

April 2018 Newsletter

We hope everyone had a fun and relaxing Spring Break. Dance Classes will resume the week of April 9th. We are heading into our busy time of the year, our recital season. We have our recital picture days on Tuesday April 17th and Wednesday April 18th according to the schedule below. We have our online recital ticket sales beginning on Saturday, April 28th. And our competition dance teams have their first competition the end of the month. Please read this email carefully as it contains important information regarding our recital activities. We realize that for our first-time dance parents, this is all new to you. Please feel free to talk to our studio secretaries if you have any questions, they will be happy to help you. We work very hard to keep our recital events organized and to keep everyone informed. Here's to a great dance recital season!

April and May Tuition: April tuition is due by 15th. May tuition is half the regular monthly fee, and is due by May 10th.

Photo Days at Jan's Dance Connection - Tuesday, April 17th and Wednesday, April 18th

Students were given a pink recital photo schedule before spring break along with photo package prices and a white picture order form. If your child didn't receive one or they were absent that week, you can pick one up at the dance studio this week. Here is the information that was on that note.

All classes will have their recital pictures taken on Tuesday or Wednesday, April 17th & 18th. **Tuesday and all Monday non-competition classes will have their pictures taken on Tuesday April 17th. Wednesday, Thursday and all competitive students will have their pictures taken on Wednesday April 18th (see schedule below).** Tuesday and Wednesday students will only have their recital photos taken during picture week, no regular classes that week for those students. Monday and Thursday students will have their regular classes that week, as our competition teams will be competing that weekend.

Students must arrive at the dance studio dressed in their costume, hair fixed and make-up on. Please have your child's hair fixed appropriately for recital photos, it doesn't have to be in a bun but fixed nice. If a child's hair is down, they will have to pull it back for the group photo. Ballet classes wear pink ballet shoes, tap classes wear tan tap shoes, hip hop & jazz classes wear black jazz shoes. Competition Jazz groups wear their tan jazz shoes. Ballet classes will wear pink tights. Tap, jazz, and hip hop and Kids Combo classes will wear tan tights. Tights are available for sale at the dance studio.

Please arrive at least 15 minutes prior to your group photo time, so you are ready for your class picture. Please park in the back of the studio and enter through the back-waiting room, where picture sales staff will be located. We will be taking both group and individual pictures during your child's scheduled class time photo. You may also purchase individual photo packages. You will need to place your order for your individual photo package with the photo salespersons on picture day. Checks for photo package payments are to be made out to "**Northern Lights Photography**". This may take a little time, so arriving 15 minutes before your photo time should help keep schedules running on time. You do not have to purchase photos, but please come for the group picture. Group picture will appear in the recital book.

We will be taking both group and individual pictures at the times listed below. We will also be taking group and individual photos for the recital book. **All groups will have their photo printed in the program book, at a cost of \$5.00 per class subject taken per child.** Kids Combo 1 will have 2 group photos, Kids Combo 3 will have 3 group photos. Each child will receive one complimentary program book at the recital for each paid group photo, not to exceed 3 books. Please remember to bring your \$5.00 for each group picture on photo day, payable to Jan's Dance Connection. You may also place an individual or small group photo (families or friends) in the program book if you'd like. The cost is \$65 for a quarter page ad, and \$110 for a half page ad. You may have a business or family member

sponsor the ad, by putting in a business card or personal message. We will have last year's recital book available if you would like to see some examples. If you have any questions just ask a studio staff member.

Tuesday – April 17th (Tues & Monday Competition)

Wednesday – April 18th: (Wed & Thurs

<u>Photo Time:</u>	<u>Regular Class:</u>	<u>Photo Time:</u>	<u>Regular</u>
		4:30 – 4:45	Inter/Adv Tumbling Wed&Thurs
		4:45 – 5:00	Mini Tap Line – Mon
4:45 – 5:00	Creative Dance 2 Tues	5:00 - 5:15	Kids Combo 1 Ballet Wed
5:00 – 5:15	Inter Ballet Tues	5:00 – 5:15	Thurs Beg Tumbling
5:15 – 5:30	Kids Combo 1 Ballet Tues	5:15 – 5:30	Inter Hip Hop Wednesday
5:30 – 5:45	Jazz 2 Tues	5:30 – 5:45	Mini Jazz Line – Mon
5:45 - 6:00	Kids Combo 1 Tap Tues	5:45– 6:00	Kids Combo 1 Tap Wed
6:00 – 6:15	Tap 3 Tues	6:00 – 6:15	Inter Ballet Wed
6:15- 6:30	Kids Combo 2 Jazz Tues	6:15 – 6:30	Creative Dance 1 Wed
		6:30 – 6:50	Production
6:30- 6:45	Creative Dance 1 Monday	6:50 –7:05	Beg Inter Tap Wed
6:45 – 7:00	Kids Combo 2 -Ballet Tues	7:00 – 7:15	Petite Ballet Monday
7:00 - 7:15	Inter Hip Hop Tues	7:15 – 7:45	Jr/Preteen Lyrical Thursday
7:15 - 7:30	Kids Combo 2 Tap Tues	7:45 - 8:00	Preteen Hip Hop Wed
7:30 – 7:45	Preteen Hip Hop Tues	7:45 – 8:00	Petite Tap Monday
7:45 - 8:00	Teen Jazz Tues	8:00 - 8:15	Teen Jazz Monday
8:00 – 8:15	Teen Hip Hop Tues	8:00 – 8:15	Junior Jazz Thursday
8:15 - 8:30	Preteen/Teen Tap – Tues	8:15 – 8:30	Petite Jazz Monday
		8:30 – 8:45	Junior Tap Thursday
		8:30 – 8:45	Teen Lyrical Mon

** Group Solo & Duet Pictures taken on Thurs.	8:45 – 9:00	Preteen Jazz – Mon
at 8:20 p.m. No individual solo pictures	8:45 – 9:00	Sr. Tap Monday
at this time.	9:00 – 9:15	Teen Tap Monday
** Solos and Duets must take pictures	9:15 – 9:30	Sr. Point Monday
on Wednesday between the hours of	9:15 – 9:30	Senior Lyrical – Monday
4:30 – 6:15 p.m.	9:30 – 9:45	Senior Jazz - Thursday

Recital Information:

Our rehearsals and recitals will be at Columbia Central High School, located at [11775 Hewitt Road](#) in Brooklyn. All students will participate in the recital. It's a great event, which showcases how much all the students have learned. We will have our Dress Rehearsal on Friday, May 11th and all recital shows will be on Saturday, May 19th. All students will only perform in one recital show, with the exception of our competition teams and a few classes with family conflicts. We will have 3 shows on that date with recital times are set for noon, 3p.m., 6:30 p.m. Dress rehearsal times will be listed on the recital line ups, which will be posted in the upstairs waiting rooms by April 23th. Students will only need to be at dress rehearsal during their group's rehearsal time slot. If you have a conflict on the date of dress rehearsal, please write a note and give it to the studio secretary by April 15th. It is important that all dancers attend the dress rehearsal, as they will be working on spacing on the larger stage. Students need to wear their dance costumes, correct color tights, shoes, hair in a bun and stage make up on. Dress rehearsal is also a great time to take pictures of your dancer on stage. No photography is allowed recital day. More information regarding dress rehearsal and recitals will be in the next newsletter.

Listed below are our 3 Recital Shows and which class days perform at each recital. Younger students perform earlier in the recital line ups for each show. Recital line ups will be posted at the studio in the upstairs waiting room by April 20th.

Recital Show A at Noon: For students who dance on Monday plus Tuesday Teen Jazz along with all competition classes.

Recital Show B at 3 p.m.: For students who dance on Tuesday including Tuesday Kids Combo 2 classes, Tuesday Teen Jazz along with all competition teams

Recital Show C at 6:30 p.m.: For students who dance on Wednesday & Thursday tumbling classes & Tuesday Kids Comb 2 Classes along with all competition teams.

On-Line Recital Ticketing Starting Saturday, April 28th at noon:

We are again using an online recital ticket ordering company this year. All recital tickets will be purchased on line through Dance Recital Ticketing Company. Ticket sales started Saturday April 28th at noon. You can go online at www.recitalticketing.com/23393 and purchase your tickets directly on line. Tickets can then be printed at home. Ticket prices are \$10.00 and there will be a \$1.35 service charge per ticket to handle processing and credit card fee. This will make it more convenient for parents to purchase tickets on line without having to come into the studio and stand in lines to purchase tickets. We do have reserved seating for our recitals, so make sure you know how many family and friends will be attending the recital, so you can purchase all your tickets together. Family and friends can also purchase their own tickets directly from the same website www.recitalticketing.com/23393. Purchase your tickets early to get your desired number of seats. Online ticket sales will end on May 17th at midnight. Tickets will also be available the day of the recital if shows don't sell out for the cost of \$15.00. So, save money and order your tickets on line. You can also go directly to our website www.jansdanceconnection.com and scroll down and click on Purchase Recital Tickets.

Please review show schedules so you are purchasing the correct show for your child's performance. Each student performs in one recital show with the exception of competition students and a few classes due to family conflicts who perform in more than one show. Parents can purchase tickets to watch one show and then volunteer to help out for the second show. We need lots of volunteers to make our recital a success, so please sign-up to volunteer. Volunteer sign up sheets will be posted in the upstairs waiting room the beginning of May. You can help out in the lobby, or backstage, or in the dressing rooms with the students.

Spotlight on the Studio:

As a member of the Brooklyn Kiwanis Club, our studio was proud to support the Brooklyn Kiwanis Community Easter Egg Hunt. Senior dancer and Distinguished Young Woman of Lenawee County, Michaela Gahn, was on hand to help guide the Easter Bunny and pass out Easter treats. We hope everyone had a wonderful Easter.

Again if you have any questions, please feel free to ask our studio staff who will be happy to assist you. There is a lot going on this month as we prepare for our wonderful end of the season recital showcase. This year's theme is Growing Up Dancing in honor of our graduating senior dancers.

The Competition Dance Team at Jan's Dance Connection is Having a Flower Sale for the Recital

Flowers should be preordered on the form below. This will make it very simple for you to have a beautiful bouquet for your dancer with no hassle!

****THERE IS NO COLOR CHOICE**** we do not know how many of each color we will have until we receive them.

Your bouquet will be mixed colors!!!!!! Thank you in Advance for supporting the dance team!!!

ALL PRE-orders must be turned in by: FRIDAY May 4th (Shirts and Flowers)

FILL THE FORM OUT COMPLETELY TO avoid mistakes on your dancer's order

STUDENT NAME: _____

Parent's Phone: (in case we have ?) _____

SHOW you will pick up the flowers: SHOW 1-----SHOW 2-----SHOW 3----- Flowers are picked up after the show in the cafeteria

MESSAGE TO DANCER: TO: _____

FROM: _____

SHORT MESSAGE:

If you have more than one dancer, or you want flowers for the same dancer in more than one show: PLEASE fill out separate forms for each one.... You may pay together, but it is easier when preparing the bouquets if we have separate forms.

3 Roses with baby' breath, wrapped in tissue with a lollipop\$8.00 _____

6 Roses with baby' breath, wrapped in tissue with a lollipop.....,.... \$15.00 _____

12 Roses with baby' breath, wrapped in tissue with a lollipop.....\$25.00 _____

**Recital T-shirts Carolina Blue Tshirt with Glitter Black and Gold Recital Logo and Rhinestones
(samples available in the upstairs waiting room)**

T-shirts are \$15.00 each and will be picked up at Recital at the flower table in the cafeteria

YOUTH: X-Small _____ Small _____ Medium _____ Large _____ X-Large _____

ADULT: Small _____ Medium _____ Large _____ X-Large _____

Name on Back in Gold Glitter _____ Add \$3.00

Make checks payable to: Jan's Dance Connection

Amount Paid: \$ _____ CASH _____ CHECK NUMBER _____

The Competition Dance Team Fundraiser - Jan's Dance Connection Logo Bracelet

New this year we will be selling Jan's Dance Connection Bangle Bracelet as a fundraiser for the Competition Dance Teams. The silver bracelet will have the Jan's Dance Logo with a Hot Pink and White Bead. A sample of the bracelet is available upstairs with the studio secretary .

Please Select Size:

Sizes Youth Size _____ Adult Regular _____ Adult Large _____

Price for Pre-Sale is \$12.00 (If purchased after April 20th, the price is \$16.00) So order early and save money!

Bracelets can be picked up at Recital with Flowers and Tshirts

Student Name: _____

Cash _____ Check _____ \$ _____ Amount