



## Upper Merion Dance & Gymnastics Center, LLC.

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Welcome to Spring Dance! We hope everyone had a great holiday and new year! A few notes and reminders – please dress properly for all dance classes and hair should be tied back off the face. In case of inclement weather, please call the studio 1 hour before classes begin to see if they are running. Make ups are not offered for missed classes; instead a credit can be issued for future use. A limit of 3 credits per session is offered, and credits must be requested within two weeks of the missed class. Please check the Spring brochure or the website for credit request slips, other policies and information.

We are starting to plan for our 2009 dance recital entitled “Everybody Dance Now!” The recital is a great opportunity for students to showcase what they have learned in classes. Performance helps build confidence as well as self esteem. We hope your dancer(s) will be a part of this very exciting experience! Dance students are encouraged but not required to perform in the recital. Please let your instructor or Miss Michelle know ASAP if your child does not wish or is not available to perform in the recital; however, they are more than welcome to still take class(es). Creative movement and combo classes are not eligible for the recital.

Please be advised we are giving you advance notice for the recital, so you may plan vacations and other summer activities accordingly. This year’s dates are different than in years past.

### **MANDATORY Dress Rehearsal: Friday, June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2009**

Pre-K and Kindergarten classes 6:30 p.m. All other classes: 7:30 p.m. All dancers performing in the recital are required to be at the dress rehearsal.

### **RECITAL DATES AND TIMES:**

**Saturday, June 13, 2009 at 7:00pm**

**Sunday, June 14, 2009 at 2:00pm**

All Classes will perform both nights, EXCEPT Pre-K and Kindergarten classes who will perform only one show. Class specific performance nights will be determined in mid-January.

Both Dress Rehearsal and Recital are held at Upper Merion Area High School Auditorium, King of Prussia.

All Pre-K students MUST be 4 by the first day of the spring session class in order to perform in the recital. Recital participants must be registered for the entire spring session from January to June. Monthly payment option is available. Recital participants aged 8 and older may not miss more than 3 classes during the session. Exceptions may be made for certain circumstances. Please let Michelle know in advance of any conflicts that arise.

A recital costume is required for each dance class. Students will be measured for costumes between the first and third week of classes. Costume cost is between \$50-\$65. Costume payment is due no later than **Jan. 24<sup>th</sup>**. It’s best to pay for costumes the day they are measured. No costumes will be ordered without payment.

Recital portraits will be taken at dress rehearsal by Kids at Heart photography. When students are finished onstage, they will have their portraits taken. Group and individual portraits are available for optional purchase. Students are free to leave after they have finished their routines and portraits or are welcome to stay and watch the remainder of the numbers onstage. Bradley Digital will be filming this year’s recital for purchase. Both Kids at Heart and Bradley Digital are new to this year’s recital; I have reviewed their work and am confident they will do a great job.

More details regarding the recital will be communicated as they become available. The recital page on the web site is updated often. Feel free to contact us with any questions or concerns you may have. Thank you in advance for your continued support and cooperation. Looking forward to a wonderful 5<sup>th</sup> recital!

Miss Michelle & Staff