



*Through dance, Deborah Case Dance Academy, is committed to teaching the artistic, physical, and intellectual needs of it's students. We inspire students to believe in unlimited possibilities. We teach technique.*

## November 2018

VIP Tickets to Winter Recital go on sale at DCDA, Sunday, Nov. 4, at 12:00-2:00 pm for those who placed their photo in the program. Ticket sales for everyone will go on sale Sunday, Nov. 11, from 12:00-2:00 pm. Studio Policy: Outstanding balances, and tuition for November must be paid before you can purchase a ticket. Tickets are reserved seating at \$15.00. Dancers must have a ticket to enter the theater.

On Monday, Nov. 12, 2018 at 5:00 pm, the Rio Grande Valley Ballet is receiving a **proclamation from the City of McAllen declaring the week as "Nutcracker Days."** Dancers in The Nutcracker who wish to attend the City Commission meeting and stand with me in receiving the proclamation are invited to come to McAllen City Hall wearing their favorite Nutcracker costume. Please let Deborah know if you will be coming.

**Preparations for Winter Recital, 2018:** Dancers will need to wear a beige basic (camisole) underneath all costumes for privacy protection when changing costumes. Female dancers wear "stage make-up." Make-up kits can be purchased at the desk for \$25. The light blue stage make-up colors are uniform for everyone, and can take the harsh stage lighting. Refills on lipstick are available for \$8.

All tumbling and ballet dancers wear Capezio "ballet pink" tights with ballet shoes. Tumbling at 12:00 wear white tumbling shoes for better traction. Jazz and tap dancers in levels I-II, wear beige tights. All female dancers wear their hair in a bun (do not use "donut" to make hair appear larger) and no jewelry.

Friday, Nov. 30, at 5:30 pm, **Winter Recital dress rehearsal** (wear costumes and stage make-up) at the McAllen Performing Arts Center, 801 Convention Blvd. Do not be late!

Saturday, Dec, 1, at 10:00 am, **Winter Recital show** at the McAllen Performing Arts Center, 801 Convention Blvd. Dancers arrive at 9:15am. Due to our Winter Recital on Nov. 30, and Dec. 1, the studio will not have classes.

**Costumes for Spring Recital, Ballet Gala, 2019, go on sale this month.** Deadline for placing your order for the annual spring show is Feb. 1, 2019.

The Dance Academy will be closed for Thanksgiving Holidays from Nov. 22-25, 2018.

The Dance Academy will be closed Dec. 24-Jan. 6, 2019. Regular classes resume Jan. 7, 2019. All holidays are calculated into your tuition cost. Don't skip out. We are here!

Ballet Exams will be Dec. 17-22, for Ballet II-VIII. Deborah will give each dancer a written evaluation on each dancer's progress after classes.

*"Excellence is never an accident; it is the result of high intention, sincere effort, intelligent direction, skillful execution and the vision to see obstacles as opportunities." Anonymous*

## Calendar of Events

### November

November 22-24, Thanksgiving Holidays the studio will be closed.

November 28, **The Nutcracker** dress rehearsal at the McAllen Performing Arts Center. Cast I from 4:30-6:15 pm; Cast II from 6:30-8:30 pm.

November 29, **The Nutcracker** student matinees for Cast I. Arrive at 8:00 am. at McAllen Performing Arts Center. Advanced dancers arrive at 7:30 am for stage warm-up.

November 30, **The Nutcracker** student matinees for Cast II. Arrive at 8:00 am. at McAllen Performing Arts Center. Advanced dancers arrive at 7:30 am for stage warm-up.

November 30, **Winter Recital** dress rehearsal begins at 5:30 pm-7:30 pm at McAllen Performing Arts Center. Dancers arrive at 4:45 pm. Have hair and make-up done at home.

### December

**Decemer 1**, **Winter Recital** begins at 10:00am at McAllen Performing Arts Center

December 1, **The Nutcracker** public show begins at 7:00pm at MPAC.

Cast I costumes must be returned to the studio from 9:15-10:00 pm. No exceptions!

December 2, **The Nutcracker** public show begins at 2:00pm at MPAC

Cast II costumes must be returned to studio by 5:00 pm. No exceptions!

Cast party at DCDA from 5:00-6:00 pm. Dancers must wear socks!

## 2019

### January

January 7, Classes resume!

### February

February 1, deadline for Spring Recital Costume sales.

### March

March 16,-17, Spring Recital photo session

March 23-24, Spring Recital photo session

### May

May 15, Wednesday, **Spring Recital Ballet Gala, 2019**, 5:30 pm dress rehearsal at the McAllen Performing Arts Center

May 16, Thursday, **Spring Recital Ballet Gala, 2019** 6:30 pm at the McAllen Performing Arts Center

### Dance Academy Policy Reminders

Keep the dance floors clean by carrying the dance shoes in a bag.

No powder or lotion is allowed in the dance studios.

All dancers must wear their hair in a bun for all classes. Jewelry is not allowed.

No food, candy or drinks allowed in studios.

Parents are *expected* to pick up their child promptly after class.

We do not send out a monthly bill or a statement. Tuition is due the 1st of the month. A late fee of \$25.00 is charged after the 10th of the month for any unpaid tuition. Tuition can be mailed to 5240 N. 10th Street, McAllen, Tx. 78504 if necessary. Dancers are considered enrolled unless the front desk has been notified otherwise. Students will be dropped after 2 months of absences and must re-enroll to return to class. There is an annual registration charge of \$30.00. All holidays are calculated into tuition plan.