

2023 FALL NEWSLETTER

THE 2024 JUNE RECITAL

The 2024 June Recital will be **Saturday June 8th and Sunday June 9th** at the Menlo-Atherton Performing Arts Center. The performances include all MPAD students and the day & time that each class will dance will be determined in April. Costumes will be ordered for dancers from Pre Dance & Tap through all Level III classes and must be paid for **by January 20th**. Students will be measured in class at the beginning of January and an email will be sent to each class with costume price and details of payment options. Level IV and above classes will be asked to purchase an accessory to wear with their regular class attire.



ROYAL ACADEMY OF DANCE BALLET EXAMS

RAD Ballet Exams for Primary through Advanced II levels are scheduled for the beginning of **March 2024**. Deadline to sign up for all exams is **December 4th 2023**. **Students who wish to take the exam in Primary and Grade 1 are required to take a minimum of two ballet classes a week no later than the week of December 4th, 2023 through the exam date in order to attain a stronger achievement.** It is mandatory for exam students in Ballet 2 and above to have taken a minimum of two ballet classes per week starting in September 2023. Please visit our RAD page to learn more about the RAD curriculum and exams.



STUDIO HOLIDAYS

Thanksgiving break: Thursday November 23rd through Saturday November 25th 2023. Please make up the class(es) you will miss – there are no refunds for missed classes due to Thanksgiving break.

Winter break: Sunday December 24th, 2023 through Sunday January 7th, 2024.

Please note:

From Monday August 14th to Saturday December 23rd, there are 19 weeks of tuition (4 3/4 months of tuition) therefore August is 3/4 month tuition & September, October, November and December are full month tuition. From Monday January 8th to Friday June 7th, there are 22 weeks (5 1/2 months of tuition) therefore June is half month tuition.

There are no classes on Saturday June 8th. Please make up the class you will miss. There are no refunds for missed classes due to the Recital.

MPAD WINTER INTENSIVE

We are pleased to announce our sixth WINTER INTENSIVE from **January 3rd through January 5th 2024**, for Intermediate, Inter/Advanced and Advanced level students. Classes will be offered in classical ballet, pointe, contemporary and other dance genres, and taught by Erin Yarbrough (Smuin Ballet), Brennan Wall (Smuin Ballet), Michael Lowe (Artistic Director Menlowe Ballet) with additional teachers TBA. Students can register for one, two, or all three days. More information and registration forms are now available from the MPAD Office and online. Don't miss this fun and informative winter program in our school!



SUMMER BALLET INTENSIVE

MPAD Summer Intensive for Intermediate and Advanced students will be **June 10th through June 28th, 2024**. The Intensive offers elite instruction in classical ballet technique, pointe, variations, contemporary, jazz and African dance. Brochures and registration will be available February 2024.



JUNIOR BALLET INTENSIVE

The Junior Summer Intensive will be **June 10th through June 28th, 2024**. The Junior Intensive offers elite instruction in classical ballet technique, contemporary ballet, jazz and musical theatre for Grade 3, 4, & 5 level students (must have completed Ballet 3). Brochures and registration will be available February 2024.

MPAD SUMMER CLASSES

Classes are scheduled to start **July 8th, 2024**. Please join us for another exciting summer!

WINTER SUITE - A NUTCRACKER FANTASY

Menlo Park Academy of Dance is excited to present its delightful holiday show "Winter Suite – A Nutcracker Fantasy" on **December 2nd & 3rd, 2023** at the Menlo-Atherton Performing Arts Center. "Winter Suite – A Nutcracker Fantasy" is a charming original story for children and families created by Michael Lowe, Sarah-Jane Measor and Julie Lowe – Artistic Directors of Menlowe Ballet. It follows a young girls dream of dancing in the Nutcracker, which takes her on a captivating adventure as she fulfills her quest.



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