



# Duvall Performing Arts

## October Newsletter 2011



### Welcome Back to DPA



Welcome Back to DPA, we all hope you had a great summer! We can't believe September is already over and we are into October. We have a full year ahead of us and are excited that we will be trying some new things and keeping some things the same...don't mess with it if it isn't broken right? To start with we will be sending monthly newsletters to our families to review what is happening and to announce upcoming events. If you haven't joined us on Facebook, please do, we will be doing many important announcements via email, newsletters, Facebook and our webpage. We have reached new highs in terms of student enrollment this fall, with a huge explosion of students that are joining Hip Hop. At this time the following classes are at capacity.

- Pre-Ballet - Wednesday

- Ballet 1A (Monday and Tuesday)

At this time, we are trying to accommodate and improve the schedule for winter, but check out our Saturday classes.



### Saturday Classes

The following classes are offered on **Saturday** and are currently not full.

- Creative Movement A and B - 9am-9:45am.
- Pre-Ballet from 10am to 11am.
- Intro to Jazz/Lyrical 11am to 12am (8-10yrs)

### Self Defense Class



Calling all boys 7 years and older! We are looking for boys to join our self-defense class on Thursdays from 5:10 to 6:10pm. No prior experience needed! Contact [admin@duvallperformingarts.com](mailto:admin@duvallperformingarts.com) or call or stop by the studio. In addition, we are currently offering a special for the Self Defense class...**come try the first class for free** and if you sign up you will receive **2 free classes!** Also, if you bring a friend and they sign up you will receive one more free class...totaling 3 classes free- a deal you wouldn't want to miss!

### No Classes



Parents, just a reminder there will be no classes on the following dates.

- Monday, October 31st

## Exciting News



Several of our Level 4 students recently ventured to the Dancewear store in Redmond to receive their first pair of Pointe shoes. Getting your first pair of Pointe shoes is a very big deal for every aspiring ballerina. It takes lots of preparation and hard work to be strong enough to pursue Pointe. Congratulations girls!

## DPA Movie Nights

Mark your calendars, DPA will host the following movie nights at the studio - from 6pm to 9pm. The cost is \$20 per student and \$10 each sibling.

- November 11<sup>th</sup>
- January 27<sup>th</sup>
- February 17<sup>th</sup>
- March 23<sup>rd</sup>
- April 27<sup>th</sup>
- May 11<sup>th</sup>

## Halloween Party

October 28<sup>th</sup>!!!



Call all monsters, ghosts and vampires!!!! It's time to whip out your best Halloween costume and join the annual DPA Halloween party! There will be fun games, "Halloween" Olympics, dancing to Thriller and doing the Monster Mash. The event will be from 6pm to 9pm and the cost is \$20 per student and \$10 per sibling. Pizza and drinks will be provided. This event is for children ages 4 and up.



## 2012 Recital

This year we are trying some new approaches to recital preparation and planning. Starting in a few weeks we will be asking for sign-up and commitment for this year's recital. You will start to see information flowing on many of the recital details **very soon.** This will include the theme, how it will be conducted and the dates of the recital. This will enable us to order a majority of the costumes before the year ends and get a heads up on set-building etc. Information will be posted on the website very soon,

along with Facebook and email communication.

## Holiday Events



The holiday season is filled with fun and exciting activities here at DPA. Our students can explore the wonders of the holidays with all sorts of activities. See below for more details!

## Nutcracker at PNB

We are now announcing sign-ups for Nutcracker tickets! We have changed the date from the Dec 9<sup>th</sup> to the Dec 2<sup>nd</sup> in order to see past DPA students perform. These students are Kaylee Cunningham, Emily Northrop, and Lauren Comer! This is a very fun activity to attend for all ages and this price is a GREAT deal! We have **200 tickets** and will sell them on a first come-first serve basis. Hurry and buy them as they will sell out! The sign-up sheet is in the DPA office. Don't forget to bring your check book!

Here are the specifics

- ❖ Friday December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2011
- ❖ 12:00 PM
- ❖ \$18 each - Make checks **payable to Rachel Blockhus.**



## Nutcracker Camp

As tradition dictates here at DPA we are once again holding Nutcracker Camp during the holiday season. This event is being moved from, from Dec 3<sup>rd</sup> to Dec 10<sup>th</sup>. Have your child celebrate the season by attending this annual tradition at DPA. Crafts, treats, storytelling, and dancing will fill their hearts with holiday cheer. Parents can enjoy some quiet time to themselves to shop, wrap presents, or just sip some much deserved cocoa! Just be sure and join us at the end for a special performance!

## Meet Clara May



Clara is helping out at the front desk this year. She was a student here for several years and we are very excited to have her as a part of our team! Welcome Clara!



## Parking

Here at DPA we are invested in ensuring the safety of our dancers and family members. Here are a few things to remember about the parking lot behind the building.

- ✓ The road behind DPA is a **ONE WAY** street. Please exit on the Shell side only. We apologize for the small size of our parking lot- we are working toward getting a safer, more convenient parking lot.
- ✓ **All children should be accompanied by an adult** at all times in the parking lot. If your child is waiting to be picked up, please have them wait in the office or hallway. It's a hard parking lot to see around when you are driving and any children running around runs the risk of being hit and we would hate to see that happen.
- ✓ Going along with #2, **please do not allow your children to climb, play or run around the outside** of the building. This includes the staircase.
- ✓ **Do not leave personal belongings in your car** and remember to **lock your car** when you come inside.