

Sept. 14, 2009

Ballet Bitterroot Performing Arts, Inc.

Come and dance with us this year.

Ballet Buzz

Annual Parent Mandatory Meeting

Our annual mandatory parent meeting will be held at the studio on Saturday, 9/18/2009, at 10am. We need everyone who has a dancers this year to attend this important meeting.

This is our opportunity to get out important information about the year, and for parents to ask questions, talk about concerns, and give input about Ballet Bitterroot. We will be asking for a nomination from a the parents for a parent representative to the Board.

A lot of information will be going out during this meeting so lease plan on attending.



The 1st half of the meeting we will discuss things like school policies, school handbook, scholarships, afterschool, etc.

The 2nd half of the meeting will be about this years Nutcracker. If you dancer is

not participating in this years Nutcracker you can leave for this part of the meeting.

See you then...

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Café Ballet



Latte for Mom's/Ballet for kids.

Café Ballet is planning its Debut on Saturday, September 19, 2009 for the Annual Parent Meeting.

The regular hours for Café Ballet will be Monday—Thursday from 3:45 pm to 6pm.

Coffee cards will be 10 lattes for \$30. That's \$3 a latte regardless of flavors or number of shot of espresso.

What a deal!

Unfortunately we will not be selling individual lattes because we don't want to keep cash on hand at the studio.

Come, relax and drink a latte while your child is in his or her dance class.

Are you getting your dance bag ready for class.

- Black Leotard
- Tights
- Hair Brush
- Pony Tail Holders
- Dance shoes
- Bobby Pins
- Water Bottle

Have you registered for classes this fall?

Have you registered for dance classes yet this fall? Many classes are filling fast.

This year is no different than other years, which means many classes fill quickly and will have waiting lists. We don't want that to happen to you so please get yourself registered for classes as soon as possible.

Please call your friends to let them know so they can dance too. If they are new to Ballet Bitterroot please remind them that the first class is always free.

You can go to our website at www.balletbitterroot.com and print off a registration form.



Dance Rags.....**No Shipping Fees - EVER!** That's right! We combine studio dance wear orders so you don't have to pay shipping! Plus, we're convenient with a customer-friendly return policy!

Jazz

Miss Stephanie prefers the black, slip-on jazz shoes for her students. We have 3 styles in the mid-price range of \$28 - \$35. Also, plenty of the Straight Leg or Fold-over Waist black jazz pants in stock.

- Ballet -

Skirts required for Pointe class....Watercolor chiffon skirts just arrived! Pointe shoes are special order, but we have canvas and leather ballet shoes in every size!

...Tap...

Good News! Lots of "almost new" tap shoes for sale. Priced according to brand name and condition.

Dance Rags for Dance Bags...Are YOU ready for a dance bag check in your class?

School Year Calendar

September 14, 2009

Classes Begin

September 19, 2009

Parent Meeting 10 am

September 19, 2009

Nutcracker Signups/Audition for all other dancers

October 12–16, 2009

Closed: We encourage dancers 10 & up to attend MDAA

October 15–18 MDAA

Thanksgiving Week: Closed

Nutcracker Practice will still occur

Nutcracker: Dec. 4, 5, & 6, 2009

May 10th–16th, 2010

Spring Performance Week



“Dreams of Nutcracker”



This year we are having open auditions for our performance. If you have a friend that has been dying to perform in the Nutcracker please pass on the word that we are having open audition.

The performance fee this year is \$60, and we are asking that each dancer please find a sponsor as well.

Solo auditions took place on Friday, September 11th, and open auditions will be taking place on Saturday September 19, 2009. Dancers and parents are **required** to arrive at the studio at 10 am to attend the parent meeting, and then auditions will take place directly after the meeting.

Rehearsals will be on Friday's & Saturday's from September 18th until our performance December 4, 5 & 6. We may even have rehearsals the week of Thanksgiving. Once parts are assigned a rehearsal sched-

ule will go out to everyone.

We are also looking for ticket sponsors, advertising sponsors, and business who want to advertise in our program. If you know anyone who is interested in this please have them contact Jacque VanDenburg at 363-5393.

A Program sponsor brochure will be out by the time classes start in September.

We invite all children ages 6 to 106 to join us. Everyone will get a part.

Volunteering at Ballet Bitterroot

We truly appreciate all the parents, grandparents and community members who have so lovingly and selflessly given of there time and talent over the past ten years at Ballet Bitterroot.

What happens at our studio could not go on with out all the help and support we have received.

There is still a great need at our studio to volunteers. There are needs that are as small as sewing buttons, answering phones, making phone calls, etc. to as big as chairing a fundraising committee.

Can you lend us a hand this year? We really could use it. Talk with Char, Deb, Ellen or Jacque about it.

“Volunteers are love in Motion” Unknown



Dress Code

Students will be expected to be dressed & ready to dance before class begins. Jewelry isn't allowed in class except for small post type earrings.

The following is the dress code:

Ballet: Female dancers must wear a black leotard, pink tights, and pink ballet shoes. Hair must be worn off the neck in a secure bun. Boys are required to wear black pants, white t-shirt, and black ballet shoes.

Jazz: Leotard worn with tights and black jazz pants. Black slip on Jazz shoes. Hair must be pulled up into a secure ponytail.

Hip-Hop: Leotard worn under loose fitting pants (no jeans) and loose fitting t-shirt. Tennis shoes are required. Dancers are required to have a designated pair of tennis shoes for class only, which is never worn outside the studio. **No Street Shoes!**

Tap: Pant requirement is “Capri” style loose fitting pant, t-shirt, and black tap shoes (not Mary Jane style). Hair must be pulled up into a secure ponytail.

Students not dressed properly for class may be asked to leave class or asked to sit out.