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Season 8 Issue #2

IT'S 2018!

Welcome back to dance! In this newsletter, we hope to answer some frequently asked questions and aim to keep you informed and organized during the months leading up to competition season and recital! We are so proud of all our dancers; the hard work and loyalty has contributed to the success of Impulse's 8th season!

We thank you from the bottom of our hearts, and we can't wait to showcase our wonderful dancers at various competitions and our year-end shows! We are happy to see increased activity on our Impulse Performance Arts Facebook pages, new followers on our @impulsePA Twitter account and the "Impulse_Performance_Arts" Instagram! Make sure you check your email and the studio lobby often to stay informed.

Happy Dancing! Lindsay and Elizabeth

2018 IMPORTANT DATES/HOLIDAYS

Family Day Holiday/No Classes: Mon. Feb. 19th **March Break(Studio Closed)**: Sun. March 11th – Sun. March 18th Good Friday Holiday: Fri. March 30th Victoria Day Holiday: Mon. May 21st **Recital Picture Day**: May 26th and 27th, 2018 **Recital**: Dress Rehearsal- Fri. June 8th, approx. 5:30pm

Show #1 - Sat. June 9^{th} , evening show Show #2 - Sun. June 10^{th} , afternoon show

WINTER IS HERE! PLEASE PLACE ALL **OUTDOOR BOOTS/SHOES ON THE SHOE RACKS AT THE FRONT DOOR.**

FINAL WEEK OF CLASSES

Our last week of regular classes for the 2017/2018 dance season is Friday June 1st - Thurs. June 7th. We complete our dance season with our fabulous recital shows!

TUITION PAYMENTS

Impulse's full 2017/2018 dance season runs from the 2nd week of September 2017 to the 2nd week of June 2018.

Upon registration, you were offered the choice of 2 tuition payment plans;

(1) Season tuition paid in FULL, or

(2) Season tuition broken into 10-equal installments due the 1st of each month (Sept. 1, 2017 - June 1, 2018)

*These are NOT pay-per-month payments. These installments are the full-season dance tuition divided into 10-equal payments.

Impulse accepts cash or email money transfer (due the 1st of each month) or cheque (please provide 10 postdated cheques made out to "Impulse Performance Arts"). Please be sure to provide payment in a timely fashion as late fees will apply. All cheques returned to Impulse as **NSF** will be charged a \$20.00 fee. We will provide an emailed receipt for income tax purposes by mid-February 2018 (or upon request).

FUNDRAISING

Every year, Impulse dancers raise money for competitive/recital costumes through a successful (and OPTIONAL) chocolate bar fundraising program:

The Aunt Sarah's Simply Delicious chocolate sales are planned for February/March 2018. Sell a box or boxes of chocolates to friends/family/co-workers etc. and your account at Impulse is credited! Information will be sent out via email and will be posted at the studio ASAP.



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CLASS OBSERVATION WEEK

We welcome parents/families directly into our dance studios to watch classes in action!

Monday January 22nd - Saturday January 27th

is Class Observation Week at Impulse. You are welcome to bring a camera to capture the smiles!

Please note: space is limited and there are not enough chairs for everyone inside the classes. No outdoor shoes allowed in the studios.

RECITAL COSTUMES

Recital costumes will be arriving at the studio April/May 2018. Your Impulse teachers will then add special little details to costumes and hair pieces! Dancers will try on their costumes DURING class to ensure they fit.

Students can take their costume(s) home ON PICTURE DAY(May 26th/27th 2018) <u>if the final</u> <u>outstanding costume balance is paid</u>. Costumes

do not go home until after Picture Day. Final costume balances will be added to your online account once costumes arrive at the studio. Impulse tries VERY hard to keep recital costume costs low.

Total costume cost is approx. **\$85-\$100/costume** including tax. Please keep all costume(s) in a clean,

dry place so they remain in perfect, performance condition! Do not wear costumes before recital! Note: Tights and shoes are not included in the recital costume. These specific requirements will be emailed and posted closer to May 2018.



YEAR-END RECITAL Location: Bishop Ryan Catholic Secondary School Auditorium

1824 Rymal Road E. Hannon, ON LOR 1P0 Dress Rehearsal: Fri. June 8th, evening

This is a <u>closed</u> dress rehearsal; meaning ONLY dancers are allowed inside the auditorium. This is a special opportunity for our dancers as it is the only time they are able to sit in the auditorium and see the entire show! We will be asking for parent volunteers to sit in the auditorium with the dance classes during the rehearsal. Watch for sign-up sheets in the lobby.

Recital Shows: Sat. June 9th, evening show & Sun. June 10th, afternoon show. All Impulse recreational classes will perform in both recital shows. As Impulse grows, so does the length/duration of our recital show. In order to keep our shows at a reasonable length, competitive <u>solos/duets/trios</u> will only perform in the Feb Competitive Showcase. Competitive Groups will be split over the 2 recital shows in June. We will be asking for parent volunteers to help in the dressing rooms. Watch for sign-up sheets in the studio lobby. *RECITAL SHOW ORDER WILL BE POSTED AT THE STUDIO CLOSER TO JUNE!

RECITAL TICKETS

Recital tickets will go on sale at the studio in late-May 2018. Tickets are <u>\$18.00/seat</u> including tax IN ADVANCE (\$20.00/seat at the door, cash only). The auditorium is <u>general admission</u>, so seats are first-come, first-serve.

Note: Dancers require a ticket <u>if</u> they want to sit in the audience after they have performed.

Performers typically remain in the dressing rooms during a performance.



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RECITAL PICTURE DAY

Professional photos will be taken of all groups/dancers by *Horizon Photography* on May 26th and May 27th, 2018. <u>Exact dates and time</u> <u>slots will be posted/emailed closer to picture day</u>. All dancers will pose for a professional photograph with their class/group and will also have the <u>option</u> of a solo shot. Dancers should arrive at LEAST 15 minutes BEFORE their photo time slot, with hair and make-up completed. Costumes can be picked up from the studio office on picture day **IF** final balance has been paid. Please ensure all dancers have the appropriate tights, shoes etc. in good condition with no holes or rips. Charts with tights, shoes and hair requirements for each class will be posted and emailed, so you can begin to prepare for

picture day and recital. A few weeks before picture day, photograph-order envelopes will be handed out to each dancer for EVERY one of their classes. Please fill out these envelopes with your photo order and bring them with payment to picture day.

RECITAL DVDS

Impulse will be hiring a professional videography company to tape our amazing recital shows. Experienced videographers will capture our awesome dancers on film and will create an amazing keep-sake recording. Pricing info and details will be posted ASAP.

IMPULSE WEBSITE

If you haven't yet, please visit our new and improved website at www.impulseperformancearts.com. You can see important dates/holidays, studio policies and procedures, class schedules, payment options and more! We also have Facebook, Instagram and Twitter to keep you informed of all things

"Impulse".

WEATHER CLOSURES

In the event of <u>SEVERE</u> winter weather, Impulse will close the studio for the safety of our dancers/parents/teachers. A decision to close will be made by 2:00pm and an email notice will be sent out to our general email list. Notification of a studio closure will also be on our voicemail, posted on

Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. Every attempt will be made to find an alternate date to make-up classes missed due to winter storms etc.

IMPULSE CLOTHING

If you missed our December clothing order, no worries! You can order Impulse hoodies, sweat pants, T-shirts anytime, all year round. Ask for an order form and sizing chart at the studio front desk. Payment can be made by cheque or credit card. We love seeing our dancers (and parents!) decked out in Impulse gear!

WEEKLY DRESS CODE

Just like any sport, dance requires appropriate uniforms and footwear to be safe and effective. All dancers must have their hair pulled back off their face in a bun or ponytail (<u>bun required for ballet</u> <u>classes</u>). As well, proper footwear is required for each class (jazz shoes for jazz, ballet shoes for ballet etc.) Please respect our dress code as it allows teachers to better train your dancers. If you have questions about your dancer's dress requirement, please speak to the class teacher.

> Dream big. Inspire others. Impulse.