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The TDR Staff wishes you and yours a wonderful Thanksgiving holiday. We hope you are able to spend time with family, friends, and loved ones.

**We will be closed on
Thursday, November 23rd ONLY**

**We ARE OPEN for All classes on
Wed. 11/22, Fri. 11/24 and Sat. 11/25**



Join The Dance Refinery in helping the annual

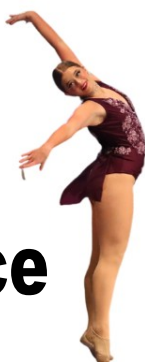


We are collecting **new, unwrapped toys** for the WRTV Toy Drive! WRTV partners with local businesses to be sure each toy goes to a child in need.

**Follow TDR
on Instagram!**



@tdrdance



**Bring your donations to The Dance Refinery by
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7TH**

Collection boxes will be in the lobby of
The Dance Refinery beginning November 1st!

RECITAL 2024

COSTUME DEPOSITS

The office will continue accepting costume deposits this month. We have found it helpful to offer a payment plan to conveniently spread out this expense. Costume deposits are **OPTIONAL**.

Estimated costume costs are \$150-\$180 per costume. (This includes everything but your shoes). \$50 - \$60 (per month) in November and December is suggested, though any amount is acceptable.

When making a deposit, please use a separate check. Put your child's first and last name as well as "costume deposit" in the notation space on the check. If there is money left in your account after paying your costume fees, it will be credited to your February Tuition- it is like a built-in savings account!

* Please hand your check to the office staff. **DO NOT** put it in the tuition drop box.



RECITAL PARTICIPATION FORMS

Parents will be given a **RECITAL PARTICIPATION FORM** in November to fill out and return to the office by **December 9** indicating whether your child will or will not participate. The staff uses the Holiday break to plan the recital, so it is very important that we know **BEFORE BREAK** whether or not your child will be participating. **Students who wish to participate in the Recital must be registered by December 7th, 2023 at 9:00pm when the office closes.**



ORDERING COSTUMES

Costume Week is **Jan. 2-8, 2024**. A responsible adult **MUST** be present during the child's regular class time to **select a costume size, fill out the order form, receive recital information and pay for costumes**. Costumes must be **paid in FULL by Jan. 8th at 9pm**. We cannot guarantee we will be able to place any orders after January 8 due to shipping turn around times. We will have to check with the individual costume companies to verify ship dates & ensure we can get it before Recital.

Any costume we are able to order after **Jan. 8** will have an additional ordering fee.

CONGRATULATIONS

TDR 10 YEAR STUDENTS!

REAGAN AINSWORTH

LOCKLAN GARDNER

AUDREY IAMS

CHARLIE LAGE

JACOB WILLIAMS



According to our records, these are the students who will be celebrating their 10th Recital with TDR! **If you think 2024 may be your 10th Recital and you don't see your name listed, please come see Alyssa at the front office ASAP!**

DATE RECAP!

Nov. – Dec.

Dec. 9

Jan. 2-8

Jan. 8

Costume deposits accepted

Dance students measured in class and Gladiator / Tumbling students measured in the office when you turn in your Recital Participation Form

Recital Participation Form due

Costume Week

Costumes must be paid in full by 9:00 p.m.

Visit THE DANCE DEPOT for all of your Holiday Shopping needs!

LEOTARD SALE!!!

All TDR Families will receive an additional 10% off all leotards in the month of November!

- Recreational Dance & Tumbling students will now get **20% OFF** in total!
- Performing Group & Gymnastics Team students will now get **30% OFF** in total!

SALE!

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**AVOID THE LONG LINES THIS HOLIDAY SEASON...
STOP BY THE DANCE DEPOT TO PURCHASE THE PERFECT GIFT FOR YOUR
FAVORITE DANCER, GYMNAST, OR GLADIATOR!!**

All sales final—No Refunds!

**Hair Bows
Leotards
TDR Spirit Wear**



**Dance Shoes
Gladiator Apparel
Dance Bags**

BE ON THE LOOK OUT!

TDR ONLINE SPIRITWEAR STORE -- COMING SOON!

CUSTOM TDR APPAREL, DANCE BAGS, BOYS GLADIATOR UNIFORMS, ETC WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE ONLINE FOR A LIMITED TIME! THESE ITEMS MAKE THE PERFECT GIFT THIS HOLIDAY SEASON!! AN EMAIL WILL BE SENT SOON WITH MORE DETAILS AND ORDERING DEADLINES!

THE DANCE DEPOT HOURS 2023-2024

Mon. – Thurs.
4:30 - 9:00 p.m.

Friday
CLOSED

Saturday
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Sunday
CLOSED

TDR OFFICE HOURS 2023-2024

Mon. – Thurs.
4:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Friday
4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Saturday
9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Sunday
CLOSED

THE DANCE REFINERY - REFERRAL PROGRAM -

- ★ The **current** student receives a one time **\$40 credit** on monthly tuition (after the new student has paid in full for two full months of class).
- ★ A **new** student is defined as one who has NEVER been enrolled at The Dance Refinery. The new student will receive **HALF OFF** the Registration fee and a **one time 10% discount at The Dance Depot**.
- ★ In order to receive your credit for the current Fall/Winter/Spring Session, referred students must be registered by **April 1st**. Due to the short length of the Summer Session, we do not offer the referral program in the Summer. If a new student starts in the summer, we will honor the referral credit when re-enrolling for the next Fall/Winter/Spring session.
- ★ The Referral form **MUST** be turned in at Registration by the new family. You are allowed only one referral **PER NEW FAMILY**.

Thank you to the following TDR families and staff that have referred friends and family to The Dance Refinery!

The Barnhart Family, Raylee Bunnell, Kaiyen Gonzalez-Ellet,
Hallie Halcomb, The Ide Family, Kortni James, Sophia Kurtz, Zoe Loomis,
Sophia Magana, Aliya Powell, Ellie Price, Courtney Wright,
Patrishia Luzietti

Please come to the office and speak to an office employee about how to obtain your referral credit. Thanks for the referrals and keep them coming!

SCHEDULE A TRIAL CLASS!

Trial classes at The Dance Refinery were created for

1. Students wanting to try a new style of dance or a gymnastics class they have NEVER taken before.
2. Students who are completely NEW to our studio!

All trial classes must be scheduled in advance through the TDR office (and may not be scheduled during a watch week).



TDR TECH CORNER

We have wifi extenders throughout the building! If you are having trouble connecting to the wifi, please see the office!

REMINDER:

During inclement weather, we make every effort to stay open. If you, as a parent / guardian, do not wish to brave inclement conditions, call and let us know. We will gladly help you determine an appropriate make up class for your child. TDR does NOT follow any school corporation when there are weather related closings.



Look or listen for TDR weather closings on:

*PHONE (VOICEMAIL): 317-881-1905

*WEBSITE: www.TheDanceRefinery.com

*INSTAGRAM: @TDRdance



*EMAIL: Info regarding weather closures will also be sent through email (to the email address provided on your current registration form). If you are not currently receiving monthly emails from the TDR Office, please let us know so we can double check the email address you have on file.

SCHEDULING A MAKE-UP LESSON!

If you miss your normal class throughout the week, you are able to take a make-up lesson on a different day (in the same level, or age level / genre of class). Anyone that needs to take a make-up lesson **MUST** schedule their lesson with the front office. We are only allowing

TWO people to take a make-up lesson during a class at a time, and make-up lessons cannot happen during a watch week. Scheduling through the office will help us regulate class size and be sure your make-up lessons are accurately recorded. Please email or call the front office with any questions regarding the TDR make-up policy or to schedule your make-up lesson! If you miss a scheduled make-up lesson (without calling in advance to re-schedule), we will consider the make up taken and you will not be able to schedule another one. Note- all make-up lessons must be taken by the end of the session in June. If you drop at any point throughout the session, you forfeit any make-up lessons that have been accrued and not made up.

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COMPETITIVE / RECREATIONAL PERFORMING GROUP INFORMATION

Please use your Picnic Notes Packet (handed out on July 24th) as a reference for all PG Information!

CONTEST FEE INSTALLMENTS:

Installments are due by the 20th of each month (starting in September). Please refer to your Performing Group Picnic Packet for the amount you need to pay. If you have any questions, please leave a message for Alyssa in the office. (You may pay towards your account at any time during the month. However, payments must be on a separate check from tuition.). As a reminder, contest fees must be paid for with cash or check only.

BIRTH CERTIFICATES:

We need **NEW** Performing Group Members to bring in your birth certificate.



See below for Regional Small Group entry fees!

MANDATORY REHEARSALS:

Conflicts for the Mandatory Rehearsals were due in the office by **September 1, 2023**

AIM SR Rehearsals: Jan. 7, Jan. 14, Jan. 21

AIM Teen / Pre-Teen Rehearsals: Jan. 7 OR 14, Feb. 4, Feb. 11

AIM II Rehearsals: Jan. 21, Feb. 4, Feb. 11, Feb. 18, Feb. 25, Mar. 3

Acro PG: Dec. 15 & Jan. 20

Hip Hop PG: Dec. 17

*Additional group rehearsals (for all other Performing Groups) will be scheduled as needed!



DANCE CONVENTIONS:

All AIM SR, AIM Teen, AIM Pre-Teen, AIM II, AIM II Junior, The Definition, Acro Production, & Teen Boys are required to attend 1 convention:

Tremaine

January 26-28, 2024

Location: JW Marriott Indianapolis

Tremaine 2024 Fees: \$280 per student / \$70 per observer*

*If staying at the Host Hotel under the Tremaine Room Block, please see Special FREE Observer Band Promotion section on website.

www.tremainedance.com/winter-2023-24/Indianapolis-in/

All Tremaine fees must be paid to the TDR office no later than 12/18/23.

COMPETITIONS AND RECITAL:

TWO regional competitions and recital are **MANDATORY** for **ALL** performing groups. Please put these weekends on your calendar now and hold open the **entire weekend**.

1. Tremaine Semi-Final Competition

January 26-28, 2024

JW Marriott Indianapolis

Please Note: TDR Staff will be selecting the numbers to represent us.

2. Beyond The Stars Regional

April 19-21, 2024

Beech Grove High School

3. Groove Regional

April 26-28, 2024

Franklin Community High School

Please Note: ALL Routines must compete at the Groove Regional to qualify for Nationals.

4. Recital

June 6 - 9, 2024

TBA

5. Groove National Finals

June 24 - 28, 2024

Atlantic City, NJ @ Tropicana Casino & Resort

#TeamTDR

REGIONAL SMALL GROUP ENTRY FEES

Beyond The Stars Regionals Due to TDR by February 10, 2024

Solo = \$145.00 per routine

Duet / Trio = \$85.00 per person /
per routine

Groove Regionals Due to TDR by March 10, 2024

Solo = \$155.00 per routine

Duet / Trio = \$83.00 per person /
per routine

TDR GYMNASTICS TEAM

2023



2024

All Gymnastics Team members should have received an email on July 23rd with the updated meet schedule. Meet Fee installment amounts (contest fees) and due dates were sent out in the 2023-2024 Team Info Packet on October 4th. Please email us at thedancerefineryin@gmail.com if you do not receive this important information.

CONTEST FEE INSTALLMENTS (CFI)

Your 1st installment payment is due October 20, please see the email referenced above (sent on Oct 4) for due dates and installment amounts for this season.

***PLEASE NOTE – New for 2023-2024, all CFI payments must be made with cash or check only (no credit / debit cards or PayPal).**

2023-2024 MEET SCHEDULE

1. December 8-10: "Hoosier Cup" (Indianapolis) - All Levels
2. January 5-7: "The Star Challenge" (Greenfield, IN) - Level 3 & Xcel Silver
3. January 13-14: "Yellow Brick Road" (Indianapolis, IN) - All Levels
4. February 2-4: "Nashville Nights" (Nashville, TN) - Xcel Gold / Platinum & Levels 6-9
5. February 15-18: "Midwest Showdown" (French Lick, IN) - All Levels
6. March 1-3: "Grand Park Classic" (Westfield, IN) - All Levels

STATE MEETS

March 8-10, 2024: Level 3 (LaPorte, IN)

March 15-17, 2024: Xcel (Merrillville, IN)

March 23-24, 2024: Level 6-9 (Terre Haute, IN)

REGIONAL MEETS

April 11-14: Level 9 (Lexington, KY)

April 19-21: Level 7 (Dayton, OH)

April 26-28 Xcel Gold & Platinum (La Grange, IL)

EASTERN MEETS

May 3-5: Level 9 (Myrtle Beach, SC)

TDR 3 MONTH CALENDAR

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NOVEMBER

CLASS VIEWING

Oct. 30 - Nov. 4

Studios 3 & 6

November 6-11

Studios 4 & 5

Nov. 27 - Dec. 2

Studios 1 & 2

COSTUME DEPOSITS accepted this month! Parents can make deposits on their Recital costumes (suggested amount is \$50 - \$60 per costume / per month in November & December).

10/30-11/4 **CLASS VIEWING** - Rooms 3 & 6

1-10 November lesson payments due by the 1st of the month

5 Daylight Savings Time - Fall back 1 hour

6-11 **CLASS VIEWING** - Studios 4 & 5

7 Begin handing out Recital Participation forms (via email) - please come to the office if you need a hard copy of this packet.

TDR OPEN - Election Day

11 10% Late fee assessed on tuition not paid by the 10th

TDR OPEN - Veterans Day

20 Performing Group & Team Contest Fee Installment due in the office

23 **TDR IS CLOSED** - Thanksgiving

27 Start measuring students for costumes in all dance classes (including technique).

*Gladiator / Tumbling students interested in participating in the Recital, please come to the office to be measured.

DECEMBER

CLASS VIEWING

Nov. 27 - Dec. 2

Studios 1 & 2

December 4-9

Studios 3 & 6

December 11-16

Studios 4 & 5

Recital Participation Forms have been sent via email! Miss Lynn will be measuring all students for costumes in all dance classes. Tumbling / Gladiator students interested in participating in the Recital, please come to the office to be measured.

11/27-12/2 **CLASS VIEWING** - Studios 1 & 2

1-10 **December lesson payments due by the 1st of the month**

Costume Deposits - This can be in addition to the Oct. and Nov. deposit or a 1st costume deposit (suggested amount of deposit is \$50-\$60 per costume / per month in Oct., Nov., & Dec.)

4-9 **CLASS VIEWING** - Studios 3 & 6

8-10 "Hoosier Cup" (Indianapolis) -- Gymnastics Team Meet

9 **Recital Participation Forms due** in the front office by 9:00pm

11 10% Late Fee assessed on tuition not paid by the 10th

11-16 **CLASS VIEWING** - Studio 4 & 5

15 Acro PG Extra Rehearsal - Time TBA

16 Nutcracker Event at the Indiana Historical Society

17 Hip Hop Extra Rehearsal - TIME TBA

18 Performing Group / Team Contest Fee installments due in the TDR Office

Tremaine Convention Fees due

12/19-1/1 **Studio Closed for Holiday Break**

*NOTE- 12/19 & 12/20: AIM Elite, AIM II, & AIM Pre-Teen Daniely, AIM Pre-Teen Danner, AIM Teen, & AIM SR WILL have class at regular times!

1/2 **Classes Resume!**

1/2-1/8 **Costume Ordering Week!!**

See page 2 + the January calendar (on next page) for more info!!

REMINDER

TO ALL

PARENTS:

Costumes are ordered the week AFTER Holiday Break. A parent needs to be present during your child's regular class time to receive costume information and choose a costume size!

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JANUARY

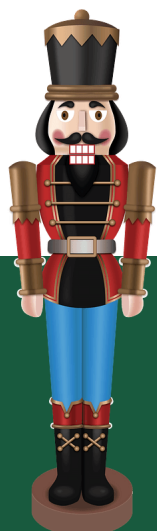
CLASS VIEWING

Jan 15-20
Studios 1 & 2

Jan 22-25
Studios 3 & 6

Jan 29-Feb 3
Studios 4 & 5

- 1 TDR Closed – Last Day of Holiday Break!
- 2-8 **CLASSES RESUME – RECITAL COSTUME ORDERING WEEK!** A parent must attend class with their child during each individual class time to receive costume ordering information (for that class), pick sizes, and order recital costumes.
- 2 **January lesson payments due by the 2nd of the month (in January only)**
No Technique Classes, AIM Elite, AIM II, or AIM Pre-Teen Daniely
- 3 No Technique Classes, AIM Pre-Teen Danner, AIM SR, AIM Teen
- 4 No Technique Classes
- 6 ALL PG classes (including required Ballet) WILL MEET today + All costume meetings for these groups will take place
- 5-8 “The Star Challenge” (Greenfield, IN) - Gymnastics Meet (Level 3 + Xcel Silver)
- 7 AIM SR, AIM Teen, & AIM Pre-Teen Mandatory Rehearsal
- 8 No Technique Classes, Beginner Pointe, & Pointe PG Classes
All COSTUMES must be paid in full by 9pm for costumes to be ordered.
- 9 Technique Classes Resume
- 11 10% Late fee assessed on tuition not paid by the 10th
- 13-14 “Yellow Brick Road” (Indianapolis, IN) - Gymnastics Meet (All Levels)
- 14 AIM, AIM Teen, & AIM Pre-Teen Mandatory Rehearsal
- 15 **OPEN** - Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day Observed
- 15-20 **CLASS VIEWING** - Studios 1 & 2
- 20 Performing Group / Team Contest Fee Installments Due in the TDR Office
Mode Dion make up orders due in the TDR Office
Mandatory Acro PG Rehearsal – Time TBA
- 21 AIM SR, AIM Teen, AIM Pre-Teen, & AIM II Mandatory Rehearsal
- 22-25 **CLASS VIEWING** - Studios 3 & 6
- 26-28 Tremaine Convention & Competition (Indianapolis, IN)
- 29-2/3 **CLASS VIEWING** – Studios 4 & 5



Festival of Trees

INDIANA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

November 10 - January 6th

TO PURCHASE TICKETS:

<https://indianahistory.org/events/festival-of-trees/>

THE SWEET EXPERIENCE

The Dane Refinery is excited to be a part of “The Sweet Experience” at the Indiana Historical Society’s Festival of Trees on **December 16th!** Join Clara and her friends for a morning of sweet treats, holiday crafts, a story reading, and vignettes from the Nutcracker. Participants will have the opportunity for an exclusive photo with Clara and the Nutcracker as well as a reserved VIP seat at the 1:00 p.m. Nutcracker performance (performed by members of TDR Performing Groups)

YOU CAN PURCHASE TICKETS TO “THE SWEET EXPERIENCE” (and get more information) by going to:
<https://indianahistory.org/events/the-sweet-experience/>

We will also be doing an additional performance of The Nutcracker at 3:00 p.m. for general guests of the Festival of Trees - those admission tickets can be purchased by going to: <https://indianahistory.org/events/nutcracker-vignettes-by-the-dance-refinery/>

We hope to see you there!