



Michelle Ferraro's Dance USA's Monthly Newsletter...

"The DanceStar"

SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2022

As we settle in for a new dance season, I'd like to take this opportunity to thank you for joining us for the 2022/2023 Dance Year: Our 30th Year! With all of the studios out there for you to choose from, thank you for choosing Michelle Ferraro's Dance USA. I can't believe it's my 30th Anniversary! 30 years of MFDUSA, I am honored & blessed you are here to celebrate this special milestone with me. Please note this year once a month we will be doing a raffle to \$30 towards tuition to commemorate this special occasion. My staff and I are glad you are all here. This is our monthly newsletter, "The DanceStar". We will send this out via email once a month. This will keep you up on all dates and things going on in the studio. Here's to another great year of dance!

WOOHOO, WE HAVE A NEW HOME!!

That's right, MFDUSA has another location! Our NEW sister studio, MFDUSA East, is located in Moriches at 225 Montauk Highway, Moriches, NY 11955.

The phone number is 631-909-3329.

So, long story short, Miss Michelle took over another existing studio and has blessed it with the

RED, WHITE & BLUE!

We are so excited to have them join our MFDUSA Family. If you are over there, you will see some familiar faces too!

COSTUME DEPOSITS - Costume deposits will be automatically deducted using the credit cards on file on October 15th. It is \$50 per costume for both boys and girls. Costume balances are due by the end of January. You will receive an email with the balance. It will be deducted automatically on the due date, unless you would like to use another form of payment.

Tuition Policy & Procedures

We follow the school year, so your tuition is based on a 10-month year. All tuition is due by the 1st of the month. We require that all accounts be on an automatic payment with a credit card. Payments will be deducted on the 1st of the month. If declined, we will run the credit cards again on the 10th of the month. There will be an automatic email sent out if you are declined and you will have until the 10th to resolve. After the 10th, there is a \$15 late fee. Late fees will not be removed. You have the option of paying with cash, check or another card (besides the one on file) at any time before any payments are due. This can be done in person, on the phone or via our website. You can log into your account at any time to make a payment or change the card on file. Just go to our website, www.mfdanceusa.com, go to the "Online Registration" tab on the top and log in with the email you have on file.

The registration fee is due once a year and is NON-REFUNDABLE. If for some reason you discontinue class, your June tuition is refundable up until January 1, 2023, as long as there are no other balances on your account. Costumes deposits are non-refundable.

INSTAGRAM & FACEBOOK

Please follow us on Social Media! We are always posting important information, as well as fun videos of what's happening at the studio daily! The links can be found on the Home page of the website.

BRING A FRIEND WEEK – OCT. 17th-22nd

It is not too late to register for Dance and remember...Dance Friends are the best friends! If you bring a friend to class and they register, your account gets credited 1 month tuition (valued at \$60)!

HALLOWEEN WEEK...

IS APPROACHING FAST! THIS IS ONE OF MY FAVORITE HOLIDAYS. WE WILL CELEBRATE BY DRESSING UP FOR CLASS; WHETHER IT'S A COSTUME OR JUST ORANGE AND BLACK. WE USUALLY CELEBRATE THE LAST 15 MINUTES OF CLASS WITH DIFFERENT GOODIES AND GAMES. PARENTS, YOU MAY BRING IN YOUR OWN TREATS IF YOU WOULD LIKE. IF YOUR CHILD HAS ALLERGIES, PLEASE LET THEIR TEACHER KNOW. YOUR CHILD DOES NOT HAVE TO DRESS UP IF THEY DO NOT WANT TO. HALLOWEEN WEEK WILL BEGIN MONDAY, OCTOBER 24TH AND END ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29TH. WE WILL BE CLOSED ON HALLOWEEN. **HAVE A SAFE AND FUN HOLIDAY!**

NEED DANCE SHOES & APPAREL? Visit our online store at Discount Dance! Our teacher/studio code #133643. Follow the link below. We have our class attire requirement lists posted for each class. By shopping with our studio code you are supporting the studio!

<https://www.discountdance.com/index.php>

FUNDRAISING CORNER!

Please note that Fundraisers are open to **EVERYONE** at the studio. A percentage of your sales will be added to your account.

Mum orders are all in and will be delivered 9/29.

Coming in October:

1. Turkey Bowl boxes will open 10/1
2. Chipotle, PJS-10/3 from 5pm-9pm
3. Clothing Drive 10/22-Coram
4. Halloween Scream & Trunk or Treat-10/22

Coming in November:

1. Panera-11/1
2. Poinsettia Sale starts 11/1 & Delivered 12/6
3. Turkey Bowl Football Boxes continue
4. Card Box Fundraiser

OCTOBER IS BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

Let's show our support for Breast Cancer Awareness Month by wearing **PINK** every day!



Support our Breast Cancer Bake Sale every Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday & Saturday during the month of October.

MFDUSA Breast Cancer Awareness T-shirts are on sale for \$20. Order forms due by Fri. 9/23.

All proceeds go to Breast Cancer Awareness.

We will walk For A Cure for Breast Cancer on Sunday, October 1st at 10am at Grangabel Park, Main St./Peconic Ave., Riverhead.

HOLIDAY PERFORMANCES

One of my favorite times of the year is coming up! The Holiday Performance shows!!! The Longwood Character Breakfast and Brookhaven Tree Lighting. We are still working out the details with Longwood and will get everyone an update just as soon as we have the details! This is open to ALL dancers ages 6 & up. Don't miss out on the fun! Rehearsals will be on Saturdays and Sundays. The Longwood Character Breakfast will be Saturday, December 10th at Longwood Middle School, located on Longwood Road. The Brookhaven Tree Lighting is in December at the Brookhaven Ecology Center. Performance locations and times will be posted.

***Once we have all the details, sign up will be at the desk to participate**

STUDIO CALENDAR

WE ARE OPEN MONDAY, OCTOBER 10TH FOR COLUMBUS DAY.

THE CALENDAR IS LOCATED ON THE FRONT PAGE OF THE WEBSITE AND COPIES ARE AVAILABLE AT THE STUDIO.

DRESS CODE

At this time we would like to remind everyone to check the dress code! Please see the website if you are unsure. Ballet: hair up, black leotard, pink tights and NO colored bras and NO shorts!

*Just a reminder that if you are a hip-hop or break dancer, please bring another pair of sneakers with you. You are coming in with the dirt from the outside and it's not fair for the next class, especially if it's jazz and they have to sit on the floor and stretch and get sand all over them. Thank you for your cooperation!

Keep up the good work

And keep on dancing!

Miss Michelle

MEASURING

Students will start to get measured during class by the end of October. If your child has not been measured by the end of November, please let the desk know.

We will need the shirt and pant sizes for all hip-hop classes, as well as all boys. Please see the desk and let us know.

Parents and students-please check with the desk to make sure you are in the correct classes. Please make sure you let us know which classes you will be doing for recital. We want to make sure that you are ordered the correct costumes.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!!!!

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 9/3.....KYLIE EMIN
9/4.....OLIVIA VARLAND, CELINA FAKHRO,
PAYTON CARRIERI, LACEY MAAS, BRIE MULLALY
9/5.....JESSIE MENDES
9/6.....PENELOPE SPANIOLAS
9/8.....JUNE DUGAN, DEVIN & DYLAN ZIMMERMAN
9/9.....LINNEA LOUGLIN, JAYLA PURCELL, TAYLOR MARKOWITZ
9/12.....MEGAN MASSARO, HALEY SCATURRO, RYLEIGH ROBERTSON
9/13.....PAIGE MULLALY
9/14.....ALEX MENDES, OLIVIA FLAGG, LILIANNA KESSLER
9/16.....NIKAYLA HEALEY, TINA BLANK
9/17.....AVA STEPHENSON, SKYELAR STRONG,
ELIZABETH LUPERENA, MISS EMILY
9/19.....KAYLA REGO, BROOKLYN CORAL
9/22.....AVA LOMBARDI, ALANNA TRIONFO,
LILANA TAMBERINO, HOLLY LYNCH, ANNA HARLEY,
PAISLEY MACKIE
9/23.....RYLIE PARSONS
9/24.....ARIANNA GRAEBE
9/26.....MADISON ULSHEIMER
9/27..... FIONA OSBORN
9/29.....AVA NIELSEN, ANJALI SOOKNANAN,
GABRIELLE ALEXANDER-SCHMID

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

- 10/1.....JULIA BANCROFT
10/2.....ANNALISE MEEHAN
10/3.....ELLIANNA DIAZ
10/5.....ELLEN YANTSOS
10/6.....SHIARENEE LAKE, MIA RANIERI
10/7.....CHARLIE RAE QUINN
10/8.....SKYLAR COUSINS
10/9.....AVA TAVAREZ
10/10.....MALIN DELANEY
10/11.....PAIGE HURLEY, MACKENZIE MALONEY, AUDREY FRETTO
10/12.....RYLEIGH QUINN
10/15.....MAILE THOMPSON
10/16.....AYAAN GEER, NORAH ABDELLA
10/18.....MAXINE EVERS
10/19..... MISS DANIELLA
10/22.....COLTEN GRACE
10/23.....RILEY LEWIS, BRIANNE MEEHAN
10/25.....STELLA CRESSER
10/26.....HARPER SPENCE
10/30.....LINA LAGRAVINESE, LILY PITKA, AVERY KOCH
10/31.....SOPHIA TETZLAFF