



# February Newsletter

## Swan Lake—Enjoy the elegance of ballet

### Important Dates:

- Feb 1st—Costume sign up sheets are posted and costume projects available.
- Feb 19th—Presidents Day, there ARE classes!!
- March 10th—Swan Lake Concert
- March 26th through 31st—MBC Spring Break
- April 15th—Costume tubs due back
- April 23rd through 27th—Class Picture Week
- May 5th—Performing Company Auditions from noon-2pm
- May 7th—Beginning of Class Observation Week

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Did you know that Mankato Ballet Company puts on three full length productions each year? Most of the community and our students are familiar with *The Nutcracker* which is performed each December. Dancers in level 1A and higher can participate if they choose.

Everyone also knows about our year end performance recital because all of our students get to participate. We've been proud to bring you *Dorothy, Beauty* and now *Poppins*.

But we want to be sure everyone knows about our Performing Company Concert. Each year, in March or April, our Performing Company does a produc-

tion. These advanced dancers audition for a spot in our Performing Company and if accepted into the Company get the opportunity to train at a more rigorous pace.

The Pre-Professional Company dances more than 20 hours a week with classes and rehearsals. They have been working extremely hard to bring together our version of *Swan Lake*. We hope that you and your dancer will join us in the auditorium on March 10th. Tickets are on sale NOW!!

SWAN  
LAKE

Saturday  
March 10, 2018



### Holiday Class Reminders

**There WILL be classes held on Monday February 19th.**

If District 77 closes for a snow or weather related issue at any time during the day there will NOT be classes held at MBC that day. To be sure you can always check our FaceBook Page, or check your email.

## Box Office and Ticket Info

MBC has two amazing concerts coming up this spring.

### Swan Lake Concert on March 10th at 5pm

This event include a silent auction, complimentary desserts and beverages. Enjoy the elegance of dance! Tickets on sale NOW!

**Tickets: \$12 Adults ~ \$8 Children**

(Children 2 and under are free, but will need to sit on a lap.)

ALL enrolled dancers with MBC will receive a free ticket to this event with a paid adult ticket. Simply show your paid admission at the door and your child will be issued a ticket at the theater.



### Poppins Recital on May 19th and 20th

Tickets for Poppins will be available April 2nd. We will offer assigned seating this year, so purchase tickets early to select your seats!

**Ticket Prices: \$12 Adult \$9 Child**

(Children 2 and under are free, but will need to sit on a lap.)

Tickets for both events may be purchased through the Mankato Ballet Company website.

Tickets are non refundable and subject to online ticketing fee.

#### Ballet Shoe Notes

While we don't require you to purchase your dance shoes and tights through MBC, we do encourage you to do so. Many of the ballet slippers offered at Payless and Target are hard leather and make it difficult for the dancers to point their feet. Our ballet slippers are comparable in price and a great quality! We carry all sizes of ballet slippers and tights in stock, so see our office staff for assistance if you need new shoes before recital time.

# SWAN LAKE

Saturday  
March 10, 2018  
at  
West High School Auditorium



## Poppins Recital Information

**Location:** Saint Peter High School—Saint Peter, MN

**Dress Rehearsal:** Friday May 18th (beginning at 4:30pm)

**Performance Dates:** Saturday May 19th and Sunday May 20th.

**Performance Times:** 1:00pm and 5:00pm both days.

Dancers in the Pre-Tap, Tap 1, Tap 2, Jazz 1, Jazz 2, Modern 2, Creative Movement, Pre-Ballet and Ballet 1 levels will ONLY perform in one set of shows. They will EITHER be in BOTH Saturday shows or BOTH Sunday Shows. See the last page of the newsletter to know when you dancer is performing.

**DVD's:** DVD's will be \$30. These will be available online for you to add to your account beginning March 1st.

**Live Photos:** A link will be emailed out after the performance for anyone that wants to purchase pictures taken by our photographer during the show. The cost will be \$10.

**Volunteers:** Volunteers can sign up through SignUp.com. A link to this website will be emailed out.

### Costume Help Needed!

**C**ostume Class Volunteer Sign Up sheets are now posted. If you are interested in helping with your dancer's class to get their costumes ready please sign up this month! We need at least one helper per class.

**S**tarting at the end of this month costume tubs will be available for anyone who is interested in helping with recital costumes. Each class will have a tub with one completed costume and instructions and supplies to complete the rest of the costumes for that class.

**C**ostume projects are all simple and don't involve a lot of sewing or difficult work. Most of it is simply completing headpieces or embellishing an existing costume.

**O**nce all the required alterations are made return the tub to the office or your instructor. **Tubs should be returned by April 15th.**

**I**f you have questions while working on the costumes please ask your instructor or send an email to [info@mankatoballet.org](mailto:info@mankatoballet.org) and we will forward it to the head costumer to answer for you.



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## *Poppins* Recital Dance Themes and Performance Dates

<u>Class Dance</u>	<u>Class Level/Day</u>	<u>Performance Day</u>
Beagles/Fox	CM1 Mon &Tues /CM1 Thurs	Saturday Shows/Sunday Shows
Pigeons	CM2 Mon &Tues/CM2 Thurs	Saturday Shows/Sunday Shows
Robins	PB1 Tues 5:45/PB1 Thurs	Saturday Shows/Sunday Shows
Smoke	PB1 Tues 3:45	SATURDAY ONLY
Barnyard Animals	PB2 Tues/PB2 Thurs	Saturday Shows/Sunday Shows
Tuppence	Ballet 1/PB2 Thurs 3:15	Saturday Shows/Sunday Shows
Fire Crackers	Ballet 1A	ALL 4
Dolls	Ballet 1B	ALL 4
Mini Marys/Berts	Ballet 2A	ALL 4
Jockeys	Ballet 2B	ALL 4
Carousel Horses	Ballet 3A	ALL 4
Laughter	Ballet 3B	ALL 4
Kite Flyers	Ballet 4A	ALL 4
Baby Penguins	Pre-Tap	SUNDAY ONLY
Penguins	Tap 1 Tues 3:30/Tap 1 Tues 5:00	Saturday Shows/Sunday Shows
Penguin Waiters	Tap 2 Mon/Tap 2 Wed	Saturday Shows/Sunday Shows
Chimney Sweeps	Tap 3	ALL 4
Chimney Sweeps	Tap 4	ALL 4
Chimney Sweeps	Tap 5	ALL 4
Smoke	Modern 2	SUNDAY ONLY
Bird Ladies	Modern 3	ALL 4
Street Musicians	Jazz 1 Mon/Jazz 1 Tues	Saturday Shows/Sunday Shows
Nannies	Jazz 2 Mon/Jazz 2 Tues	Saturday Shows/Sunday Shows
Bank Executives	Jazz 3 Monday	ALL 4
Marionettes	Jazz 3 Tuesday	ALL 4
Bank Tellers	Jazz 4	ALL 4
Crowd/Band	Jazz 5	ALL 4
Chalk Drawing Pictures	World Fusion	ALL 4

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

The entire concert should run around 2 hours with intermission.

**Performances will be held at: Saint Peter High School**

**Dress Rehearsal: Friday May 18th**

**Performances: Saturday May 19th at 1pm 5pm and Sunday May 20th at 1pm and 5pm**

**Tickets one sale April 2nd!**