

Marilyn Schneider School of Dance

April Dances



Costume Balances

Thank you to all who have been asking about costume balances. I hope to have the majority of bills ready by April 25th

Spring has arrived and hopefully the warm weather will remain with us. That means recital is getting closer. Costumes are arriving and there are sequins and rhinestones everywhere! Some of my funnier memories as a teacher are getting the little ones to focus in class and stop picking up sequins off the floor. When they try on their costumes and see themselves in the mirror, the look on their faces is precious. We will soon be trying on costumes. Keep in mind costumes are not made exactly to student's measurements so minor alterations may be necessary. Costumes will be handed out after balances are paid in full. When costumes are taken home, please write names on all costume pieces and accessories, hang costumes to allow wrinkles to fall out, attach all accessories and keep all items together.

HAPPY SPRING HAPPY RECITAL
MARILYN

Exciting News!

Our venue for our June 20 Recital has CHANGED to Greece Olympia High School. A huge thanks to Greece Town Board Member David DiPonzio who worked the impossible. Show times will remain the same – 1:00 & 6:00. Our Thursday June 18 Dress Rehearsal will be at Olympia. We will have our finale in both shows and our award ceremony will follow the finale of Show 2. We are SO excited!!



Please mark your calendars for these important dates

Recital pictures will be taken Monday June 8th and Tuesday June 9th at the studio.

Photo schedule is posted in the lobby and on the website. Dress Rehearsal times will also be posted in the lobby.

Dance Masters of America Performing Arts Competition was held in Cicero, NY on March 28th & 29th.

Our Elite Travel team & House team traveled for this major dance event. Congratulations to Petite Miss Dance 3rd Runner Up Daniella Jones and 2nd Runner Up Autumn Rogers. Congratulations also go to Korrie Kaufman, 2026 Junior Miss Dance and Armani Scott 1st Runner Up. And last but not least, congratulations to Madi Boura, 2026 Miss Dance. Madi and Korrie will be traveling to Connecticut to represent New York in the National Competition. Congrats to our PAC winners, as well. Nick Guarino earned the top soloist of the entire competition. Nick & Averie took the top duet 13 & over while Korrie & Armani were the top 12 & under duet. Aria Lekich took the top spot for 12 & under solos. Our House Team – Karalyn, Autumn, Aria, Daniella & Bella – were the top 12 & under group. And Senior Lyrical – Madi, Sarah & Olivia - were the top scoring 13 and over group! We have so much to be proud of!

Wear your summer attire! Registration will open for Summer classes and Summer Dance Camps!

LOST AND FOUND

The box in the lobby under the coat rack contains lost and found items. It is filling up. Please take a minute to check and see if anything belongs to your dancer. Items left will be donated to Goodwill after Easter break.

Academic Achievers

Be sure to turn in a copy of your child's report card by May 1st to be recognized in our program as an Academic Achiever. Excellence in schoolwork is a definite plus for dancers. The report card can be from any quarter this year.

You don't always get what you wish for but you get what you work for!

Teachers are deciding on the Outstanding Achievement Award recipients. All students are eligible. Ask your teacher how you can earn one!

Proper Dancewear

It's important that students wear proper dance clothes and shoes along with having their hair tightly pulled back and off their face. Please come to class prepared!

WE HAVE A BUSY TIME AHEAD OF US WITH COSTUMES, PICTURES, REHEARSALS, REGISTRATION FOR SUMMER AND THE 2025-2026 RECITAL. WITH THIS BUSY TIME COMES A LOT OF QUESTIONS AND WE ARE HERE TO HELP. CALL ME AT 227-6413 OR EMAIL AT MECACCAMISE@GMAIL.COM ANYTIME!

Registration – Classes for this season are closed but we are thinking of our summer dance session and the 2026-2027 dance year. Registration for the fall classes will begin April 30th. Interested in dancing this summer? Summer registration is now open. We are offering our regular dance classes as well as several dance camps. All dancers are encouraged to dance in the summer. Any dancer wishing to compete with our Company teams, must attend summer classes.



CRAZY WEATHER

Mother Nature has been playing lots of games with us in Western NY this year. While our goal is to remain open, for the safety of our staff and students, we have found it necessary to close once this season due to poor weather. All classes missed for any reason can be made up but it is not required for Perfect Attendance, when due to weather.

Family and Business Program Advertising

Show your support for the dancers in your life. Place an ad in the Recital Program. Include personal messages and photos to let the dancer in your family know how proud you are of him or her. Business advertising is also welcome. More than 1,000 residents will view your ad. Please support our efforts to give dancers memorable keepsakes. The recital program is funded by these ads. Ad forms can be obtained from any Company Dancer or Parent.

Absenteeism

It is the student's responsibility to attend all classes, therefore reductions are not given for missed classes.

Recital Tees

Recital t-shirts with all of the performer's names on them will be here shortly. These shirts are worn often – at Recital, Tutu Walk, Awards Ceremony, Community Service and Fundraisers.



RECITAL TICKETS

Recital tickets will be available after May 1st. Each family is responsible to pay an \$85 recital fee. This covers the theater rental, extra insurance, lighting, sound equipment etc. You will receive 2 tickets and Backstage passes.

Please Note

When there is an account balance due for tuition or costumes, the costume(s) will be retained at the studio until the balance is paid in full.



With warm weather also comes Spring sports season. We ask everyone to remember that classes are now working on recital numbers and thus we need dancers in class.

Attendance Awards

Awards for Perfect Attendance are presented to dancers at dress rehearsal. To qualify, all lessons must be made up by May 30th. We do not allow make ups in June. All rehearsals are mandatory. Thank you for reminding your dancers of this.

Practice! Practice! Practice!

We are entering recital mode. Dancers should be practicing their dances daily. Like any other sport, your dancer has a responsibility to themselves as well as their teammates. You are encouraged to purchase music CDs for \$2. Please ask your teacher.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

A huge **THANK YOU** to all who participated in the food drive to help our Greece neighbors! We collected and donated 15 lbs of food to the Greece Ecumenical Food Shelf!

Starbound Competition Our House Company and some of our soloists will be attending the Starbound Dance Competition April 17-19 right here in Rochester at the West Herr Auditorium Theatre. This will be our last competition for the season. Come cheer them on!

CONGRATULATIONS

to our students who participated in their school musicals this year!

Sound of Music – Jamie Fetzner & Madi Boura

Into the Woods – Kendall Flannery & Brooklyn Thomas

Mean Girls – Olivia Falkner

Something Rotten – Nick Guarino
Wizard of OZ – Sami Jones & Korrie Kaufman

Seusical – Aria Lekich

DANCER RECITAL 2026

LOVE NOTES

Love notes are printed in the June performance program to leave your dancer a personalized message.

All Love Notes must be 30 words or less.

Any message over 30 words will be charged an additional \$.20 per word.



OPTIONS:	PRICE:	QUANTITY:
1 - Love Note	\$5.00	
3 - Love Notes	\$12.00	
1 - 1"x1" Picture Love Note (Don't Worry if you don't have a 1x1 picture, just provide a small picture and we will crop it for you. The picture MUST include your name AND the dancers name)	\$10.00	
1- Dancer Shoutout - 2"x3" program space (Business card sized)	\$25.00	
Additional words	\$.20/word	
Your Name _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input type="checkbox"/> Check (Made Payable to MS Company Dancers) <input type="checkbox"/> Venmo to @karanettnin (include Love Note in 'What's this for?' field)	Total: \$ _____	_____

Please **complete this form and enclose it with your payment in an envelope marked "Love Notes"** and place it in one of the marked boxes which will be located in the Long Pond studio and Marilyn's house OR your love note **can be emailed to Kara Nettin at karanettnin@yahoo.com** Please also note in your email your method of payment so we can match them up. She will send you a confirming email noting the receipt of both.

You can also look on the MSSOD Facebook page. Thank you for supporting your dancer and the MSSOD Company!

♥ **Love Note To:** _____

From: _____ **Phone # (for questions)** _____

Message (please print clearly): _____

