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A dance studio for everyone!

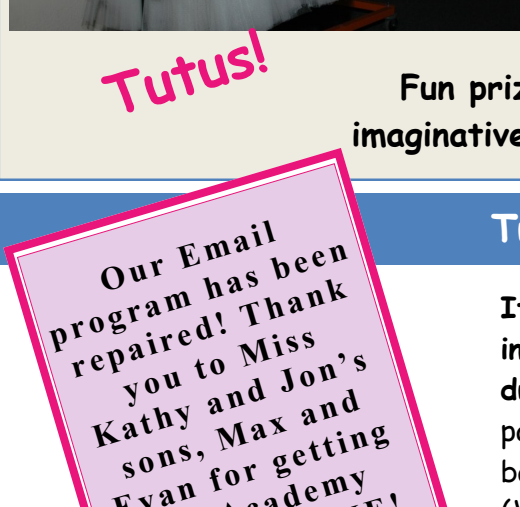
Yuma Ballet Academy

National Tutu Day Wednesday February 2nd

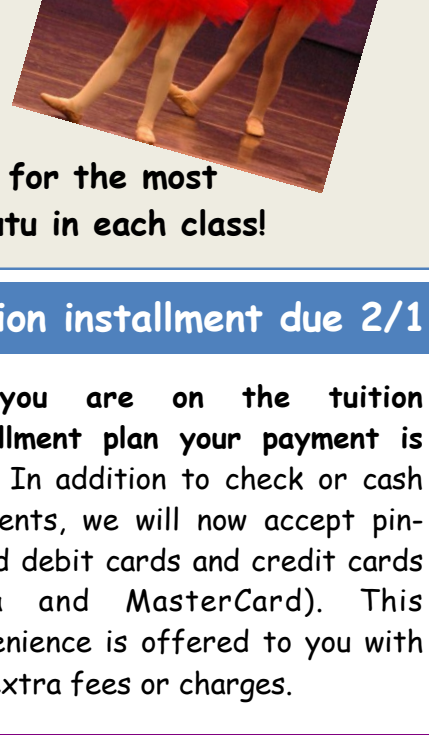
Newsletter - February 2011

Wear your tutu to the Academy on this fun day!

All types of tutus are allowed: regular, bun and finger



Tutus!



Fun prizes for the most imaginative tutu in each class!

Our Email program has been repaired! Thank you to Miss Kathy and Jon's sons, Max and Evan for getting the Academy back ON LINE!

Tuition installment due 2/1

If you are on the tuition installment plan your payment is due. In addition to check or cash payments, we will now accept pin-based debit cards and credit cards (Visa and MasterCard). This convenience is offered to you with NO extra fees or charges.

Etudes & Excerpts

All Academy Students will be featured in the end of the year performance on **Saturday, June 4th**

Information and forms have been emailed and will be handed out in classes this week.

Save this important day for your dancer!

Yuma Investment Group Wealth Management



Invites you to Ballet Yuma's Art for the Heart

Dinner & Wine Gala Event

Featuring live & silent auctions, live entertainment, and a special performance by Ballet Yuma!

Friday, February 11, from 7 to 11pm

at AWC's Conference Center

call (928) 446-6085 for tickets & information

In support of Ballet Yuma, Yuma Investment Group Wealth Management will present the fourth annual 'Art for the Heart' gala event. The festive Valentine's related event will feature fine dining, decadent desserts, a variety of wines, a silent auction, live entertainment, and a special performance by Ballet Yuma company dancers. All proceeds will go to benefit Ballet Yuma.

Tickets are \$85 per couple, \$45 individually and are available at (928) 446-6085

Items obtainable in the silent auction will include a variety of works of art which are the inspiration for the 'Art' portion of the event's title. Art items include paintings, photography, and sculpture ranging from familiar and intriguing framed prints to original works donated by accomplished local artists. Many local merchants and patrons have also donated intriguing non-artwork items to be included in the annually anticipated Art for the Heart auction.

CALENDAR 2011 Spring semester

January 3	Classes resume
January 12	Spring semester begins
January 17	MLK Holiday - Academy closed
February 21	Presidents Day - we will be OPEN on this day to make up for being closed on Monday, FEB 28th due to RDA Adjudication
February 28	CLOSED due to RDA Adjudication
March 21-26	Parent observation week
March 28-	
April 3	Spring Break - Academy closed
May 16-19	RDA week - Academy closed
May 30	Memorial Day - we WILL have class!
June 2	Last day of spring semester
June 3-4	Etudes & Excerpts Academy rehearsal and performance

Q & A - What every parent should know...

How do I help my dancer when they feel that they are not improving?

- In our fast-paced society, we have found ways to speed up almost everything. Fortunately (or unfortunately) there are a few things that can't be sped up and as this is unusual our patience is often tested. Dance skills, just like nature, can't be rushed. Ballet is just too difficult and demanding to expect immediate skill. True ballet grace is only achieved through constant work, time and training, and as with other beautiful art forms, what we see as spectators is the culmination of arduous effort, extensive learning, and talent honed through dedication and patience.



On time and ready for class!

- Your child can only improve if they come to all their classes regularly and on time. Often students have the ability to do well but, for various reasons, miss a lot of classes. Sometimes this is the main reason that they do not advance, and do not accomplish what they are capable of. It also gives the idea that they are not serious students and are not really interested. So it is very important for them to attend all of their classes.

Questions or comments? E-mail us at academyba@roadrunner.com or call 928-314-4762

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