

# MARCH NEWSLETTER



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#### Only two months left!

As we continue to prepare for our Annual Spring Recital at the Civic Center, we will be sending home multiple notes to keep you up to date. If at any time you have any questions, please feel free to message me. <a href="mailto:steppinoutdancecenter@yahoo.com">steppinoutdancecenter@yahoo.com</a>

### **SODC Studio Picture Day**

Our Annual SODC Studio Picture Day is Saturday, March 10, 2018. A detailed schedule was passed out during Costume Week with your costumes and is available online on our website and Facebook. Be a little early, but do not be late. We are not able to hold pictures to wait for a dancer. We try our best to run on time, in the past we would wait for dancers and that would push back others. We cannot do that this year. We need to keep on schedule, we appreciate your cooperation. These photos are showcased in our Keepsake Program. You must attend these photos to be in the picture in the program. Lange Photographics does a wonderful job and has a fully functioning staff to pose the dancers and keep things moving. Parents are not allowed in the room. We tried our best to schedule so the parking lot doesn't get too crazy O Feel free to be dropped off/ picked up or carpool.

# SODC Ticket Day

Our Annual SODC Ticket Day will be held on Friday, March 23, 2018. More information to follow. 10 Ticket limit per family from 6:00-8:00 pm, first come first serve from 8:00-9:00 pm. They are reserved seats. Tickets are \$13.00 each. You must be current on your account to be able to purchase tickets at this time.

# 5-10-15 Year

If you believe your dancer is a 5-10-15 year dancer, please make sure you sign their name on the sheets by the office. We will then compare this to our records and make sure an award is ordered for them and their name is in the program.

#### **Recital Helpers**

We are looking for Recital Helpers for this year's show. A sign up sheet will be posted in the studio lobby. For helping, you will receive 1 free ticket. Helpers will be able to watch from the wings backstage. They will stay with the classes in the room during the whole show and help with our pick up policy. You will be given a backstage pass to wear. Your help is greatly appreciated and will help us to keep the show running smoothly. If you do not want to or are not able to help and you know someone (possibly a family member) who would be willing, you may sign them up.

#### Mom & Dad Dances

Calling all Moms and Dads who are interested in dancing in our Annual Parent Dance! This year's will be a blast! It's a surprise and you will not be disappointed! If interested, sign up in the lobby by the office door. There are sign up sheets hung there.

# CALENDAR of EVENTS

March 10, 2018 Tuition Due

March 10, 2018 SODC Studio Pictures

March 11, 2018 Late Fee Applied

March 23, 2018 SODC Ticket Day Account must be current to purchase tickets on Ticket Day

April 10, 2018 Tuition Due

April 11, 2018 Late Fee Applied

April 25, 2018 Staging Rehearsal

April 26, 2018 Dress Rehearsal

April 28, 2018 Annual Recital & Pre-Show

#### **Recital Information**

As we near closer to our Annual Recital, you will receive a dedicated Recital Packet. For now, I will give you a brief overview of what to expect for this year.

Our Recital is held at the Veteran's Memorial Civic & Convention Center

Wednesday, April 25, 2018	Staging Rehearsal	5:00-9:00 pm	Everyone will have an assigned time slot Wear regular dance clothes, stay in the auditorium and watch during this time. You are able to leave when you are done.
Thursday, April 26, 2018	Dress Rehearsal	6:00-9:00 pm	Full Costumes, Hair & Makeup We start at 6:00 pm with the Finale (which everyone is a part of), when finished, we run the show straight through til the end. When you arrive find your assigned row and have a seat. We will have runners to take the dancers backstage. When your dancers have performed all of their numbers, you are free to go or stay and watch the rest of the show.
Saturday, April 28, 2018	Recital	3:30 pm 4:00 pm 5:00 pm	Doors Open Pre Show Begins Show begins (5-10-15 year awards recognized before show begins

Upon arrival, head up to the assigned dressing rooms. Dancers are required to be there an hour before the show in their rooms. This allows us to do a head count and lets the Room Helpers get settled with the dancers. Parents may accompany them until a half an hour before the show. At this time, our Runners will begin to line up our groups to prepare for the show. Please make sure all costume items and shoes are labeled with your dancer's initials.

This year we are implementing a new pick up policy. After the curtain closes, after the Finale (doors will be shut upstairs to the dressing room and to the backstage area) the dancers will be escorted back up to assigned dressing rooms by our Room Helpers and Staff. Give us a few minutes to get everyone set. We will open the doors and you will be able to come in and pick up your child. Make sure you check out with the Room Helpers before you leave.

Any items left behind will be put into a Lost & Found box and will be taken to the studio. There will be assigned pick up times for these items.

We will be having a videographer taping the show at this event for a wonderful keepsake. Order forms will be sent out with information in the dedicated Recital Packet.

Ads for our Keepsake Program will be available for purchase. We will be sending out order forms in February for this.

#### Here is to a great rest of the year and to a great show!