



Avalon School of the Arts

Studio Newsletter

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QUICK TIP:

Please write your child's name inside their dance shoes!

We get a lot of shoes in the Lost & Found and would like to return them to their rightful owners!

REMINDER:

Parents, please have little dancers use the restroom just prior to class. This helps cut down on the mid-class bathroom breaks. Teachers are not allowed to assist children in the restroom, so if you leave, be sure that your child can use the facilities unassisted. Thanks for your help!

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday: 1pm-7pm
Tuesday: 1pm -7pm
Wednesday: 4:30pm-7:30pm
Thursday: 9am-12pm & 4:30pm-7:30pm
Friday: 9am-12pm

Recital Info & Costume Fees

We are so excited to be entering into Dance Recital season! Mark your calendars:

Show 1 - Friday, June 5, 6pm (Mandatory Rehearsal Wednesday, June 3, 5pm)

Show 2 - Saturday, June 6, 2pm (Mandatory Rehearsal Thursday, June 4, 5pm)

Show 3 - Saturday, June 6, 6pm (Mandatory Rehearsal Saturday, June 6, 9am)

Most students will only perform their dance in one of these recitals. Show assignments will be announced by the end of January.

Take note of our location change this year! **All rehearsals and performances will take place at Holland Christian High School.**

If your child will be unable to participate for any reason, you **must** fill out the Recital Opt Out form in the office by January 31.

Recital costume fees will be automatically paid with your account on file February 1st, unless you have them added to your monthly payment plan. No costume refunds can be issued after February 1. Costume fees are not yet assessed for the Dance for 2-year-olds or Theatre classes. Those fees will be determined at a later date.

New Dance Class Openings

Due to popular demand, we have added some new sections of our Ballet/Acrobatcs Combo classes:

Ballet/Acrobatcs (ages 3-4) - Saturdays 11:30-12:20pm

Kinderballet/Acrobatcs (ages 4-6) - Saturdays 11:30-12:20pm

Now is also a great time to add a second dance class for second semester! Did you know that Avalon offers a multi-class discount of 15% off your 2nd and subsequent dance classes? Right now, you can add a second dance class for just \$233.75 for the rest of the year. Adding that class to your auto pay is just an extra \$46.75 per month. If you child has always wanted to include jazz, ballet, modern dance, or acrobatcs to their dance experience, stop by the office and we can help you find a class that would be a great fit for you!

Avalon Music Academy of Holland

Music Lessons available Monday through Saturday for Piano, Guitar, Ukulele, Electric Bass, Drums, Voice, Violin, and Brass & Woodwinds.

www.avalonmusicacademyofholland.com

(616) 834-0854 / info@avalonmusicacademyofholland.com



Clara and friends in *The Nutcracker*



Cecchetti Grade 3 students at their exam

It's cold and flu season!

Please do not send your child to class if they are sick. We are sanitizing the studio daily. Please make frequent use of the hand sanitizer in the lobby.

"To dance is to be out of yourself. Larger, more beautiful, more powerful... This is power, it is glory on earth and it is yours for the taking"

~ Agnes De Mille

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 or stop in the office to speak with Jennifer or Ami.
 Follow us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram @avalonschoolofhearts

The Lost & Found is overflowing!
Please check for any misplaced items.
All items left in the Lost & Found after 1/31/20 will be donated.



Congratulations!

We are so proud of our Avalon students who passed their Cecchetti Ballet Exams in December with honors! A big thank you to Miss Rhea for preparing them for their exams so well.

Grade 1: Emerson Howard, Makenzie Keifer, Maisy Szczerowski

Grade 2: Sadie Brooks

Grade 3: Avery Post, Mollie Bookie, Mackenzie Novakoski

We also had two of our talented teachers take their Grade 1 Teacher Examinations. Miss Jaime and Miss Leah both passed with Highly Commended distinction - the equivalent of an A+!

NO NUTS!

Avalon has a STRICT NUT FREE policy for all foods eaten at the studio. Absolutely no foods containing nuts, nut butters, or nut oils may be consumed in the studio, at rehearsals, or in our performance spaces. We have several children at Avalon with life threatening nut allergies. In addition, please help us to keep the lobby clean by disposing of all food waste and wrappers in trash. Check the floor around you!

Avalon Breaks & Events for 2020

Mark your dates for important upcoming events at Avalon! Our list of events can also be found on our website.

- **January 31** - deadline to opt-out of recital
- **February 1** - costume payments due
- **March 19, 20 & 21** - Performances for 'From the Page to the Stage' - Avalon's Winter Theatre production! Look for more info in next month's newsletter!
- **Monday, April 6 - Saturday, April 11, 2020** - CLOSED Spring Break. We WILL be open on Saturday, April 4.
- **Tuesday, May 5 - Saturday, May 9, 2020** - No classes due to Tulip Time. This week will be reserved for making up Snow Days.
- **Monday, May 25, 2020** - CLOSED Memorial Day
- **Friday, June 5 & Saturday, June 6, 2020** - **Spring Dance Recital at Holland Christian High School**

PLEASE NOTE: Avalon does not close for local schools' long weekend "Winter Breaks."

Congratulations to all of our students who participated in our 2019 production of *The Nutcracker*! We are so proud of your hard work and commitment. Thank you to the audience members who came in record numbers to enjoy the show!