



# DECEMBER NEWSLETTER

Mankato Ballet Company

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## Hats Off to our Gala Organizers

Thank you to everyone who brought in items for the Silent Auction Baskets!!! Wow, we had an amazing turn out of items and were able to put together some wonderful baskets.

Our Gala Committee has been hard at work to make this Formal Evening a fantastic event for everyone who attends.

In addition to the class baskets, we have gotten donations from many local businesses, we even got 4 Disney World Theme Park tickets!!

We have the chance for someone to Drive a Tank, take a Hot Air Balloon ride, and try the Escape Room. Get your Christmas shopping done and have your pur-

Get tickets now!!!

### Ticket Information:

MSU Box Office  
Mon-Fri 4-6pm  
507-389-6661  
www.msutheatre.com



chase go to a great cause. All proceeds from the Silent Auction benefit our studio and our dancers.

Gala Tickets are \$50  
Traditional Shows are \$20 Adult, \$15 Student and \$12 Child



### Special points of interest:

- *Last Day of Classes is December 7th or 8th.*
- *Classes Resume January 2nd.*
- *December tuition is still the full tuition amount. We take the annual tuition amount and divide it by 9 months so you can make even monthly payments.*

## Holiday Break Dates

**There will be NO classes  
December 12th through January 1st.  
Classes resume on MONDAY January 2nd.**

Please note that we WILL hold the morning Creative Movement and Pre-Tap classes on Thursday December 8th. However, we will NOT hold the afternoon classes. Dancers are invited to do a make up class anytime between now and December 7th as we will not be able to hold classes that day due to our performances of The Nutcracker.

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## Final Nutcracker Reminders

Our performances are right around the corner and if you have a dancer performing be aware of the following:

### VOLUNTEERS

You should be contacted soon to confirm your duties.

### MEDIA ORDERS

These are available online. Be sure to add one to your account by December 14th! It includes 1 DVD and 10 Photo Downloads.

### PERFORMANCE TIGHTS

If you ordered tights they are in. Please pick them up in the office. This week.

### INFO PACKET

The info packets about the theatre arrival times has been emailed please review it.

### EPOSTERS

Please forward these to your friends and family members. We'd love to sell out every show this year!

### DVD's

Order these online as well! You have until December 14th.

### DRESS REHEARSAL

December 8th we will be at the theater. We know it is hard to get there after school, but we MUST start Dress Rehearsal at 5:00pm.

## LOST and FOUND

The Lost and Found is getting full again. Please be sure to check the dressing room EVERY time you leave. Items left at the theater after Nutcracker will be brought back to the studio after the performances.



**Mankato Ballet Company and dancers have sponsored a tree in the Holiday Lights Show at Sibley Park. Support MBC by voting on our tree, and support your community by donating a non-perishable food item when you attend.**

## Reminders for Starting Back in January

Please note, that our classes are set up to run from September through May. We assume that you will be joining us again once classes start up in January.

If for any reason you won't be returning please contact our office so that we can stop monthly billing. **Dancers will begin learning their spring recital dances at the end of January or beginning of February.**

This is an exciting time and we look forward to working with them on their fun dances. Class attendance is important so that they know their dance well. There is no performance or costume fee for being in the recital. That has all been factored into the cost of tuition.

If you have a sibling, friend or neighbor who has been interested in beginning ballet please encourage them to start up with us in January. It's a great time for new students to join!



## Spring Recital Information

Your dancers will be performing in *Beauty* for the Spring Recital.

We have been working hard since last spring to put together an all new spring production. We will be incorporating ALL Mankato Ballet Classes into the telling of *Beauty's* time with the enchanted Beast and his castle full of enchanted characters. Ballet, modern, jazz, tap and world fusion will all be intertwined to create an amazing story told through dance.

The entire concert should run about 2 hours with intermission.

**Performances held at: Nicollet High School**

**Dress Rehearsal: Friday May 19th at 4:30pm**

**Performance dates: Saturday and Sunday May 20th and 21st at 1pm and 5pm**

Because we are doing 4 performances we WILL split performances. Dancers in Tap 1 and 2, Jazz 1 and 2, Creative Movement, Pre-Ballet and Ballet 1 will ONLY perform on Saturday OR Sunday. Please see below for your performance day.



Class Dance	Class Level/Day	Performance Day
Rabbits	CM1 Tues /CM1 Th	Saturday Shows/Sunday Shows
Chickens	CM2 Mon/CM2 Wed/Th	Saturday Shows/Sunday Shows
Blue Birds	PB1 Monday/PB1 Tues	Saturday Shows/Sunday Shows
Tealights	PB2 Monday/PB2 Tues	Saturday Shows/Sunday Shows
Dust Bunnies	Ballet 1 Mon/Ballet 1 Tues	Saturday Shows/Sunday Shows
Clocks	Ballet 1A	ALL 4
Dancing Cakes	Ballet 1B	ALL 4
Teacups	Ballet 2A	ALL 4
Roses	Ballet 2B/3A	ALL 4
Drapes	Ballet 3B	ALL 4
Vines	Ballet 4A	ALL 4
Dancing Jewelry	Tap 1/Pre-Tap	Saturday Shows/Sunday Shows
School Children	Tap 2 Mon/Tap 2 Tues	Saturday Shows/Sunday Shows
Knights Armor	Tap 3	ALL 4
Dancing Silverware	Tap 4	ALL 4
Pictures	Tap 5	ALL 4
Fire	Modern 1	ALL 4
Wolves	Modern 2	ALL 4
Dancing Candy	Jazz 1	Only Sunday Shows
Jail	Jazz 2 Wed/Jazz 2 Th	Saturday Shows/Sunday Shows
Snowballs	Jazz 3	ALL 4
Statues	Jazz 4	ALL 4
Mirrors	Jazz 5	ALL 4
Candelabra	World Fusion 2	ALL 4
Feather Dusters	Rakettes	ALL 4
Flowers	ATS	ALL 4

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**Recital Class Info**

We have a number of siblings that dance and we did our VERY best to get as many of you on the same day and in the same set of performances as possible.

However, there are a few families that have siblings on different days. If you would like to make sure your dancers are in the same performance one dancer will likely have to change class days.

Feel free to contact our office over break and we can help find a different class for you.

**SUPPLEMENTARY CLASSES**

If your dancer has considered joining a supplementary class now is a great time to join! Some classes are subject to the instructors approval before joining so contact our office over break to be sure we can get you into class.

The instructors will be starting dances towards the end of January, so we will not accept any more students into supplementary classes after January 29th.

All supplementary classes will perform in the Spring Recital.

