



# FEBRUARY NEWS

*Season 17*



## SUMMER & FALL REGISTRATION

Our summer camp schedule and fall/spring class schedule will be listed on the website February 15th. We will begin accepting registration from current MDC families for both on February 17th on a first come, first serve basis. Registration will open to the public on March 1st. Plan to register early so you don't end up on a waitlist!

### 5, 10 & 15 YEAR DANCERS

If you have been dancing with us for 5, 10 or 15 consecutive years, please notify the office so we can honor you at recital. For 5 year dancers, we need an early dance shoe (preferably ballet or jazz) by March 1st. Please deliver this shoe to the office in a Zip-loc bag labeled with the dancer's name.

### 2025/2026 COMPANY024 AUDITIONS

Company auditions will be held on Saturday, May 17th. An informational parent meeting is scheduled for Friday, May 2nd, at 5pm and is required for all new parents having dancers interested or planning to audition. Prep classes will be held Friday, May 16th. More detailed information will be in the March newsletter.

## CALENDAR

- February 3-6- Open Curtain Part 2
- February 17- 2025-2026 Registration & 2025 Summer Registration opens for current families
- February 17-21- Picture Week (no classes)
- March 1- Registration opens to the public
- March 10-14- Closed for Spring Break
- May 5 & 6- Tech Rehearsals at HCU
- May 26-29- Closed for holiday
- May 30 & 31- Recitals at HCU

## LOOK YOUR BEST!

This is a great time to revisit the Policy & Procedure Guide to ensure your dancer is coming to class dressed their best and ready to learn! Please remember that hair needs to be secured neatly out of the face, pink tights that cover the toes are required for all ballet and combo class dancers, fake nails are not permitted and only stud earrings are allowed. We also ask that you visit Memorial Dancewear or any other reputable dancewear store in the Houston area for purchasing all shoes. Proper fit and quality equipment is necessary for the safety of your dancer.

## COSTUME CHECK & PICTURE WEEK

Costumes will begin going home the week of Valentine's Day, along with any ordered tights & T-shirts. Please try costumes on as soon as possible to make sure they fit! If they are too big, you can alter them. If they are too small, notify the office immediately. Late order costumes will go home as soon as we receive them. The 2025 Recital Guide will be emailed, providing you with all recital information and details.

Individual photos will be taken at the studio February 17-21 by David Shutts Photography. Payment will be due at the time of your sitting. You will also be able to purchase an ad in the recital program using the photo taken by David Shutts Photography. Additionally, we will hold costume check to be sure all costumes are worn the same and you have all accessories, so it is mandatory that you attend even if you choose not to have your photo taken. You may wear your hair as you wish for individual photos. We will not hold classes these days. Links to the photo and program ad order forms will be sent with the Recital Guide.

NEW THIS YEAR! We are very excited to offer business ads in our Recital Program. A link to the business ad order form will be sent with the Recital Guide. If you have a local business that meets the requirements outlined in the order form, please submit the completed form to [info@memorialdance.com](mailto:info@memorialdance.com). Space is very limited!

Every dancer has been given an assigned day/time. This schedule can be found in the link in this email blast. Dates and times are firm. We must first clear the previous group of dancers before admitting the next group. Should you be unable to attend your scheduled time, please call or email the office to reschedule. You will not be admitted on a day and time for which you are not scheduled. We thank you in advance for your assistance and understanding as we strive to provide an efficient and calm picture week for our dancers and families.

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