



January Newsletter

Classes are Back in Session!

The Mankato Ballet Company would like to welcome back all of its students as well as our new families!

All the staff and instructors are excited to have the dancers back in the studio.

We will be starting on recital dances in a few weeks and that is always such a fun time.

Please take a moment to read through this Newsletter as it will cover some important recital information as well as other reminders.



Mankato Ballet Company

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Special January Dates:

- ☺ January 15th—We DO have classes
- ☺ Mid January—Instructors will begin on recital dances.
- ☺ Late January—Student evaluations will be sent home for dancers 2B and higher.

Holiday Dates to Remember

We WILL have classes on
January 15th—Martin Luther King Jr. Day
We WILL have classes on
February 19th—Presidents Day
Performing Company SWAN LAKE
March 10th—West High School
We will NOT have classes on
March 26th through March 31st—Spring Break

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Poppins Class Dances and Performance Days

<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

Swan Lake Concert

Mark your calendars for another exciting performance by our Performing Company dancers. We will once again offer a FREE ticket to MBC dancers with a paid admission. Pick up your dancer's ticket in our office starting January 29th.

Performance Information

Performance Location: West High School

Performance Date: Saturday March 10th

Performance Time: 5:00pm

Ticket Prices: \$12 Adults and \$10 Child

Prices will increase to \$15 and \$12 at the door so purchase ahead of time!

Tickets will be available through TutuTix. A link will be available on our website January 29th.

Tickets are general admission and are non-refundable.

Tickets will be available at the door 1 hour before each performance.

SWAN
LAKE

Saturday
March 10, 2018
at
West High School Auditorium



Recital Costume Information

Recital costumes are already being worked on by Miss Leila. She will create one completed costume for each group. As things become ready she will bring up tubs that have all the necessary supplies to complete the remainder of costumes for that class.

We have posted a sign up sheet for parent volunteers. Each class is responsible for helping get their costumes done. One parent may volunteer to take them home and do everything, other classes may wish to work together on things.

Keep in mind, none of this will be very hard! Most costumes are already completed and will just need to be sized, have names added and headpieces made.



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Winter Weather Information

Mankato Ballet Company will close when District 77 closes. We will not have class if they close at any point during the day.

Cancelled classes are always posted on our website, Facebook and on our voicemail.

If it begins snowing later in the day please use your own judgment about coming in.

We appreciate a phone call so we know you are safe.



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January Class Information

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 or our accountant so that we can stop monthly billing.**

We close registration for class at the end of this month. If you were considering joining a supplementary class please do so soon.

Dancers will begin learning their recital dances at the end of January or beginning of February. This is exciting and we look forward to working with them.

Consistent class attendance is important so that dancers know their dance well and their classmates get to practice with the full cast as often as possible. Dancers who's attendance falls below 50% between January and March may not be permitted to perform.

There is no performance or costume fee for being in the recital. That has all been factored into the cost of tuition.

Tuition must be current by April 1st or dancers may not be permitted to perform. If you need to set up a specialized payment plan please reach out to our accountant and we'd be happy to help.

