

# Newsletter

Happy Spring! Things start to move quickly now, and we strive to keep you informed every step of the way!



• Fri 6/7, 6pm • Sat, 6/8, 10am • Sat 6/8, 1:30pm • Sat 6/8, 6:30pm

• Show Information Packets can be located HERE: [http://www.summerdancedance.com/OldSite/Assets/2019\\_ShowPacket.pdf](http://www.summerdancedance.com/OldSite/Assets/2019_ShowPacket.pdf)

• Costume Instructions are also available and can be found HERE: [http://www.summerdancedance.com/OldSite/Assets/2019\\_Costume\\_Instructions.pdf](http://www.summerdancedance.com/OldSite/Assets/2019_Costume_Instructions.pdf)

• Tickets will go on sale May 10th.

• Show Tip: Take a peek at your dancer's practice video to get a sense of where she or he stands on stage before purchasing your tickets.

• Interested in a recital t-shirt? We'll be ordering those soon! They are a raglan style this year with colored sleeves and a solid body, \$20. Let us know by April 10th.

• Performance fees of \$35 will be assessed for all dancers performing in the June shows this month. This covers t-shirts, programs, etc.

*We CONGRATULATE all of our dancers who participated in their school musicals –Bravo!!*

## SUMMER!

Check out all of the exciting opportunities at The Studio or online!

### April

- 1 - 4 - Spring picture week
- 6 - NHSDA Induction
- 6 - RTB Spring Gala
- 12 - Sibling Dance 5:30 - 6:30
- 13 - Make-up pictures
- 17 - 23 - Spring Break
- 20 - Ad forms and flower forms due
- 26 - Sibling Dance 5:30 - 6:30

### May

- 11 - Auditions for Performing Groups, Competition Teams, and Contemporary Video
- 20 - 25 - Spirit Week!
- 25 - National Tap Dance Day
- 28 - Blocking Week starts at The Studio

### June

- 3 - 5 - Dress Rehearsals at Scottish Rite Theater
- 7 - 8 - Recitals at Scottish Rite Theater

**April 1 - 4, & 13**  
Spring Picture Week



at The Studio

**Sat April 6**



RTB Spring Gala

**Sat April 6**



NHSDA Induction

**April 17 - 23**



Spring Break, no classes

## Upcoming Dates

- **April 1 - 4** Spring pictures will be taken at The Studio during the evening in lieu of class. Please see the schedule and information that was emailed out. It is also posted in many locations, and available at the desk, at The Studio.
- **April 6** - NHSDA Induction ceremony at John Harris Mansion 1:30 - 2:30pm.
- **April 6** - Raising the Barre Gala, 6pm, Wesley United Methodist Church
- **April 10 - 16** - Easter fun for our Preschool and Shining Stars classes. Check your email for details.
- **April 13** - Pictures for the Saturday classes, 5 & 10 Year Award Winners, Seniors, and Make-up pictures. Please see Vicki or Michelle to schedule make-up pictures.
- **April 20** - Recital Forms Due - Recital Program Keepsake Ad form and Flower Pre-order form due
- **May 3 - 5** - Dance Competition in Lancaster
- **May 11** - Competition Team, Performing Group, and Contemporary Video auditions - School-wide auditions for these groups. Schedule posted below.
- **May 1** - New Family Recital Orientation [6:30 - 7:00pm] and Backstage Volunteer Meeting [7:30 - 8:00]
- **May 1 - 20** - Early Fall Registration discount period
- **May 20 - May 25**- Spirit Week at The Studio. More info to come.

## Mark Your Calendars

- **May 28 - May 30** is Blocking Week with rehearsals at The Studio
- **June 3 - 8** is Show Week including rehearsals at the Scottish Rite Theater

## All Payments due May 10th

All monies for the 2018 - 2019 dance year must be paid by Friday, May 10th.

## Fall Registration

This year our Early Registration discount period is from May 1 - 20. If you would like to register your dancer for the Fall 2019-2020 season at this time your registration fee is free! How this works: You will receive a placement letter for your dancer via email. If interested, you will register for the classes either online or at the desk, and pay the \$30 automatically charged registration fee. When classes start in the fall, we will issue a full \$30 credit to your account!

## Raising the Barre Corner



RTB will be hosting a Food Drive benefiting the Central PA Food Bank, beginning on **Monday, May 6th**. Collection will go through **Thursday, May 16th**. Flyers will be posted as well. RTB members will have a donation area where you can drop off food.



## Annual Gala

On **Saturday, April 6th** at 6pm, RTB will be hosting its Second Annual Gala at Wesley United Methodist Church in Marysville. Mark your calendars, you won't want to miss it!

A delicious dinner will be provided along with a silent auction and a brief presentation.

If you have any interest in making a donation towards their silent auction, just let us know. Tickets will be on sale the week of April 1st.

### **AUDITIONS: Performing Groups, Competition Teams, Contemporary Video Camp**

As we provide our dancers new ways to grow, we continue to offer our Studio Company opportunities – Performing Groups, Competition Teams, and the Ballet Company. These, along with our professionally staged ballets and recitals allow our dancers a real variety of performance opportunities.

If you'd like your dancer to join us in these endeavors come out for auditions on **May 11th**. Auditions for our performing groups are a good experience for our dancers, and are not competitive.

- Performing groups perform at events such as The Pennsboro PumpkinFest, Senior Centers, Senators games, local community showcases, or Hershey Park.
- Competition Teams compete in two weekend competitions and participate in one adjudicated dance conventions as well.
- The Ballet Company performs in our professionally staged ballets. Our next ballet is Spring 2020 and auditions will be in September.
- Participation in these groups comes with additional class requirements for both summer and fall. If you would like to be in The Studio Company, see the Company Handbook at the desk (which will be updated before auditions.)
- Auditions will be based on genre of interest this year.

We are thrilled to offer these opportunities to our dancers. I sincerely hope you share in our enthusiasm!

The schedule is as follows:

Saturday, May 11
<i>Auditions for Competition Teams, Performing Groups, and Contemporary Video Camp</i>
9:00 - 9:40: Contemporary (Video Camp, Teams, or PGs) - dancers 11+
9:40 - 10:20: Jazz (Teams, or PGs) - 7+
10:20 - 10:50: Tap (Teams, or PGs) - 7+
10:50 - 11:30: Hip Hop (Teams, or PGs) - 7+



Since its inception, The Studio has been interested in bettering our community and performed at community events our very first year. In 2011, The Studio launched its first year-long service project by supporting the American Literacy Corporation. Other projects have included the Yellow Ribbon Reintegration Program (US Army), the Ronald McDonald House, Leg Up Farm, New Hope Ministries, Juvenile Arthritis, Traveling Tutus, the Central PA Food Bank, and many more. The Studio has cumulatively donated over \$200,000.

For three years we were members of 1% for Humanity, donating one percent of our revenue to humanitarian aid organizations. A worthy group, 1% has struggled and we're changing gears. Our giving this year continued to focus on local, US, and international efforts toward basic needs, girls' education, clean water, and disaster relief.

At this time, we plan to continue our environmental focus and increase endeavors in that area. To that effort, we're excited to introduce our first annual Green Report. This is simply meant as a tool to keep you, our community informed, as well as hold us accountable for doing our part for the environment.

- We've installed four efficient hand dryers. Two we've had for going on nine years, and longevity is where these score well. Two more were purchased with the expansion of Studio 5.
- We've purchased refillable water bottles for the entire school twice. I certainly understand convenience and am as guilty as anyone. But I do believe small changes help.
- We refill hand soap dispensers. A small thing.
- When the toilet in the restroom closest to the Studio Shoppe needed replacing, we did so with a water efficient model.
- With our expansion into our fifth dance floor, we purchased 60 LED overhead lights instead of cheaper fluorescent lights. As we're tenants, this was an investment.
- Starting this month we're transitioning to 100% recycled copy paper. We try not to use a lot of paper, but there are times when it's necessary.
- Starting this month we're transitioning to 100% recycled toilet paper.
- Starting this month we'll have two, more easily identifiable, recycling bins in the main lobby.

Some of this stuff probably sounds silly, but you'd be surprised how much toilet paper we go through. ;) We plan to do what we can without dance costing an arm and a leg.

So thank you for all you do to contribute to the wonderful community we love! We'll do our best to work alongside you, striving for the best for all of our kids.

Jen & Kevin