



*Deborah Case Dance Academy is committed to teaching the artistic, physical, and intellectual needs of all dancers in a safe and nurturing environment.*

## AUGUST, 2019

*Welcome back to all students returning from the summer!  
Your DCDA Team and I hope you are ready  
for "lights, camera, and action" as we prepare  
for the **Winter Recital** and **The Nutcracker!***

*Key to success is to be consistent in class attendance. Repetition is the "Mother of skill!" Don't let anything get in your way of being the best you in Dance!*

*"Achieving a dream is about more than just what you accomplish.  
It's about who you become in the process!"*

### **Beginning this month everyone must:**

1. fill out a new registration form and pay the \$30.00 registration fee (Exempt: paid registration fee March, or later, of this year)
2. sign-up for classes
3. pick-up studio policy handbook.

### **Important dates regarding Rio Grande Valley Ballet's, **The Nutcracker****

Auditions for **The Nutcracker** during the entire month of August.

August 27, Tues., Ballet I-III **The Nutcracker**, Mandatory parent meeting from 7:30-8:30 pm

August 28, Wed., Ballet IV+ **The Nutcracker**, Mandatory parent meeting from 8:00-8:45 pm

August 29, Thursday, Deadline for **The Nutcracker** contract and \$75 fee by 7:00 pm.

**Photo sessions for *Winter Recital* and *The Nutcracker* are set for September 14, 21-22, 29. Ballet I-II comes on Sept. 14 and 21; Ballet III+ comes on Sept. 22 and 29.**

**Coming soon-Winter Recital 2019**, Saturday, Dec. 7, at 10:30 am at the McAllen Performing Arts Center. The **Winter Recital** is unique in that it highlights the younger dancers and adults! Classes performing in the recital include: pre-ballet, pre-tap, hip hop and tap for 4-5 years olds, ballet I, jazz I-II, tap I-II, hip hop, adult ballet, tap, and jazz; and tumbling. Dancers wanting to be in the recital must purchase their costume at 10th Street Dance Wear by October 1st, and pay a \$25.00 performance fee per dancer. No costume orders will be sold after the October 1st deadline. Dancers will need to wear a beige basic under their costume. This can be purchased with the costume order. Purchase stage make-up at the Dance Academy front desk.

*"When you do not know what to do or which way to turn, Smile! This will relax your mind and let the sunshine of happiness into your soul."*



## Calendar of Events

### August

- August 1, Everyone re-registers for classes \$30 registration fee per family
- August 1, **The Nutcracker** auditions are held in class all month!
- August 27, 7:30 pm mandatory parent meeting for **The Nutcracker for ballet I-II**
- August 28, 8:00 pm mandatory parent meeting for **The Nutcracker for ballet III+**
- August 29, deadline for **The Nutcracker** \$75 performance fee and contracts
- August 31, Labor Day holiday. No classes.

### September

- September 2, Labor Day holiday. No classes.
- September 3, **The Nutcracker** cast letters go out.
- September 14, 21-22, and 29, photo sessions for **The Nutcracker** and **Winter Recital** from 2:30-5:30 pm in studio A
- September 27, **Nutcracker** donations due 6:00 pm for ballet levels I-II
- September 28, **Nutcracker** donations due by 1:00 pm for ballet levels III+
- September 28, 7:00 pm Nick Vujicic, *The Greatest Motivational & Inspiration Show On Earth at Bert Ogden Arena in Edinburg*

### October

- October 1, deadline for **Winter Recital** costume orders
- October 1, deadline for program photographs to be submitted in the **Winter Recital** and **The Nutcracker** programs
- October 6, weekend rehearsal for **The Nutcracker** begins
- October 25, 5:00 pm deadline for Moscow Ballet's \$50 cast fee and registration.
- October 25, 5:30 pm Moscow Ballet's audition
- October 26, 2:00-7:00 pm Moscow Ballet's rehearsals

### November

- November 28-30, Thanksgiving Holidays. No classes or rehearsals.

### December

- December 4, dress rehearsal of The Nutcracker 4:30 cast I, 6:30 cast II at MPAC
- December 5-6, student matinees of The Nutcracker 9:00 am, and 11:30 am
- December 6, **Winter Recital** dress rehearsal at 6:30 pm MPAC
- December 7, **Winter Recital** performance at MPAC at 10:30 am.
- December 7-8, **The Nutcracker** performances at MPAC at 3:00 pm
- December 29, Moscow Ballet's The Nutcracker at MPAC at 5:00 pm