

November VanDance News Updates for Festival/Exam Classes:

All regular class fees are due immediately! There are many students with outstanding regular class fees. Please make arrangements with Lesley immediately. She is in the office on Friday between 9:30 and 4:00.

Festival solo/duo private lesson deposits are now overdue. Be sure a \$75.00 deposit per time slot has been paid immediately.

No outside footwear in the studio please. Floors were all refinished over the summer. All students and parents remove footwear and use the boot rack provided at the front door.

Costume Exchange for Solo and Duo Costumes Friday Nov. 18 Evening: There have been lots of people requesting that another solo/duo costume exchange be held before the costume orders are due on Nov. 25. This is a much better idea than purchasing costumes new. I recommend it to all students. The only day that may work for this would be Friday Nov 18 between 4 and 7 in the studio foyer. There will not be secretarial supervision during this time so I ask everyone to do the following:

1. bring in your costumes you wish to rent or sell by between 3:00 and 4:00 on the 18th...not the day before please. Racks will be provided.
2. have all costumes clearly marked with your full name, size of costume, phone number(s), what you wish to do rent or sell, price for sale or rental.
3. be sure all costumes are picked up right at 7:00.

Company performs this evening in Taber...studio will need to get locked up at 7 and teachers will need to leave on time.

Costume Order Books for Solos and Duos Friday Nov. 25 Only: The costume order books for solos and duos have all arrived. Costume orders will be taken 1 day only! FRIDAY NOVEMBER 25 between 9:30 and 4:00.

Please be organized...have the name of the book, costume name, color, size(according to how that specific book orders) all written out for Lesley. Costumes can not be paid for on visa, mc or debit. Cash or cheque only. No late orders will be accepted. These costume orders need to be sent immediately to ensure costume delivery!

Ballet Exams: Practice is Essential!

Fall Ballet Exam: Nov. 23 in Taber. Taber Grade 1 and Lethbridge Grade 8 Proper Exam Times:

10:30: Angelle, Chiaki, Jordyn, 11:00: Chayla, Leyenna, 11:20: Alexa, Lynn, Katrina, 12:55: Ashtynne, Kyla, Sydney All students should arrive 45 minutes to an hour ahead of scheduled time.

Winter Ballet Exams: Have been scheduled for Feb. 1-3 in Lethbridge. The studio needs to know immediately if you are unavailable on any of these days for scheduling. Letter of intent as well as exam eligibility and exam fees will go home Monday Nov. 7. Exam fees for Feb. session will be due on Friday Nov. 18 between 9:30 and 4:00.

Tap Exams: It is very important that all tap students have their practice cd's immediately. We

will be working on choreography for the first few weeks in November so it is important that practice on the work is done at home during this time. Reminder! Tap exam fees are due on Friday November 18 between 9:30 and 4:00 paid by cash or cheque.

All tap students should have brought home the Tap Exam information letter.

New York Workshop Trip: January 21 and 22 Tremain Workshop

We are planning to leave for New York on Thursday January 19 and return on Monday January 23.

This is a superb workshop, similar to Triple Threat but the American version. We will be staying at the Grand Hyatt in Manhattan where the workshop is being held.

We will also be taking in at least 3 shows and have a bit of time for shopping and sight seeing on Friday.

There is a sign up sheet posted with the workshop information so I can get rooms booked in the next 2 weeks. If you would like to send your child without a parent, that is fine however I ask that they be at least 14 or older. More info on the workshop can be seen at Tremain.com. Registration Deadline is Dec 22 so we would like our registrations in on Fri Dec. 9 between 9:30 and 4:00.

Right now flights are sitting at about \$345 per way with air canada and west jet.

Festival Classes: If you are getting this email, chances are is that your child is in a class or classes that will be involved in dance competition/festival this season. The younger students up to B level will be doing Dance Power Lethbridge(April 10 -15 over Easter break!) and Festival of Friends Medicine Hat (April 20-22) and level C and up will be doing those as well as Moose Jaw festival of dance (May 2-6). Be sure to book your hotels for these festivals now. Hotels are filling up! You can always cancel your bookings or shorten them at a later date once the festival schedules have been confirmed.

Warning(lol): Festival entry fees will be due right after Christmas on Friday January 13 between 9:30 and 4:00 for all festivals.

Please remember that we have decided to repeat I Am and Marching On in Moose Jaw Festival. I ask that all of you please watch the dvd and practice a few times. We will be calling several rehearsals for these numbers in Spring.

Company:

Company Performance Nov. 18 in Taber meeting at the studio at 8:30 ready to go! We will do a run through and then head to the stage s a group.

We will be performing the opening number Celebration, Gagging Order, Control, 5 Guys, Can Can. We would also like to invite our Taber Tap 2 to do there Christmas dance this evening as well as Kermit and Miss Piggy(aka Taia and Tegan!)

Company November Schedule:

Friday Nov. 4(Week 2).....1:00-Tap Small (15-17), 1:30-Jazz Small(15-17) I Like That,2:00 Hot Dog Sm Tap (13-14) 2:30-Opening #, Can Can, 3:15-Ballet Small(15-17)

Friday Nov. 11(It's a go ahead, not many missing! Going earlier to clear the day!(Week 3)....9:30-Tap Small (15-17), 10:15-Jazz Small(15-17), 11:00-Tap Small(13-14)Hot Dog and

Small Contemp Dream On 11:45-Opening #, Can Can run through. 12:15 is Ballet Small(15-17) and Ballet Small (13-14) and Jazz Small(11-12)Candyman(**Individual teachers will most likely move their solo times earlier this day! Check the schedule!**)

Friday Nov. 18(Week 1)1:00-Run Company #'s for performance tonight Celebration, Control, 5 Guys, Can Can. 1:45 Ice Cream and I Like That, 2:30-Gagging Order, 3:15 Sounds of Silence and Ballet Small(15-17)

Performance Info: Please be at Taber studio ready at 8:30. Everyone will need to provide black jazz pants, black tights and blk shoes for all dances. We will sort out tops when we get to the studio. We will do a show run through and then head to the stage. (Celebration, Gagging Order, Control, 5 Guys, Can Can). There will also be a few of the younger Taber students performing.

Friday Nov. 25(Week 2)...1-3:00 is Entire Company Contemp Lrg, 3:00-3:15 Company # run 3:15 is Ballet Small(15-17) **Nothing Else Today!**