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FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER

MANKATO BALLET COMPANY

Fall in LOVE with

Swan Lake

TICKETS ON SALE NOW!!!!!!

Mankato Ballet Performing Company has been working hard in rehearsals for our annual performance. Each year MBC features a full-length classical ballet and this year we are staging Swan Lake.

We encourage all our students to come see what their hard work in the studio can lead to. Attending and learning about ballet is important for up and coming young dancers.

In an effort to help promote that exposure all MBC students will get a free admission with a paid adult!!! Purchase tickets online.

There is no need to purchase a ticket for your enrolled MBC student as long as you have a paid adult admission to show at the door. ONE paid adult to ONE free dancer.

The performance is Sunday, March 6th at 5:00pm at West High School.

**SWAN
LAKE**

March 2022



IMPORTANT DATES:

**FEBRUARY 21ST - PRESIDENT'S DAY
MBC DOES HAVE CLASSES**

**MARCH 21-26TH - SPRING BREAK
MBC CLOSED FOR CLASSES**

**APRIL 18TH - EASTER MONDAY
MBC WILL HOLD CLASSES**

**APRIL 25-29TH - RECITAL PICTURE
WEEK**

**MAY 14-15TH - BEAUTY MBC
RECITAL PERFORMANCES**

IT'S RECITAL SEASON!!!!

CLASS DANCES, THEMES, SONGS ARE ALL READY TO GO.

RECITAL REMINDERS

- MBC has selected **Beauty** for our recital theme.
- Classes will work on dances during their class time
- Check your Band Group for your dancers assigned performance theme and performance date
- Dancers MUST complete our Opt-In form
- Dancers MUST be attending in-person more than 50% of the time to participate in the recital
- Dancers may attend virtually when needed due to illness
- Performances are May 14th and 15th
- Performances will be at noon and 5pm both days
- Performances will be at Saint Peter High School
- We may have a dress rehearsal on Friday, May 13th



MBC WELCOMES NEW 2022 BOARD MEMBERS

We would like to welcome three new board members to our MBC Board of Directors:

Sandy Asker

Nicole Sandman

Nicole Smithback

SUMMER CLASSES

MBC is in the process of planning a full array of summer classes for dancers.

Summer classes are offered in short 2 and 4 week sessions so they don't take up your entire summer.

These are great classes to try a new style like jazz or tap, maintain your technique, or bring a friend to see if they might enjoy dance.

Summer classes are a separate session and will need to be enrolled for individually. There is no registration fee and no formal dress code, making it easier to try out classes and styles.

DRESS CODE REMINDERS

MBC adheres to a Dress Code for a variety of reasons. It helps create fairness among students, prevents distractions, allows the instructors to make body alignment corrections, and upholds the standards of classical dance while emphasizing the importance of cleanliness and discipline. As we head into the second half of our season we wanted to remind everyone of the Dress Code Policies.

BALLET CLASSES

Girls: Class Leotard, pink tights and pink ballet slippers. Hair **MUST** be pulled into a pony. Upon reaching Ballet 1B and higher, all dancers **MUST** have a bun.

Boys: Black tights or leggings, black ballet slippers and a white T-shirt. Upon reaching Ballet 3A or higher dancers should have black tights, white socks and white ballet slippers.

SUPPLEMENTARY CLASSES

Dancers should be in all black, form fitting attire. Please no hoods, pockets, zippers etc. If dancers have ballet before or after a supplementary class please have them bring a black shirt and leggings to wear over their leotard. Hair **MUST** be secured away from the face in a bun, pony, or braid. Dancers should be in the appropriate shoes for their supplementary class.

NOTE: As a general request from all instructors, please pay attention to your dancers hair. Instructors, staff and TA's are spending a lot of time helping dancers put hair back and we are supplying a lot of hair ties and bobby pins to dancers.

MBC embraces all religions, races, creeds and ethnicity and is happy to honor the traditions and beliefs of our students. Families are more than welcome to share their dress/attire needs and customs with us and MBC is happy to modify our Dress Code as needed to embrace all those who want to participate in the art of dance.

DANCER OF THE MONTH

QUINN RASSBACH

Congratulations to our dancer of the month Quinn Rassbach! She is currently a Ballet 4B dancer and is a Corps de Ballet member of the MBC Performing Company. She has been dancing for 10 years and in addition to ballet she really enjoys jazz.

