



# "In The Wings"

**TDS Monthly Newsletter** 



# **NOVEMBER 2025**

# 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 WOW Dancewear in Auburn, MA – their choice!
- A TDS Star of the Month certificate
- Dancer's photo on Facebook, website, studio bulletin board + Recital 2026 program







You are our November 2025 TDS Star of the Month!

## DRESS CODE REMINDER



All dancers should now be equipped with the appropriate dance shoes and attire for their class(es). Please be sure that your child is coming to class prepared and presentable.

- ightarrow Pink tights & a clean, neat bun should <u>always</u> be worn for <u>any</u> class that features Ballet!
- → Beginner/Intermediate dancers **tights** and a **leotard** are required for <u>every class</u> (except hiphop). Leggings and a t-shirt without the above items are not permitted.
- → Some classes require TWO pairs of dance shoes. Please be sure your child has BOTH required pairs.

If you are uncertain of your child's dress code requirements, please contact us. Thanks!

## THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY BREAK

The Dancer's Sole will be **CLOSED** in observance of Thanksgiving:

Wednesday, November 26<sup>th</sup> through Sunday, November 30<sup>th</sup>



Wishing all of our dancers, their families & friends a safe, healthy holiday!



Recital 2025-26 Costume Balances are due with November tuition no later than SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15th, 2025

If you are uncertain of your balance, you can log-in to your Parent Portal to view your current balance(s) or email the office. Our office will be open from 9:30a-11:30a on Saturday 11/15 for payments and questions. Thank you!



Veterans Day Weekend: Saturday 11/8 & Tuesday 11/11

The studio will be **OPEN** for all regular classes on Saturday 11/8 & Tuesday 11/11. TDS would like to extend our sincere gratitude and honor to all Veterans, past and present – thank you for your service.

# 2025 HALLOWEEN COSTUME CONTEST WINNERS

We had a BLAST seeing everyone's amazing costumes during Halloween week at the studio © We were so impressed by the number of students who participated and showed their creativity and spooky spirit!

#### A special congratulations to this year's winners:

Most Creative: Claudia Tetreault as "Demogorgon"
Funniest: Francesca Zicaro as "Hot Dog"
Cutest: Aspen Regis "Cindy Lou Who"
Scariest: Lillian Paradis as "Bloody Scissor Head"
Best All-Around: Rosie Warms as "Fruit Hat Girl"











As usual, it was SO difficult to choose the winners this year – we had nearly 100% participation across the studio! Winners will receive their prizes from teachers over the next 1-2 weeks. Congratulations!

Thank you to everyone for a fun week ©

## **GUEST OBSERVATION WEEK #1**

STUDIO I + II CLASSES: Monday, Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup> – Saturday, Nov. 8<sup>th</sup> MISS MADDY'S CLASSES + STUDIO III CLASSES: Monday, Nov. 10<sup>th</sup> – Thursday, Nov. 13<sup>th</sup>

We are breaking up the weeks this season to accommodate for parking. Please plan accordingly. We cannot make accommodations to switch weeks for some families and not others. We also encourage carpooling when possible. Additional week(s) will be available for observation later in the season if you are unable to this session.

All dancers are welcome to invite <u>no more than</u>
TWO Adult Guests to observe their dance (classes).
Siblings will <u>not</u> be allowed to attend as observers due to limited space AND as potential distractions for the participating dancers / teachers.

Please remove street shoes & silence cell phones upon entering the dance spaces. TDS Instructors will review photo/video policies at the start of each session.

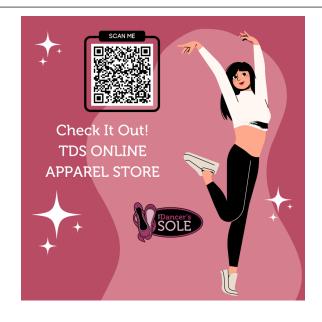
### NOT FEELING WELL?

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 persistent cough, etc.

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





# FILL OUR STUDIO WALL WITH GRATITUDE!

Visit Studio I hallway to participate. Open to dancers AND their parents/families!

Grab a leaf and a marker.

Write what you're grateful for this Thanksgiving. Don't forget to write your name!

Drop your leaf in the envelope on the wall & we'll hang it up ©

We're THANKFUL for YOU! All leaves will be entered into a drawing over Thanksgiving weekend for a \$25 tuition credit for December!

\*One entry per dance family/account that participates.

Begins Monday 11/3/25.



# **TDS Dancewear Swap Meet**

Friday, November 21st, 2025 5-7pm | Studio III

Open to ALL TDS Dancers and their families ©

### **HOW IT WORKS:**

- Drop off your gently used, clean dance attire, dance shoes, and/or TDS dancewear (sweatshirts, tees, etc.) to the office anytime between Friday, November 7<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, November 20<sup>th</sup>. <u>IMPORTANT</u>: Please drop off items in a bag(s) or box(es) labeled with your child's full name.
- 2. Visit us in Studio 3 on Friday, November 21<sup>st</sup> between 5-7pm and stock up on "new-to-you" dance gear!

Questions? Please email Ann: ann.surprise@yahoo.com

# TDS Recitals 2025

Our 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Recitals will be held SATURDAY, JUNE 6<sup>th</sup>, 2026

at Tourtellotte Memorial High School in Thompson, CT

\*Dress Rehearsal: Friday, June 5th, 2026 at the high school

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



# Christmas Cards for the Elderly

Our TDS Crew will be performing at Christopher Heights (CH) in Webster on Saturday, December 20<sup>th</sup> at 2pm.

We would ♥ to send some homemade Christmas + holiday cards with our TDS Crew for the CH staff to distribute to their residents for the holidays!

We invite <u>all</u> our dancers (and their families/siblings) to visit us at the studio for:

CARD-MAKING DAYS Saturdays 11/22, 12/6 & 12/13

We'll provide the card supplies... you provide the creativity!



# "THE NUTCRACKER" Cast Roles for TDS Dancers

Congratulations to TDS Petite Company Members
Nella Copeland and Josephine Porter
for being cast in The Hanover Theatre's Annual
Production of "The Nutcracker" in Worcester MA.
Performances are Friday, November 28th through Sunday,
November 30th. Tickets are available at
www.TheHanoverTheatre.org.

#### **Recital Costume Measurements**

Miss Ann & Miss K will be measuring all recreational students this month during their classes.

Dancers will be measured at chest, waist, hips + girth. Hip hop class participants will have their shoes checked for current sizing. For our younger students, we will size up slightly to ensure room for growth before June's show.

We've heard a few families/dancers ask...

# Where Can I Find Studio Information?

such as payment due dates, studio closings, upcoming events & more?

With today's on-the-go hectic lifestyle, we understand that it can be difficult to keep track of your child's or children's busy schedules. We utilize many tools to keep our lines of communication open with our dancers & their families. Connect with us & learn more:

- TDS WEBSITE: www.TheDancersSole.com
  - o Updated monthly with important dates & events; Company information; & much more
- JACKRABBIT PARENT PORTAL: Log-in from our website, or any TDS email received
  - o View all emails sent to our families, check your balances, message the studio, etc.
- TDS FACEBOOK PAGE: www.facebook.com/TheDancersSole
  - Updated at least a few times per week, this is a great place for last-minute announcements, including inclement weather cancellations/delays
- TDS INSTAGRAM: Find us on your Instagram app @TheDancersSole
  - o A fun, yet informative way for us to share class photos as well as important "save the dates," dance education videos, etc.
- TDS TIKTOK: aTheDancersSole
  - o Funny and fun videos of all our students & teachers!
- "In The Wings" MONTHLY NEWSLETTER: Several ways to access!
  - o Emailed to all dance parents/guardians during the first week of each month
  - o Downloadable from our website each month: www.TheDancersSole.com
  - o Posted to our bulletin boards in both studios the first week of each month
- In-House BULLETIN BOARDS: Studios I & II
  - We strongly encourage both dancers & parents/guardians to check out our studio bulletin boards monthly. Learn about upcoming local events in our community, read our monthly newsletter or check out our "Star of the Month" photo

Are you receiving our monthly newsletters & other informative emails each month?

If not, stop by the office to ensure we have your most up-to-date information on file.

Please visit and "like" us on social media – Spread the word, Share with your friends!



TDS will be **CLOSED** in observance of Winter/Holiday Break:

Monday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2025 through Sunday, January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2026

Classes resume Monday, January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2026

# **NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS**



Jessilisse Burgos Emilia Dziobak Jocelyn Evans Mia Kopiczko Yutso Lama Savannah Lepage Olivia Macek Lucy Myotte Gianna Manzaro Isabella Nalepa Penelope Presa Aniela Slanda Coraline Swift

# **TDS COMPANY TEAM FAMILY NEWS**

- Collect Wine for Wine Pull Fundraiser (1 bottle per Company Team <u>Family</u>) – Monday 11/3 through Thursday 11/13 \*mandatory\*
- SELL Wine Pull Fundraiser Tickets Monday 11/17 through Saturday 12/6
- Annual Company Team Christmas Party!
   Wednesday 12/17, 6-8pm in Studio II. Mandatory
   Team Event. Gift swap, Sole Sister activities, games, craft and more! Company Team Dancers only.
- Diamond Dance Competition Fees Due (optional for all solos/duos/trios only – no groups) – Monday 11/3
- Titans of Dance Convention Fees Due (optional extra event) – Monday 12/1 (\$195 per dancer, \$20 per observer)
- Company Makeup Tutorial Saturday 1/10/26, 11:30a-12:15p, Studio III...FREE + Open to all Company Dancers and a parent/guardian! Bring your Company makeup colors (see Company tab of our website), false eyelashes & glue, makeup brushes, & makeup removing wipes.