



"In The Wings"

TDS Monthly Newsletter

DECEMBER 2024



TDS STAR OF THE MONTH

Each month, all TDS dancers are eligible to receive our "Star of the Month" award, nominated by our faculty.

"Star of the Month" recipients receive:

- \$25 tuition credit **OR** \$25 gift certificate to *Village Dancewear* in Sturbridge, MA – their choice!
- A TDS Star of the Month certificate
- Dancer's photo on Facebook, website + Recital 2025 program



**CONGRATULATIONS
BELLA ROMAN**



*You are our December 2024
TDS Star of the Month!*



Our studio will be CLOSED in observance of Christmas & winter holidays:

**Sunday, December 22nd, 2024
through**

Wednesday, January 1st, 2025

Miss Kristen and the TDS Faculty & Staff would like to wish our dancers, families & friends a happy, healthy & safe holiday season!

Looking forward to **Health & Happiness** in 2025 ☺

RECITAL 2025

Our 11th Annual Recital will be held
SATURDAY, JUNE 7th, 2024
at

Tourtellotte Memorial High School,
Thompson CT

Mandatory Dress Rehearsal: Friday, June 6th

We will provide additional details as the date gets closer. We are so excited! ☺

"THANKFUL LEAVES" DRAWING

Thank you to all of our dancers and friends who completed a "thankful leaf" for our Studio 1 wall this November. We loved reading all of the beautiful, heartfelt comments & reasons why you are so thankful!

As promised, we entered all the completed leaves into a drawing for a \$25 tuition credit for December 2024.

And the winner is...

OLIVIA GUINTO
Congratulations! ☺



- **Gift Certificates** Available for Tuition, Apparel, Private Lessons, etc.
- **Stocking Stuffers Galore!** Car Decals, Stickers, Croc Jibbitz & more!
- **TDS Ballet Bucks** – Only \$5 each!
- **Tights** – **December Special: Buy 2, Get 1 Free!** [in-stock styles only]

- **Visit our Online Store!** New items will be available for order the week of December 8th!

Link available on our website + by QR code found in this newsletter (below)

*Stop by our Saturday office hours 9:30a-11:30a
to #shopsmall and beat the holiday rush!
December 7th, 14th, 21st*

You can also reserve items / orders via email:
dancers_sole@yahoo.com. We can send home with your dancer after their class in discreet packaging ☺

*"Like snowflakes, my Christmas memories gather and dance
— each beautiful, unique, and gone too soon."
~Deborah Whipp*



TDS INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICIES

- Studio closings will be announced via:
 - Email to all affected dance families
 - TDS Facebook page & TDS Instagram
 - TDS Website: www.TheDancersSole.com
 - Studio answering machine...all at least one hour prior to the first class of the day
- TDS does not follow the Webster & Dudley public school system closings & delays schedule. Please do not assume that if the schools are closed, the studio is also closed.
- We do not offer refunds or tuition discounts for cancellations due to inclement weather. Makeups are always available – email the office if you're interested in scheduling a makeup class ☺



Located in the waiting room in Studio I, our **Lost and Found** box has become quite full as of late. Stop by to claim your items ASAP! Unclaimed items will be donated to a local charity over Christmas Break.

TDS COMPANY TEAM Upcoming Important Dates

- **COIN WARS!** Monday, Dec. 9th – Saturday, Dec. 14th – Located in Studio I
- **Wednesday, Dec. 11th** – Super Bowl Squares Fundraiser Kicks Off. Paperwork will be sent home with Company Dancers this week, be sure to check their dance bags!
- **Monday, Dec. 16th** – *Diva Dance* Competition Fees Deadline
- **Wednesday Dec. 18th :: 6-8pm** – **Annual Company Team Christmas Party**, St. II
 - **Mandatory** for 24-25 Company Dancers
 - "Sole Mate" Match-Ups! ♥
 - Gift Exchange (optional, \$18-\$20 gift)
 - Pizza, Goodies + Drinks Provided
 - "Sole Mate" Crafts & Games
 - Interested in helping to provide some yummy goodies or beverages? Please email Ann: ann.surprise@yahoo.com – thanks ☺
- **Saturday, Jan. 11th :: 11:30a-12:15p** – **Company Dancer Makeup Tutorial** w/ Miss K, St. III (optional, free, all welcome!)
- **Wednesday, Jan. 29th** – *That's Entertainment* Competition Fees Deadline
- **Wednesday, March 12th** – *Work It Dance Challenge* Comp. Fees Deadline

Be sure to regularly visit the "Company Tab" of our website for always-updated information!

DRESS CODE IMPORTANCE

To FEEL like a dancer, DRESS like a dancer ☺

Please remember...

- ✧ Clean, neat ballet buns for **ALL** classes involving BALLET
- ✧ **PINK TIGHTS** for **ALL** classes involving BALLET
- ✧ TIGHTS + LEOTARDS for **ALL classes** (excluding hip-hop)
- ✧ CLEAN, INDOOR-ONLY SNEAKERS for all HIP HOP classes – please do not wear sneakers you wear outdoors, it is harmful to our floors and to dancers who have bare feet for other classes!
- ✧ No excessively baggy clothing: sweatshirts & sweatpants may be worn for warm-ups only

THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION!

MOVE WITH ME CLASSES



Move with Me is a drop-in class for our littlest movers and groovers! ☺ As part of our introductory dance and creative movement program, **Move with Me** is specifically catered to our youngest students (walking through 3 years) at The Dancer's Sole. Students will learn rhythmic movements; hand-eye coordination; counting music; stretching; and basic pre-dance techniques.

Saturdays 8:45-9:15am | Studio II with Miss Greta

Fee: \$10 per student (includes accompanying parent/guardian); 30-minute drop-in class.

Cash Only.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC | NO REGISTRATION FEES

WINE PULL FUNDRAISER

THANK YOU to everyone who supported our Company Team fundraiser! Drawings occurred on Monday, December 9th.

Congratulations to the winners!

LOT 1: Charles Baron (Sold by: Charlotte Dollar)
LOT 2: Tiana Pavlidis (Sold by: Nella Copeland)
LOT 3: Chrissy Fisher (Sold by: Shay Fournier)
LOT 4: Sam Stamatiou (Sold by: Kami Fasshauer)
LOT 5: Salynna Lauziere (Sold by: Lexani Lewis)
LOT 6: Robert Conway (Sold by: Addison Aho)
LOT 7: Hayley Smith (Sold by: Julie Warms)

Please contact Ann at ann.surprise@yahoo.com if you need to arrange a pick-up day/time.

Thank you!

TDS CREW AT CHRISTOPHER HEIGHTS

Our TDS Crew delighted the residents at Christopher House in Webster on Sunday, December 8th with their latest holiday-themed dance performances!

Our studio also hand-delivered the beautiful cards that all our TDS dancers & friends helped to create for the home's elderly residents.

Thank you to everyone who participated and made this wonderful event happen! Happy Holidays ☺

NOT FEELING WELL?

Dancers are asked to stay home from class if they are experiencing a fever, COVID-19 symptoms (cough, runny nose, sore throat), stomach flu symptoms, etc.



We kindly ask to consider having your child wear a mask to class if they are feeling well + fever-free, but might be experiencing a cough or runny nose.

We appreciate your consideration and cooperation to make the studio a safe, comfortable & healthy place for everyone ♥



During the month of January, we will be hosting a collection drive for Webster's Community Cat Connection.

We will be collecting donated, requested supplies from the shelter to help aid in their animal care. We will provide a list of what is needed on our website and in the waiting area upon return from Winter Break.

Thank you for your consideration & support ☺

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS



Milena Androlewicz
Ariana Benson
September Bowser
Gabiella Castillo
Valentina Diaz
Ava Erko
Jameson Gerber
Kyrah Gingo
Lauren Gingo
Juliette Lara
Lexani Lewis
Kalisia Roldan
Eleanor Sarosi
Briella Skladzien
and Miss K



Have a great month, everyone! ☺

LOVE WHAT WE DO?

LEAVE A
Review!

THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Do you LOVE your dance studio?! ♥
Please consider leaving us a review online on Facebook, Google, Yelp, HulaFrog, etc.

We would extremely grateful!

Do you follow us on **social media?**

Facebook: TheDancersSole

Instagram: @thedancerssole

Stay tuned to our socials for class photos, contests, dance-related articles, etc.

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A Sneaker Recycling Organization

Thank you to everyone who contributed to our Sneaker Recycling Fundraiser.

We were able to send approximately 70 pairs of shoes ☺ Whoo-hoo!