



MID MARYLAND PERFORMING ARTS CENTER ... *impacting lives through dance!*

DIRECTOR'S NOTE

Hello MMPAC Families,

Congratulations to all of our dancers on a great first semester! You made magic happen! There is so much to share in this newsletter about our fall activities and fun yet to come.

I am pleased to announce that instructor Megan Norris will be taking on more responsibility in the office. She will be assisting me in managing projects for MMPAC. I am thrilled - please feel free to go to her with questions, ideas and suggestions!

Costumes have been rolling in and time is clicking by. The instructors are beginning choreography for the annual show. Please have your dancers in attendance each week so that your students and their class peers can continue to progress. Stay warm and follow us on social media for updates!

Warm Regards,
Kimberly Price
MMPAC Director

MMPAC CALENDAR

- Feb 4-9 MMPAC SPIRIT WEEK
- Feb 9 I LOVE DANCE DAY (Frederick Studio)
1:00-3:30 pm, Ages 3-11
- Feb 25 SUMMER REGISTRATION begins
- Mar 2-3 MMPAC in NYC!
- Mar 9 BUN & MAKE-UP Tutorial (Frederick Studio)
10:00-11:00 am
- Mar 16 BUN & MAKE-UP Tutorial (New Market)
10:00 - 11:00 am
- Mar 16 ACTING UP CABARET (Frederick Studio)
3:00 pm
- Mar 18-23 PARENT OBSERVATION!
- Mar 22-24 FX @ Philly Youth Dance Festival
- Mar 28-30 MMPAC PHOTO DAYS (Frederick Studio)
No classes held except 3/30 morning
- Apr 16-22 SPRING BREAK - No dance classes
- May 11 LAST DAY OF DANCE CLASSES
- May 14-16 DRESS REHEARSALS (Weinberg Center)
- May 18-19 ANNUAL PERFORMANCE (Weinberg Center)

If you LOVE dance,
join us for some FUN at MMPAC!

I ♥ DANCE DAY

- ♥ Saturday, Feb. 9th
- ♥ 1:00-3:30 pm Frederick Studio
- ♥ Ages 3-11
- ♥ \$15 fee
- ♥ Dance Classes, Crafts, Snacks, and Fun activities!
- ♥ Tell your friends! The event is open to all.
- ♥ Register in advance via Family Portal or at the desk.

BUN & MAKE-UP Tutorial

Feeling hesitant about making the perfect bun? Unsure of how much make-up you need for the stage? Bring your brushes, bobby pins, gel and hairspray to join us for a workshop on both! Sign up on the bulletin board at each studio!

Sat. March 9th 10:00-11:00 am Frederick Studio
Sat. March 16th 10:00-11:00 am New Market Studio



DON'T MISS the Acting Up Cabaret!

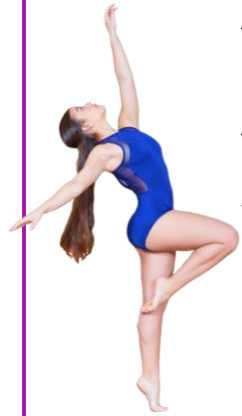
Acting Up Company 4 is pleased to present their annual cabaret afternoon of musical theatre. Please join our performers as they showcase their singing, dancing, and acting skills presenting monologues, scenes, and songs. See moments from all their experiences this year and preview the Acting Up piece for the annual performance. This is a free event so invite a friend and **join us at 3 pm on Saturday, March 16th at the Frederick Studio.**



ARE YOU READY for SUMMER DANCE?

Last summer, dancers learned choreography from MMPAC faculty and renowned guest artists. Some even tapped their way through Ireland! We hope you can be a part of our exciting summer programs this year, registration begins Feb. 25th.

- ◆ **EVENING MINI-INTENSIVE**
June 18-20, Ages 11-18
- ◆ **DANCING DREAMS & MAGICAL ADVENTURES**
July 8-12 & Aug 12-16, Ages 3-5
- ◆ **SUMMER STARS Dance & Theater**
July 15-26, Ages 6-18
- ◆ **EVENING DANCE CLASSES**
August 7, 14, 21, & 28



MMPAC Spirit Week!

You loved it...and we're bringing it back!

Monday 2/4: WEAR YOUR MMPAC COLORS

Wear Blues, purples and greens to class (in uniform!)

Tuesday 2/5: JAZZ UP YOUR DANCE HAIR DAY

Accessorize/decorate your buns or pony tails!

Wednesday 2/6: TWIN DANCER DAY

Dress like your bdfbf (best dance friends forever!)

Thursday 2/7: THROWBACK THURSDAY

Wear your favorite recital costume from years gone by!

Saturday 2/9: MMPAC GEAR DAY

Break out your MMPAC shirts, sweats, hats, etc.

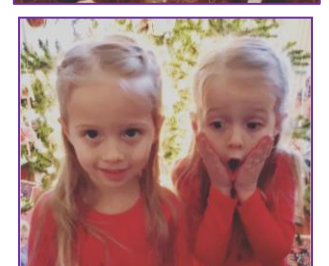
PERFORMING in our Local Community!

MMPAC dancers graced the stage during our annual benefit concert, MMPAC Cares to Dance on November 17th at Frederick Community College. The performance raised \$1300 for the American Red Cross: US Disaster Relief fund. MMPAC dancers, of all ages, also performed at the Westview Tree Lighting Ceremony, Country Meadows Nursing Home, and Record Street Nursing Home this holiday season. On January 19th, 12 MMPAC dancers had the privilege of dancing at the ribbon cutting of the new Old Navy!



NYC Dance Alliance!

On January 11th, MMPAC's student dance company, FX, traveled to Baltimore to attend and compete in the NYCDA Dance Convention. The weekend was packed with classes, competitions, and auditions for scholarships. Gwen Weeks and Meridythe Witt received Gold awards and Maggie Adams received a Platinum award for their solo performances. FX's group piece, Among the Wild, snagged a Platinum award and was a finalist in the Critic's Choice Award. Noah Price was awarded both a scholarship to the Steps Conservatory 2-year dance program and the title, Outstanding Dancer Runner-Up!



MUSIC MOVEMENT MAGIC

COMING SOON... Performance Info Packets!

This packet includes all the forms, directions and details you NEED to be organized, ready and ON TIME for Photo Day, Dress Rehearsal, and the Annual Performance. Photo, T-shirt, and DVD order forms are included. Coming your way Feb 15th!

20% OFF ALL Winter MMPAC Gear!

Stay warm this season with our **angel fleece pants**, warm **sweatshirts**, **knit hats**, and cozy **sweatshirt blankets**!

Sizes and quantities are limited.

