

Happy Spooky Season MZ!!!

Miranda's birthday Masquerade Ball This Sunday!

It's Ms. Miranda's birthday Masquerade Ball this **Sunday 6-8pm** at the studio. Dress up and wear a mask. Miranda is making pasta for everyone. Kids and adults are invited. Especially our dance teams. Your presence is gift enough, but if you'd like to get her a little something, Here is her Amazon Wishlist link.

[Miranda's Amazon Wish List](#)

❖ **Halloween Party!**

The most exciting thing coming up is the return of our HUGE Halloween party! The party will be on Saturday night **October 24th at 7pm**. This is also a student choreography showcase where the students get the opportunity to Choreograph and perform their own spooky dances or circus acts. The sign-up sheet will be put up in studio A this week.

This is also a dance party and costume contest for all ages! We will have homemade treats and libations for adults 🍫 🍷 🍹 🍸 🍹 This will be a donations and cash tips kind of party/fundraiser! Teams will be bringing extra treats. It's a great party to dance with your kids and make some great memories. Don't miss it, it's the highlight of our year!

❖ **Wear Halloween Costume To Class Week**

Halloween week will start **Monday October 26th through Saturday the 31st**. Students can all wear their Halloween costumes (or old dance costumes) to their dance classes and trick or treat at the end of class. (They will still need their dance shoes)

❖ **We will be open on Halloween 🎃 since classes are in the morning.** How fun!

❖ **January Showcase costume FYI**

We are finalizing what your child will need for costumes for the January show right now. We will put up a list with all the details and links on the website by Halloween weekend. We keep prices lower for the January show and utilize websites like Amazon for quick shipping and ease.

❖ **Dunedin Holiday Parade**

In November we will start learning our parade routine for the Dunedin Holiday Parade on **December 12th**. This year's theme is baking Christmas cookies!

❖ **Festival of the Trees**

Save the date for Sunday at 1:00 on November 22nd for our "Festival of the Trees" performance at the Long Center. Select dance classes will be asked to perform that are ready. Stay tuned to see if your child's class will be performing.

❖ **MZ Performance Company**

Congratulations to our newest team members this year- Maya Jawad, Ava Robles, Bowie Brussow, Sienna Bonanno and Talia Baker. We are excited to watch you grow this season!

❖ Policy updates

- I need at least 3 students to run a class. Anything less and it will be paused by Miranda or we can treat it like a private if you wish, and drop it to 30 mins where you pay the \$35 per class or split it as a duet.
- If your child is the only one that shows up for a class (rare but it does happen), we will do it as a 30 min private with no extra charge from your monthly tuition.
- Any drops after October 1st will be charged the drop fee going forward.
- I need all students in their proper shoes for class. Especially jazz shoes. It can be slippery doing turns which is dangerous and they can't learn any steps properly.
- I will start having kids sit out and watch and take notes for not having the right shoes starting in October. Parents, always check their dance bag before you leave the house, or if they come from school, make sure they have their shoes.
- Hair must always be pulled back, no denim for class and dress code needs to be followed. You can read and view photo examples of what they're supposed to be wearing on our website. We have new and used items for sale at our merch wall if you need any dance clothes.
[MZ Dance Company Dress Code](#)
- Personal space- parents are always welcome to watch class of course, but please don't move any chairs or ever yell to your child during class. We know you just want to help, but trust us, we've got this!
- Oh, and if you take some good pictures, send them to us!
- If you need to pass through a class to use the restrooms, always wait for permission from the instructor so you do not interrupt the students focus. It's just the polite thing to do in the dance world. You all are great people, thank you so much for reading my updated policies.

Show Dates for the year

-Winter Showcase- Saturday January 16th, with in studio dress rehearsal January 15th. Closed Monday January 18th on MLK day.

-Spring Recital- Saturday June 12th, with onstage dress rehearsal in the Theater on June 11th.