beg./Int./Adv. Dancers are encouraged to attend. Learning from a variety of instructors makes us more rounded dancers. Step out of your comfort zone!!

Halloween Fun Week: All Students are encouraged to invite a friend and wear their Halloween Costumes to class Oct. 24th - 30th and have a spook-tacular time!

<u>NEW CLASSES FORMING</u>: WHDA is offering some new classes and there is still room in many of our other classes. A sign-up sheet is posted in the office for anyone interested in trying something new! Check it out.

Summer Costume Deposits:

Summer Recital 2014 Costume Deposits (\$50.00/group costume) are due by Tuesday, Nov. 26th, with the balance due in January/ February. Students will be measured for Summer Recital costumes in November.

Feel free to contact us with any questions you may have.

Miss Bobbie & WHDA Staff