

# Jamie Masters School Of Dance, Ltd.

## Winter 2017 Newsletter

*Thank you for being a part of our dance program and for sharing your children with us! We are delighted that you have chosen our studio for your child's dance training. Our goal is to exceed your expectations, so please let us know if there is any way we can enhance your dancing experience. Please check the parent information bulletin board for important and interesting news while you are in the studio. The most comprehensive and up to date information can be found on our website.*

### **POLICIES / DATES TO REMEMBER:**

- **Spring Break: No Classes Monday, April 10 through Sunday, April 16. Classes resume on Monday, April 17<sup>th</sup>**
- We do not close the studio for teacher workdays.
- Unless a Drop/Add card has been completed for your child, you will be responsible for paying tuition each month, even if your child has not been attending dance.
- For the safety and health of our students and staff, please do not send your child to class if there is an indication of fever or flu-like symptoms.
- All classes start and end at the published class times. However, teachers may take a few minutes at either the beginning or end of class to take care of administrative duties such as taking roll, addressing parent questions, making announcements, etc.
- Inclement weather - Check our Website ([www.jamimastersschoolofdance.com](http://www.jamimastersschoolofdance.com)) or Twitter (DanceJMSD) to learn of our decision for classes that day. You may also call the studio at 704-525-6555 for a recorded message.

### **SUMMER PROGRAMS:**

- **P.I.T. Camps:** Camps for children two to three years old are Princess in Training Camps. These camps are 9:30 to 11:30. Campers will experience art, acrobatics, dance, dress-up, and music.
- **3 - 8 Year Old Camps:** Children three to eight years old are welcome to register for week long day camps that vary in theme. JMSD offers camp themes: "Frozen", "Elena of Avalor", "Swan Lake", and "Sofia the First". Each day students will discover art, acrobatics, dance, music, and theater. On Friday at 12:00, there is a performance for parents to show you what the campers have been working on!
- **1st - 3rd Grade Camps:** Students who are a rising 1st through 3rd grader also have week long camps at JMSD. From 2:00 to 5:00 campers come to explore: Acrobatics, Cheerdance, Ballet, Hip Hop, and Jazz. On the Friday of this camp, campers will have a performance at 4:00 to show what they have learned from the week.
- **Summer Technique:** Dancers who are a rising 4th grader and up are welcome to come to our drop in summer technique classes. Summer class disciplines include: Ballet, Body Conditioning and Stretch, Contemporary, Hip Hop, Jazz, Lyrical, Modern, Pointe, and Tap. Students are welcome to pay as they come (\$18.00 per class) or students can purchase a *Ten Class Drop In Card* (\$150.00 per card).
- **Inspired Summer Intensive:** Inspired summer intensive is for students 8 years old and up. This intensive is for any student who loves dance! This intensive is from July 28th through the 30th. Students learn combinations, audition processes, and there is a performance on Sunday to show the audition pieces and other combinations that the students have learned through the weekend. During the show, awards will be given out. Students will also learn a special dance for National Dance Day and perform it!

### **COSTUME WEEK:**

Students will receive their costumes (if your account balance is up to date) and recital instructions during their classes the week of March 27th. Your child's costume will be held in the office if your account is not current. You can pick up your child's costume when your account is up to date.

## **SPRING CONCERT–SATURDAY, May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2017 – Dana Auditorium at Queens University**

The Spring Concert, our wonderful celebration of our dance year together, will be held on Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup>. Dress rehearsals will be held at Dana Auditorium during the week before the Spring Concert. The Spring Concert is not required, but highly recommended, as it is a great experience for the children. The costume balance will be due March 1<sup>st</sup>.

## **OUR WEBSITE: [www.jamimastersschoolofdance.com](http://www.jamimastersschoolofdance.com)**

Studio and class information is listed there. You can also follow us on Twitter at DanceJMSD, Facebook at Jami Masters School of Dance, Ltd, and Instagram at JMSD5678. In addition to our children and teen programs, we offer adult classes in Ballet, Tap, and Contemporary/Modern. All information is on the website: Teacher Bio's, Online Payments, Registration, and Studio Policies are all available.

## **CUSTOMER PORTAL: <http://www.jamimastersschoolofdance.com/customer-portal.html>**

We have upgraded our software so that as a Jami Masters' School of Dance client, you can access all of your account information through our Customer Portal. After you are enrolled in a class or camp, you will be able to use the Customer Portal. You will create a Customer Portal account by inputting the email address and password you provided on the online registration form. If you registered by mail or in person, please click "forgot password" and a temporary password will be emailed to you. Once registered, you are able to log in to your account to view and print your schedule, update credit card or bank account information and look at account transactions.

## **TUITION:**

Tuition for lessons is based on the school year. Tuition can be paid online from our website, automatic drafts, check, credit card or cash. It is due on the 1<sup>st</sup> of each month - September through May. A \$15 late fee will be added if payment is not received by the 10<sup>th</sup>. Statements will be emailed the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of every month to those accounts NOT setup for automatic monthly payments. We offer the convenience of paying your tuition with your credit card, check, or draft of your credit card or checking account. If you choose the bank draft, please send us a voided check and we will draft your account on the 1<sup>st</sup>. For credit card draft, please complete the form with that information. All of this information can be entered from your customer portal also. The annual fee is based on the length of the weekly class(es). A technique class such as ballet, jazz, or tap taken as a second class has a reduced rate. If you withdraw from a class or make a change in classes, please notify us in writing by using an ADD/DROP card available in the studio lobby. Missed classes may be made up. Please check with your instructor for an appropriate class to attend for a make-up. The tuition is the same each month, regardless of the number of classes held in that month.

## **CLASS ATTIRE:**

Dancers may wear any color or style of leotard and tights to most classes. Laces and/or ribbons should be tucked into the ballet slippers. Do not wear dangling earrings, necklaces, bracelets, etc. into class. Hair should be neat, away from your face. Older students should wear a cover-up when arriving/departing the studio. Boys should wear a white T-shirt and black short, pants or tights. We request that the **Ballet Technique** students wear black leotard and pink tights with their hair in a bun. The **Jazz Technique** students wear black jazz pants, leggings or bike shorts with a leotard (any color). **Hip Hop** student's knees must be covered and black & white Chuck Taylor sneakers, which are worn only in class. **Modern** students need to have a leotard (any color), tights or fitted pants, no shorts. **Acrobatics** students are to wear a leotard of any color or design. No shorts or pants. We have a fully stocked dance shop, which carries all necessary dancewear and shoes. Bring your own water bottle if you need hydration during your class.

## **REGISTRATION FOR 2017-2018:**

Registration for the 2017 - 2018 school year will be open on Monday, March 13th, 2017. Please log into your Customer Portal to register for your classes.

*I sincerely hope you have enjoyed your time in dance class with us. Let me know if there is anything we can do to make your dance experience more enjoyable.*

*Jami Masters*