

MORITA'S SCHOOL OF DANCE

JANURAY/FEBRUARY 2019

NEWSLETTER

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Ava M.	Elizabeth E.
Avery D.	Gabby S.
Audrey S.	Haleigh D.
Tammie C.	Isabella M.
Brooklyn W.	Mia C.
Emma W.	Julia H.
Phebe D.	

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Banalata P.
Peyton D.
Genevieve M.
Sophia L.
Macee L.
Drew Y.
Lucy S.
Cassandra B.
Makayla B.
Olivia W.
Wolfgang B.
Clover K.



Happy Birthday!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- January 5th - Classes Resume
- January 6th - Maine Dance Teachers Workshop #3
- January 21st - Classes WILL be held (Martin Luther King Jr. Day)
- February 1st - Keys to the City - Dueling Pianos Evening
- February 2nd - CLI Master Class
- February 3rd - Maine Dance Teachers Workshop #4
- February 18th-24th - No Classes - February Vacation
 - February 27th-March 1st - Young Americans Workshop
 - March 10th - Stars Dance Team Showcase
 - March 23rd - UMaine Dance Team Clinic
 - March 29th-31st - Elite Dance Challenge Competition

WEATHER-RELATED CLOSINGS/SNOW DAY POLICY

Winter weather has finally arrived, which means the studio may need to close due to inclement weather and road conditions. We will post all studio closings on the studio Facebook page, and we will send an e-mail out studio wide. (If you have not provided us an e-mail yet, please do so as soon as possible to receive studio notices.) We do not follow the Hermon, Dover Foxcroft or Old Town School District's school closings, so even though school may be cancelled your child may still have class. We ask that you please check your e-mail and/or Facebook page if bad weather is in or approaching the area, rather than calling.

If your child's class is cancelled due to inclement weather, we will make up that class either by scheduling a different day for classes to happen or by having your child attend a different class.

YOUNG AMERICANS WORKSHOP

Don't miss out on this exciting and educational performing arts workshop! The Young Americans are coming back to Maine, and are holding a 3-day workshop at Bangor High School! The workshop starts at 3:15 each day, and is scheduled for February 27th-March 1st! It's \$59 to attend, and that includes your performance shirt. To register, visit www.youngamericans.org/us. Help spread the word to anyone in grades 3rd-12th!

The Young Americans workshop brings a combination of energy, teamwork, and confidence, using music and dance as the tool. Their workshop includes everything from vocal and dance to full stage performance! After 3 days of instruction, it's show time! The Young Americans cast performs the first act, and then you take the stage for the second act.

This workshop is a wonderful experience, and we highly encourage you to attend!

UMAINE DANCE TEAM CLINIC

Due to the snowstorm that hit Maine on January 20th, The University of Maine Dance Team Dance Clinic has been rescheduled until March 23rd. If you didn't get a chance to register for the clinic the first time around, or if the original date didn't work for you, now is your chance to attend! Dancers from grades 3-12 are invited to take jazz, hip hop, and lyrical/contemporary classes from the wonderful team members and their coaches, and we highly encourage everyone to attend. The clinic is \$30 for the clinic, and dancers who register by February 28th will receive a clinic t-shirt. If you register after the 28th, any extra t-shirts will be handed out to dancers in the order their registration is received. This clinic is always a fun day – you won't regret going!!

Register for this clinic online at <https://umainedanceteamclinic2019.eventbrite.com>.

STARS DANCE TEAM SHOWCASE

The Stars Dance Team will be holding their annual Dance Team Showcase at Peakes Auditorium on Sunday, March 10th at 3:30pm! We'd like to invite all of our studio family to come support your fellow dancers as they perform the routines they'll be taking to the Elite Dance Challenge Competition in Westbrook, and the Turn It Up Dance Challenge Competition in Biddeford! Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for students (18 years and younger). All tickets will be sold at the door.

51ST ANNUAL SPRING RECITAL

Morita's School of Dance is very excited to announce our 51st Annual Dance Recital weekend is set for May 17th-19th at Peakes Auditorium, Bangor High School. We will have rehearsals and shows all three of those dates. All dancers are expected to perform during our recital weekend.

More information will be provided as more details are figured out, so keep watch in your monthly newsletters and any handouts/emails sent. Information about our annual recital will also be posted on our website at <http://moritasschoolofdance.com/annual-recital---2019.html>.