



"In The Wings"

TDS Monthly Newsletter

MAY / JUNE / RECITAL 2025



Hello TDS Families!

We are just 5 short weeks from our 12th Annual Recital performance
"TDS Presents: LIGHT UP THE NIGHT"
at Tourtellotte Memorial High School on Saturday, June 7th!

This newsletter contains a great deal of important information
regarding everything Recital-related.

Please read this newsletter carefully and entirely!

★ **RECITAL WEBSITE** – This webpage (and this newsletter!) is the **HOLY GRAIL** of information for your child's special Recital Day ☺ Information such as arrival times, hair/makeup assignments, dress rehearsal information, etc. is linked on this webpage. In addition, all Recital-related information is also posted in the waiting room of Studio I and on the wall at the top of the stairs in Studio II.

★ **TIGHTS** - Recital tights will be distributed in early-mid May during classes. Extra/additional pairs are available for purchase (\$10-\$12 each). You can email the office or stop by on Saturdays between 9:30a-11:30a OR during Recital Ticket Sales days/times to purchase [please note: the office is closed on Saturday 5/17 and Saturday 5/24]. We will also have additional tights for sale at the merchandise table on Recital Day. If your child does not receive tights for a class, it's because their costume does not require them.

★ **HAIR/MAKEUP** – Assigned hair and makeup for each group/class is located on our website and on the Recital Walls for female dancers.

- If your dancer is in multiple routines and will need hair changes during the Recital, our backstage volunteers will be able to help your child change and get ready for their multiple routines. Please send them PREPARED to Recital - Hair pins/bobby pins, hair elastics, hairspray, hair net, etc. We encourage labeling ALL your child's items, especially costumes, Recital t-shirt tags and shoes.

★ **RECITAL TICKETS -**

- \$20 each – **Cash Only** beginning Tuesday, June 3^d, 2025!
- \$16 for active military & veterans. (ID proof required, Limit 4 per family). We appreciate your service to our country! "Lap children" (ages 3 and under) admitted free of charge. General admission. Doors open 30 minutes prior to each show time.

★ **RECITAL TICKET SALES DAYS / TIMES** – Recital tickets are **CASH OR CHECK ONLY**. After May 19th, all ticket sales are cash only. Tickets can be purchased during the following days/times:

- Saturday, May 3rd | 1p-4p (during Picture Day, Studio II)
- Friday, May 9th | 4p-7p (during Picture Day, Studio II)
- Saturday, May 10th | 9:30a-11:30a (in the office)
- Thursday, May 15th | 5p-7p (in the office)
- Monday, May 19th | 4:30p-6:30p (in the office)
- Tuesday, June 3rd | 4:30p-6:30p (in the office) ***CASH ONLY***
- Thursday, June 5th | 3:30p-5:30p (in the office) ***CASH ONLY***
- Friday, June 6th | at dress rehearsal (at Tourtellotte High School) ***CASH ONLY***
- ...at the door on the day of the show, pending availability ***CASH ONLY***

★ **TDS "MINIS" LAST WEEK OF CLASSES – Guest Observation, Trophies, etc.**

- Parents/Guests are welcome to attend the last 30 minutes of the following "TDS Minis" classes, Saturday May 31st through Thursday June 5th:
 - ALL Pre-Dance classes
 - ALL Rising Stars classes
 - ALL Move 'N Groove Hip Hop classes
 - Tiny Tumblers: Intro to Acro-Dance
- We will be presenting a trophy to each class participant, taking class photos, running their routine, and giving each dancer a special treat.
- We kindly ask guests to remove their street shoes and silence their cell phones prior to entering the studio spaces. Thank you for your cooperation.
- Photos are welcome – however, we do have some young students that do NOT have photo permissions granted; the teachers will inform our guests of who these students are for group photo purposes.

★ **DRESS REHEARSAL – Friday June 6th at Tourtellotte Memorial High School, Thompson CT**

- This is a **MANDATORY** rehearsal for ALL TDS Dancers; dancers who cannot participate in this rehearsal will be unable to perform in our Recital.
- Any unpaid balances will be due upon check-in at Dress Rehearsal. Dancers who have unpaid balances will NOT be allowed to participate in Dress Rehearsal OR Recital until these balances are paid in full (cash or certified check only – no exceptions). Year-end statements with any unpaid balances will be sent the week prior to Recital.
- Dancers should wear hair up and off face, their Recital t-shirts (distributed at check-in at Dress Rehearsal) & black dance bottoms in any style. Don't forget appropriate dance shoes! **DO NOT WEAR YOUR COSTUMES!**
- Upon arrival between 3:45-4:15pm, dancers should check-in and pick up their Recital t-shirt. All dancers will be asked to sit in the auditorium until rehearsal begins.
 - If you purchased additional t-shirt(s), they will also be available for pick-up at dress rehearsal.
- A line-up/schedule are available on our bulletin boards and on our Recital website.
- Dress Rehearsal is CLOSED to parents, siblings, friends, family members, etc. aside from the informational meeting at the beginning of the rehearsal. *ONE parent/guardian from each of our TDS Minis classes is welcome to stay in the auditorium until their child(ren) are finished.*
- Parents/Guardians should plan to pick up their child after their last assigned routine time on our schedule, from the lobby. All dancers will be required to be checked out with a member of our staff prior to leaving the school – we will NOT send a child out to a parked vehicle! This is for the safety of your child(ren) – please come inside the school to pick up.

★ **12th Annual TDS Recitals - Saturday June 7th at Tourtellotte Memorial High School, 11am + 4pm**

- Visit our waiting room, Studio II walls or the Recital tab of our website for a listing of routines by show. Please note this is NOT the order of the routines in the shows. The order will be posted at Dress Rehearsal,
- *Our show line-ups are final - we cannot move routines from show to show.* We offer family ticket discount bundles for those with children in more than 1 show (Company + Crew families excluded). This year, there are less than 10 families that apply for this discount.
- **For the SAFETY of our dancers** – Parents/Guests are NOT permitted backstage at any point before, during or after the show(s). TDS has assigned experienced volunteers + staff to maintain the backstage areas and dressing rooms throughout Recital Day. Our volunteers will assist your dancer with hair/makeup changes! Pre-Dance children will be dismissed to their parents/guardians in the audience upon completion of their routines within the first 30 minutes of the shows. This policy is strictly enforced for the safety of your children!

★ **STUDIO CLOSED – Memorial Day Weekend (5/24-5/26) and OFFICE ONLY is closed Saturday 5/17.**

Recital "Extras"

- ★ **Recital Flowers + Candy Bouquets** – Save a trip to the store & pick up your dancers' flowers / candy bouquets on the day of Recital. We will be offering a variety of small & medium bouquets and handmade candy treats (bouquets, boxes, etc.) in various colors. First come, first serve...\$10-\$40 per bouquet depending on size – CASH ONLY.
- ★ **Recital DVDs** – Our professional videographers will capture the memories from your dancer's big day! Order forms available in the office/waiting room and our website for pre-orders, or in the lobby on Recital Day. A friendly reminder that photography and video recording is NOT permitted during the shows on Recital Day. ****If you are found taking photos or videos during the performances, you will be escorted out of the auditorium – no exceptions. This is for the SAFETY and COMFORT of our dancers, families and staff. Thank you.**
- ★ **"Good Luck Ducks"** – "Float" a personalized message to your dancer backstage before the show! Just \$3 per duck with a touch of TDS flair. Available in the office during ticket sales (cash only). **Last Day to purchase ducks will be Monday, May 19th – please plan ahead!** We cannot sell additional ducks after this day.



Registration Opens Friday 5/10!
www.TheDancersSole.com

- Theme Camps (Ages 3.5-6)
- Mini Dance Sessions (Ages 3 & Up)
- Acro-Athletes: Acro-Dance Mini Intensives
- Theatre Kids: Sing, Dance, Act Theatre Camp

...and more!

Space Is Limited – Don't Delay ☺

RECITAL DONATIONS

We have had a handful of families ask about donations for Recital raffles, concessions, etc. We would be most grateful if anyone would be interested in donating or contributing towards any of the following items:

- Cases of bottled water + soda
- Individually wrapped baked goods, must be *nut-free*
- Chip/Cracker Snack Bags
- Monetary donations are also always greatly appreciated

If you are interested in donating any of the above items, please sign-up on the sheet on the Studio I waiting room Recital Wall.

This will allow us to keep track and not have too many of the same needed items.

Thank you in advance for your generosity & support! ♥

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

- **Saturday, May 17th**
Office CLOSED | OPEN for all classes
- **Monday, May 19th, 4:30-6:30p**
Last ticket day to purchase Good Luck Ducks
- **Saturday, May 24th - Monday, May 26th**
Memorial Day Weekend – NO CLASSES
- **Friday, June 6th**
Dress Rehearsal, check-in beginning w/ 3:45p check-in at Tourtellotte Memorial High School, Thompson CT (schedule avail. on Recital webpage)
- **Saturday, June 7th**
12th Annual TDS Recitals!
- **Saturday, June 14th**
Company Team Evaluations (at the studio)

★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, studio bulletin board + Recital 2025 program



CONGRATULATIONS
YUTSO LAMA
You are our May 2025
TDS Star of the Month!





Sign-Ups for Company Team Evaluations will be opening soon!
Please visit the Company tab of our website
to enroll and save your spot within the next few weeks.

Dancers will be evaluated on several aspects including but not limited to: technique; ability to pick up choreography; attention to detail; evaluation etiquette and respect; and more. Our hired panel of dance professionals will be evaluating all participating dancers and placing them on our Company Teams for the upcoming 25-26 dance season. We wish everyone the best of luck – shine bright and have fun! ☺

LOST & FOUND BOX

Please check our Lost & Found Box
(Studio I waiting room) for any personal belongings
left behind. It is overflowing with clothing, shoes &
more!

Any unclaimed items will be donated to
charity after Recital.

2025-2026 SCHEDULE + REGISTRATION

Stay tuned to our website, social media outlets and
your emails for updated information regarding
registration this summer for our new season! ☺

In-house and online registration will be available
beginning in July 2025.

We can't WAIT for Season 13!

TDS CREW BANQUET PERFORMANCE



Our TDS Crew will be holding a banquet & performance at
Sinni's Pub on Saturday, May 10th from 4-6pm!
Pre-Sale Tickets: \$5 each / \$8 at the door (cash only)
Cash Bar Available – Complimentary Snacks
Open to all! Contact the studio office for tickets.



May Tuition is due on or before
Thursday, May 15th

Our office will be open 5:00p-7:00p on
Thursday, May 15th for anyone wishing to make
a cash or credit payment, or to answer any
questions you may have. Recital tickets and
Good Luck Ducks will also be available for
purchase during this time.

Stop by or give us a call: 508.949.1508

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, TDS DANCERS!

MAY

Mary Carmignani
Nella Copeland
Charlotte Daoust
Paulina Deptula
Ava Donovan
Raegan Duquette
Samantha Eldred
Nadia Gawrych
Brooke Goodell
Autumn Griffin
Joey Kelly
Emery Presa
Reese Rim
Bella Roman
Isabella Valenti
Miss Greta

JUNE

Angelina Ayad
Hannah Butts
Lana Denson
Shay Fournier
Corwin Frappier
Shaydalis Freeman
Vera Gauvin
Hayley Giroux
Alyssa Grammer
Sabrina Morin
Kelsey Otieno
Olivia Panczyk
Kaylee Podles
Gabriela Prusinski
Everly Trindall
Miss Maddy

TDS APPAREL STORE – NOW OPEN

PJ Pants, T-Shirts, Sweatshirts, Hoodies, ¼ Zips,
Sports Pants, Shorts and MORE
NOW AVAILABLE in our online store!
Order anytime, delivers to the studio in 2-3
weeks!

[https://www.kerringraphics.com/customer_portal/
document_library.html](https://www.kerringraphics.com/customer_portal/document_library.html)

Order TODAY to get your dancer
an extra special Recital gift!