

# Artistic Dance Unlimited



## December 2023 Newsletter

### Parent Observation Week

December 11<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023 will be our **Parent Observation Week**. Parents are invited to attend their child's class. **We ask that only 2 people per student observe.** \*\*Please make arrangements for siblings to be supervised elsewhere. Children may not be left unattended in the lobby.

Video cameras are welcome. Please be considerate of our students and other parents, **CELL PHONES SHOULD BE TURNED OFF**. The students have worked hard and deserve everyone's undivided attention.

**This observation week is held for the parents and legal guardians of our students only.**

Recital is much more appropriate time for grandparents and other extended family members to see their dancer perform. We hope everyone enjoys the observation week! Parents, please remember that all students react differently when others are watching. Dancers may be shy or embarrassed and younger dancers may not participate in the class as well as they do under normal circumstances. There will not be any other dates available for parents to observe.

### \*\*Important Recital Info\*\*

**Don't forget to mark your calendars now for the Spring Recital to be held Friday, May 31<sup>st</sup> and Saturday, June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024 with a mandatory dress rehearsal on May 31<sup>st</sup> and June 1<sup>st</sup>. We are pleased to announce that the recital will be held at The Clayton Center for the Arts at Maryville College. We have started ordering costumes for the recital. If you have made a costume deposit, statements for the balance will be handed out in February 2024.**

### Mark Your Calendars

The studio will be closed for the holidays beginning **Friday December 15<sup>th</sup> through Sunday January 1<sup>st</sup>**. Classes will resume on **Tuesday, January 2<sup>nd</sup> 2024. Regular tuition will be due for the month of December. If you have any questions, please see the office manager.**

### Other Important Dates:

Spring Break.....March 11<sup>th</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup>  
\*\*Spring Parent Observation...April 8<sup>th</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup>  
Picture Week..... April 22<sup>th</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup>  
\*\*Dress Rehearsal.....May 31<sup>st</sup> & June 1<sup>st</sup>  
\*\*Recital.....May 31<sup>st</sup> & June 1<sup>st</sup>

\*\*Dates subject to change or be cancelled



### ADU SICKNESS POLICY

Please keep your student home if they are experiencing any cold/flu or stomach symptoms. Students should not return to class unless they are fever and symptom free for 24 hours. Please refer to our sickness protocols in our September newsletter located on our website, [adudance.com](http://adudance.com)

### INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY

In the case of inclement weather, please call the studio. We will leave a message regarding closing by 2:00pm. The studio may not necessarily close when the school systems close if the weather has shown improvement throughout the day. You will also receive an email notification and it will be posted on Facebook and Instagram



## Christmas Parade Information

**\*\*ADU is #106 & 107 in the parade lineup\*\*.** You will be responsible for dropping your child off at our location in the parade line-up on Saturday, Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>

**NO LATER than 10:30 am.** We will be lining up in Alcoa on Rankin Road behind ETMG.

The parade will conclude at New Providence Presbyterian Church. Spectators are encouraged to utilize public parking in Downtown to watch the parade.

**\*\*Parents must pick up their child at the New Providence Presbyterian Church when WE finish the parade route, not when the entire parade is finished! Please be prompt. You may not pick up your child before we have completed the parade route. Do not wait until the end of the parade to pick up your child. Parents should be waiting at the church when ADU finishes.\*\***

**Parade release forms are in the lobby, all float riders must submit one. These are for float riders only. Please sign and return to the tuition box.**

**\*\*Watch the weather for Saturday, Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> and make sure your child has the appropriate layers on if needed. Students are not allowed to wear jackets. If it is cold, please make sure your child has many layers under their sweat suit. White/navy gloves and white/navy earmuffs are permitted. All students need to have their hair in a ponytail (if possible) with white or navy elastics or ribbons. White tennis shoes & white socks must be worn as well. Float riders may bring light colored blankets to cover up and sit on.**

**\*\*Parent volunteers must also sign a release form. Parents of three year olds are allowed to ride the float first, and then other parents may ride if there is enough room.**

Rain Date for the Parade is Sunday, Dec 3<sup>rd</sup> at 3:00 pm

## Studio Reminders

**\*\*It is important to have your child to class on time.**

**\*\*In the case of inclement weather call the studio for closing information. We will NOT follow any particular school system's schedule.**

**\*\*Students need to use the restroom before they enter class.**

**\*\* Costume deposits must be fully paid in order for your child to receive a costume.**

**\*\*Students need to have their hair up and secured away from face BEFORE coming to class.**

**\*\*Please be sure all shoes, bags, clothes, etc. are labeled with your child's name. If you are missing anything, please check our lost in found.**

**\*\* Please help us keep the studio clean. Please encourage your dancer to clean up after themselves and to keep the dressing room clean.**

**\*\* Parents if you have any questions, please call the studio at (865)982-1993 or email us at [info@artisticdanceumnlimited.com](mailto:info@artisticdanceumnlimited.com). We will return your call or email ASAP.**



**TO OUR ENTIRE STUDIO FAMILY~  
WE WISH YOU ALL A VERY SPECIAL  
HOLIDAY SEASON! MAY YOUR  
CHRISTMAS BE FILLED WITH LOVE AND  
MAY THE NEW YEAR BRING YOU  
HAPPINESS!!!**

**MERRY CHRISTMAS FROM ALETTE,  
URSULA, SHARON, JENNIFER, HILARY,  
LISA, LINDSEY, CHARLI, EMILY, CAYLA,  
SHELBY, KALI, SIERRA, DANA,  
BROOKELYN, ELIZABETH, AND ALL OF  
THE TEACHERS' ASSISTANTS!**



## **ADU Dance Company Info & Reminders**

- \* There will be no parent observation for Dance Company classes or senior lyrical.
- \* The Christmas parade is mandatory for Dance Company students. Dancers should wear their Company Warm Up with a turtleneck and lots of layers underneath.
- \* Solo, Duet, Trio costumes must be paid by Dec ??<sup>th</sup> otherwise a \$10 late fee will be added.

### **Upcoming competitions:**

**March 3<sup>rd</sup>- 5<sup>th</sup>. 2023 – KAR (Kids Artistic Revue) @  
Knoxville Civic Auditorium, Knoxville, TN**

<b>FEES:</b>	<b>SOLO</b>	<b>\$155 PER DANCER</b>
	<b>DUET</b>	<b>\$90 PER DANCER</b>
	<b>TRIO</b>	<b>\$90 PER DANCER</b>
	<b>ALL GROUPS</b>	<b>\$70 PER Dancer</b>

PHOTOGENIC entries must be pre-registered online \$30.

Title entries can be pre-registered on line \$40 or register at event \$45

### **FEES ARE DUE BY DECEMBER 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

\*A \$20 late fee will be charged to accounts with unpaid Competition fees after December 15<sup>th</sup>. 2023.

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### **March 1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> – Inferno @ TBD, Knoxville, TN**

<b>FEES:</b>	<b>SOLO</b>	<b>\$125 PER PERSON</b>
	<b>DUET</b>	<b>\$70 PER PERSON</b>
	<b>TRIO</b>	<b>\$70 PER PERSON</b>
	<b>ALL GROUPS</b>	<b>\$50 PER PERSON</b>

PHOTGENIC entries must be done on site the day of the competition.

TITLE Competition\$50, includes interview and inprov

### **FEES ARE DUE BY January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024.**

\*A \$20 late fee will be charged to accounts with unpaid Competition fees after January 25<sup>th</sup>. 2024.