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# Dance Beat

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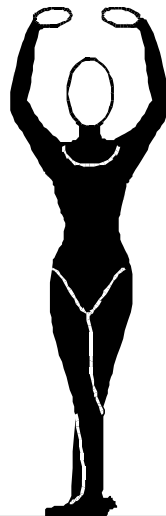
## From the Director Annette Romano-Merlini

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome both our new and returning students to Dance Dimensions. I am looking forward to another wonderful year at the studio. Through this newsletter, Dance Beat, I hope to keep parents and dancers informed about the who, what, where, when, why and how of our dance family. We will include important dates to remember, special events, the latest information about our competition team and performance ensemble, introductions of our new student assistants, and something special for the kids.

In addition to this newsletter be sure to check out our website [www.dance-dimensions.net](http://www.dance-dimensions.net). Our website includes class schedules, the school calendar, teacher bios and much more. This should be your first place to check for any closings due to inclement weather. Also "like" us on Facebook!

## 2011-12 Teaching Staff

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Chrisi Cunningham  
Amy DeCanio  
Michele LaVitola



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Competition Team News

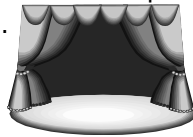
We are pleased to welcome the addition of a new "Mini" competition teams this year: Mia Castro, Remy Barker, Nicole Lack, Ava Pillari, Megan McFadden, Joy Zhang, Bryelle Colon, Madeleine Kennedy, Lydia Tohara-Dunn, ToniAnne Gagliostro & Leigh Callegari!

We would also like to welcome new members to our existing teams. Graciela Galvez, Abigail Yi, Sabrina Russo, Julia Russo, Hannah Yi, Isabella Cho, Nicole Quimbo, Jasmine Uy, Maggie Martinez & Marissa Rosa!

All our dancers are working hard learning new choreography for the competition season which will begin in February. Throughout the fall, the competition dancers are also attending various workshops and Master classes to keep improving their dance technique.

Performance Ensemble

We are so pleased to continue the Performance Ensemble which began several years ago. The dancers who are part of this ensemble will perform in nursing homes, malls and community events, and Six Flags Great Adventure in the Spring! We are working on our Holiday Show. All students in grades 1 and up are eligible for this troupe. See the office for details.



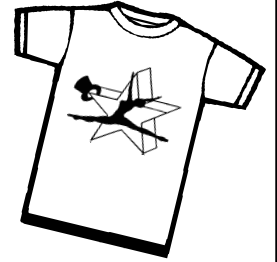
This and That

- ★ As a courtesy to everyone who uses the waiting room, we ask that no food or drink (except water) be brought into the studio.
★ When parking at the studio, you may use any spot except the three labeled "reserved for Dr. Kohn's patients."
★ Enclosed you will find a Dance Dimensions T-Shirt and sweatshirt order form -- what a great holiday gift idea!
★ Shooting Stars Parents: Please make sure school emblem is sewn on leotard or shirt (boys).
★ When making payments, please write your child's name in the memo section of your check.

Dates to Remember

October 22

Orders due for Dance Dimensions sweats, bags, jackets, etc.



See office for order form or order securely online https://www.dance-dimensions.net/Dancewear.html



November 5

Second tuition payment due. \*\*Save \$5.00 per costume\*\*

Pay your costume order along with your tuition and take a \$5.00 discount per costume.

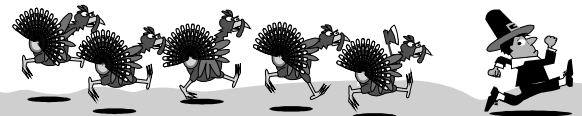
Final orders are due by December 3. Payment must be received or postmarked by November 5 in order to receive discount.

Pay in person, by phone or online!

Closed after 3pm on halloween

November 24-27

Thanksgiving Recess Enjoy your turkey day!



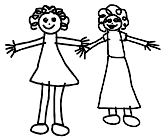
December 20—January 2

Winter Recess

The last day of classes before the break will be Mon. Dec. 19 and we will resume on Tues Jan 3.

Enjoy the Holidays!

# Bring a Friend Day!



Introduce a friend to the wonderful world of dance here at Dance Dimensions. Each student in 3 yr. old classes and older may bring one friend to class with them during the week of October 17-22. Friends will participate in many activities and observe others. Friends should wear dance clothes if they have them or any loose comfortable clothing. If your guest registers at Dance Dimensions by October 30, both students will receive \$20 off your last tuition payment!

## Feathers For Your Hair

On Friday, Sept. 30 and Oct. 7 we will be hosting a "Feather Fundraiser". A hair dresser will be in the studio to put in feathers, tinsel or colored hair extensions. It takes just a few minutes to put in and lasts for 4-6 weeks. She will have a large selection to choose from! Call the office to reserve a timeslot or for more info.

## EXTRA -EXTRA

Did you read all about it?

Dance Dimensions won a facebook contest and on Sept. 20th the Radio City Rockettes came to the studio and taught a master class!!



## Halloween Word Scramble



Can you unscramble these mixed up words to discover the Spooky Halloween creatures?

1. gohst

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2. vemipar

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3. wtchi

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4. snlkteeo

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5. mmmuy

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6. feetrnsanink

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7. wrleefwo

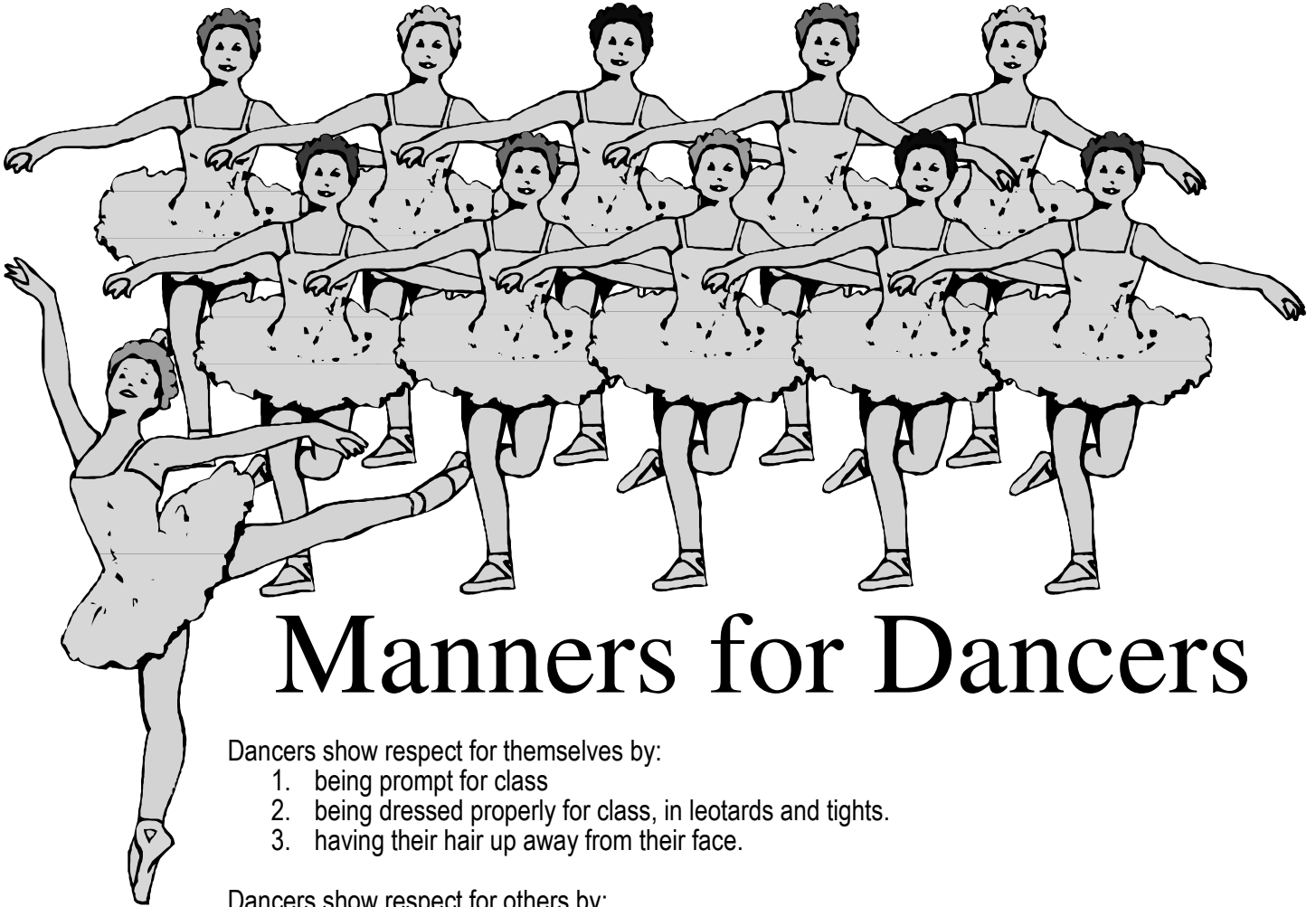
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8. mnorset

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Parents: The following is some very important information we would like you to read and share with your children so everyone can have a positive experience when they come to Dance Dimensions.



# Manners for Dancers

Dancers show respect for themselves by:

1. being prompt for class
2. being dressed properly for class, in leotards and tights.
3. having their hair up away from their face.

Dancers show respect for others by:

1. keeping their hands to themselves during class.
2. waiting quietly for others to have a turn.
3. not carrying on personal conversations during class.

Dancers show respect for their teacher and the art form they are learning by:

1. being properly dressed and ready for class on time.
2. listening when the teacher speaks.
3. being prepared for their turn.
4. asking before leaving the room.
5. applauding the teacher at the end of the class.

Dancers show respect for the studio by:

1. not bringing gum, food or drink (except water) into the building.
2. never hanging on the barres.
3. never running in the studio or waiting area.
4. putting trash in its proper place.
5. putting away books and magazines when they are finished with them.

Parents show respect for the dance class, teacher and studio by:

1. knocking before entering the classroom if a class is in progress.
2. standing away from the door or window if it becomes obvious students are being distracted.
3. having students ready for class before entering the classroom.
4. picking students up promptly after class.