

# Starz Dancer

Denver Dance Starz Competition Team Newsletter

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## Spring!

Well, spring has finally arrived and that means we are closing in on the end of another dance year. We hope you all had a relaxing Spring Break because the next 2 months will be jam packed with LOTS of goings on!

## Performance Info

Our next performance is at the Children's Museum on Saturday, April 18 at 11:30 a.m. All groups will perform. We will also have a performance at Elms Haven on Saturday, April 25.

## Starz Showcase

Don't forget: the annual Starz Showcase, spotlighting our solos, duets and trios is THIS Sunday, April 5 at 3:00 p.m. It will be held at the Northglenn Rec Center. Tickets will be on sale AT THE DOOR. The cost is \$7.00. This will be the ONLY opportunity to see our solos, duets and trios perform (except Seniors, who will perform in the recital.)

## Competition Info

KAR is just about 6 weeks away. Our registrations have been sent in and we will probably receive the schedule around the beginning of May.

## Recital Info

Recital info was sent out prior to Spring Break. This info is also available on the website. If you want to pre-order recital memorabilia or place an ad in the yearbook, please be sure to adhere to all deadlines.

## 2009-2010 Intent

If you have not returned your 2009-2010 intent, please do so ASAP.

## Opening Number

The Opening Number rehearsal schedule is included on the April/May rehearsal schedule. There are very few rehearsals scheduled, so please plan to attend all those that have been scheduled.

## Pictures

Competition Team Recital pictures will be taken at the ANNEX on **Saturday, May 2**. Pictures will begin at 10:00 a.m. and will take ALL day. ONLY competition team photos will be taken on this date. All ballet and lyrical pictures will be taken on the Recital picture day: Saturday, May 30. The picture schedule was sent out prior to Spring Break. It is also available on the website.

## Upcoming Rehearsal Info

The April/May rehearsal schedule is attached. These rehearsals are very important, as they are the final ones prior to KAR. The May rehearsals are MANDATORY. If you anticipate not being able to attend these rehearsals, please contact Michelle IMMEDIATELY to discuss this. If dancers miss these rehearsals, it affects their entire group and is not fair to the group or teacher. Please make dance the priority during this time prior to competition.

## Competition Team Fees

Everyone should have received an updated statement of their competition team fees. This includes the final cost on costumes and competition fees. Please remember **your fees must be current in order for your dancer to compete at KAR**. ALL competition team fees for the 2008-2009 year MUST be paid in full by June 1.

## Yearbook Ads

Don't forget the deadline to submit your yearbook ads and "1" liners is **May 1**. That's just around the corner! If you would like to look at some samples, there is a past yearbook available at the studio. This is a great way to do something for your dancer to let them know how proud you are of their dance accomplishments this year! You can also go out and solicit ads for the yearbook, from other businesses - or your own home-based business. Remember, for every \$50 in ads you submit, your dancer will receive a ticket for the Starz Recital Award raffle. They **COULD** win a **YEAR'S FREE TUITION** (not to exceed \$450)! So get busy on those ads and good luck! **Please be sure and submit the Ad Record Sheet with your submission.**

## Important Dates

April 5	3:00	Starz Showcase
April 18	11:30	Performance at Children's Museum
April 25	2:00	Performance at Elms Haven
May 2	10:00	Competition Team Recital Pictures
May 8-10	TBA	<b>MANDATORY</b> Rehearsals
May 11-14		<b>MANDATORY</b> Classes
May 15-17	TBA	KAR Competition
May 30	TBA	Rec Recital Pictures
June 6	1:00, 4:30	Recital

## In the Know

Parents are **REMINDED** that it's **YOUR RESPONSIBILITY** to stay informed on **ALL** the latest info regarding performances, costumes, extra rehearsals, etc. Please do **NOT** rely on your dancer (no matter how old they are) as they do not always communicate information.

It is important that you stop into the studio on a weekly basis to check up on what's going on. You can also **consult the website, Kids Calendar, your group moms or e-mail me for all the latest info.**

## Congratulations

Congratulations to Molly Bantugan. Molly has been accepted to Denver School of the Arts for the 2009-2010 school year. Molly will join the 5 other DDS dancers that currently attend DSA.

## Auditions

We received this information while performing at the Platte Valley Medical Open House and wanted to pass it along to anyone interested. This is **NOT** a studio sponsored activity and you will be on your own to schedule and make arrangements for auditions. Also, please remember that April and May are very busy months for us at the dance studio and there are several **MANDATORY** things going on. In the event that you choose to audition and are selected, please advise them of these commitments, as they are your priority.

Official audition notice:

Prairie Playhouse announces auditions for the full-length musical *Bye Bye Birdie*, directed and choreographed by Shauna Dunlap, with musical direction by Jen Kroff.

Auditions are for children ages 10-18.

**DATES:** April 13th and 15th (Invite-only Call-backs on April 16th from 6:30-9PM)

**LOCATION:** TBD (we were unable to get the rec center that we thought we had)

**TIMES:** Please schedule an audition appointment by emailing [director@prairieplayhouse.com](mailto:director@prairieplayhouse.com).

Audition times flexible.

**PREPARE:** Please prepare a short section of a song to sing, and bring accompaniment if available (sheet music only, no CDs).

Accompanist provided. Be prepared to do cold readings from the script.

**SHOW DATES:** Show performs July 10-11, and 17-18, with 2 shows on both the 11th and 18th. (Must be available whole week of July 10)

**CAST FEE:** There will be a non-refundable \$40 cast fee associated with this production. Cost will include a DVD of the show.

**REHEARSALS:** Rehearsals will be held on Saturday afternoons from 1:30-4PM. Other rehearsal days/times have not been chosen yet, but rehearsals will be held 1-2 days per week during April/May, 3-4 days per week during June/July.