

# Footnotes

## HALLOWEEN WEEK DRESS-UP

All students are welcome to wear their Halloween costumes to class the week of October 24-28th.



## THIS AND THAT

**Office Hours:** Both locations of MMDA are open Monday-Thursday when classes are going on. The Reservoir location of MMDA is closed on Friday and Madison is open 3:30-4:30 during the one class that meets on that day.

Madison phone number: **601-853-4508**, Reservoir phone number: **601-992-9016**. Ms. Jennifer can be contacted by calling the numbers above between 10:00am and 3:00pm.

**Holidays:** A holiday schedule along with dates to remember was e-mailed out before classes began. Please refer to this calendar for all school holidays. (A copy is attached to this newsletter).

**Drop-Off & Pickup:** Please do not block the driveways into the parking lots when waiting to pickup dancers. Also, please do not pull under the portico to wait for your dancer, there may be parents dropping off dancers while your dancer is still in class.



### MMB Board of Directors:

Back row: Edwina Thomas, Alese Jones, Hazel McCaughan, Dexter Bishop, Dale Shearer, Christine Bridges, Elizabeth Post, Olivia Maley

Front Row: Miranda Hamilton, Crystal Skelton, Jennifer Beasley, Jamie Morris, Lisa Kirkpatrick, Janet Shearer

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**Apprentice Dancers** (Listed Alphabetically):

Addie Hamm, Amelia Brister, Angela Zhao, Cadria Johnson, Carlin Johnson, Catherine Stringer, Ella Bourne Colbert, Ella Claire Reynolds, Evelyn Sims, Graves Herrington, Jane Lutz, Kate McIntosh, Laura Ann Bradberry, Lexie Rose Smith, Lila Barnhill, Lizzy Beckley, Lydia Grace Reynolds, Mackenzie Hierlmeier, Maury McPhillips, Olivia Laura, Rachel Snellgrove, Rivers Noone, Rosemary McIntosh, Sadie Haas, Shea Haas



**Junior Alternate Dancers**

(Listed Alphabetically): Amelie Baquie, Adeline Cade, Anna Brewer, Ashlynn Frier, Ella Crimm, Emily Wilson, Emma Caroline Elliott, Erin Camille Randall, Isabella Smash, Kaylee Anne Hurley, Maddyn Childress, Marie Young, Megan Trousdale, Morgan Patterson, Samantha Cochran, Tinley Gilbert, Virginia Zivic



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**Junior Dancers** (Listed Alphabetically): Abigail Smitherman, Addie Grace Smith, Anna Kate Holly, Ava Grogan, Avery Byrd, Avery Dale, Bess Borne, Betsy Beard, Briley Kate Pettway, Bryleigh Alexander, Candy Mak, Caroline McPhillips, Drew Vanderver, Edie McKay, Elan Kirk, Emma Rhodus, Ivy Grace Gentry, Kennedy Klar, Lelia Duong, Mariah Morris, Marian Morgan, Mims Woodward, Natalie Hankinson, Ollie Cook, Reeves Lutz, Sarah Martin Hall, Stella Barbour-Matthews, Virginia Stewart



**Senior Dancers** (Listed Alphabetically): Abby Stringer, Allie Raush, Amelia McCaughan, Angela Lin, Anna Kate Hamilton, Annalyse Binkley, Avery Shiflett, Blaine Bridges, Brelyn Binkley, Brenna Alise Alexander, Caroline Ellis, Catelyn Winders, Eleanora Ellis, Emily Garner, Emma Raush, Grace Gardner, Hart Maley, Izzy Holland, Jo Lin, Joley Cox, Katherine Swindell, Linnie Moon, Mari Finseth, Mary Emerson Swindell, Rebecca Trowbridge, Sanders Reeves, Sophia Huang, Sutton Sory

# NUTCRACKER 2022

DECEMBER 3RD AND 4TH @ JACKSON ACADEMY PERFORMING ARTS CENTER



*The Nutcracker*  
MISSISSIPPI METROPOLITAN BALLET

JACKSON ACADEMY  
PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

DECEMBER 3  
2:00 & 7:00 PM  
LAND OF SWEETS TOUR  
4:00 PM

DECEMBER 4  
2:00 & 6:30 PM  
LAND OF SWEETS TOUR  
4:00 PM

MISSISSIPPI METROPOLITAN BALLET  
Celebrating  
**30**  
- YEARS -  
*of Dance Excellence*

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**www.msmetroballet.com or 601-853-4508**

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It's good to be Blue.

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Eventful

PIG & PINT

Hilton Garden Inn Jackson/Madison

Mississippi Metropolitan Ballet opens its 30th season with the holiday favorite *The Nutcracker* on December 3 and 4 at Jackson Academy Performing Arts Center. Set to music by Peter Ilyich Tchaikovsky, this full-length ballet is a delight to children of all ages and a traditional part of the holiday season for many families. Performances will be at 2 & 7 p.m. on Saturday and 2 & 6:30 p.m. on Sunday. Tickets are \$30-35 and are available now at [msmetroballer.com](http://msmetroballer.com). Join us and witness the magical scenery, dazzling costumes and beautiful dancing.

Step into Clara's slippers and travel to the Land of Sweets in the Mississippi Metropolitan Ballet Land of Sweets VIP Tour, which follows our matinee performances on Saturday and Sunday. In this immersive experience, guests will have their personal passport stamped as they visit Clara, the Snow Queen, the Dewdrop Fairy, the Sugarplum Fairy, and more. Travel stops will offer character photo opportunities and souvenirs including a miniature nutcracker. The afternoon's activities will be capped with "Spanish" hot cocoa and light refreshments from Nothing Bundt Cakes. VIP Tour tickets are \$25 and are also available at [msmetroballer.com](http://msmetroballer.com).

Tour tickets do not include admission to *The Nutcracker* performance. Performance tickets are sold separately.

Tickets are on-sale now @ <https://www.tix.com/ticket-sales/msmetroballer/1695>



# BALLET & BARRE B QUE

MMB hosted our annual fall fundraiser on October 2nd @ Livingston; it was a huge success. Thanks to everyone who came and enjoyed the beautiful weather, the delicious BBQ from Pig & Pint and watching some of our dancer perform a few of the pieces they are working on. During the afternoon, we drew our raffle winners, they were: 1st Prize Mike Cook, 2nd Prize Mandy Woodward and 3rd Prize Janet Bonner--Congratulations to our winners!





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# 2023 RECITAL INFORMATION

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This year MMDA will present 6 recital performances. All recitals and dress rehearsals will be held at the Jackson Academy Performing Arts Center located on the campus of Jackson Academy, located at 4908 Ridgewood Rd, Jackson, MS 39211. Listed below are dates for recitals with classes listed, the exact times for recitals and dress rehearsals will be announced in January.

All 3/4, 4/5, 5/6 & 6/7 Combo classes will have their recital on **Saturday, May 20, 2023**. Each class will be in *ONE* of these recitals. The times for recitals are 2:30pm, 4:30pm and 6:30pm (A breakdown of classes assigned to each time will be sent out in January). *Dress Rehearsal for these recitals will be the late afternoon/evening of Friday, May 19, 2023.*

Madison Studio classes Level 1B and Older will have their recital on **Sunday, May 21, 2023**. Each class will be in *ONE* of these recitals. The times for recitals are 2:00pm and 6:30pm (A breakdown of classes assigned to each time will be sent out in January). *Dress Rehearsal for these recitals will be Saturday, May 20, 2023; beginning at 8:00am.*

Reservoir Studio classes Level 1B and Older will have their recital on **Tuesday, May 23, 2023**. The time for this recital is 6:30pm. *Dress Rehearsal for this recitals will be Monday, May 22, 2023; late afternoon/evening.*

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## MMB SPONSORSHIP

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MMB would like to thank the Mississippi Arts Commission for their continued support of our work. MMB receives a grant from MAC; which helps make our productions possible and allows us to provide community outreach to schools throughout the dance season.

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## DONATIONS & SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

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The Mississippi Metropolitan Ballet is now accepting donations and sponsors for our 2022-2023 season. There are sponsor/donation packages available that range in price from \$50-\$5,000. MMB is a non-profit organization and your donation is tax deductible. All donations will help support MMB's mission of presenting excellent performances, including The Nutcracker and an additional Spring Performance, providing excellence in dance education and creating new opportunities for everyone in our community to experience the magic of dance. Every year we present complimentary performances of The Nutcracker and our Spring performance to groups like the Boys and Girls Club of Mississippi, Magnolia Speech School, and Methodist Children's Home. We also bring mini-performances and lecture demonstrations to rural and inner-city schools, and provide scholarships for dance study to low-income students). Sponsorship brochures can be obtained in the lobby at either studios, online at [msmetroballet.com](https://msmetroballet.com) or contact the MMB Executive Director, Olivia Maley @ [ohmaley1@gmail.com](mailto:ohmaley1@gmail.com) to inquire. Donations are tax deductible.

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# 2022-2023 CALENDAR

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October 24-28

October 31

November 14-18

November 21-25

December 1

December 3 & 4

Dress Up Week

Halloween-No Classes

Parents Observation Week

Thanksgiving Holidays-No Classes

MMDA Recital Costume Payment Due-\$70

**The Mississippi Metropolitan Ballet Presents**

"The Nutcracker" at Jackson Academy Performing Arts Center

December 19-January 1

January 2

February 1

February 13-17

March 1 MMDA

Winter Break-No Classes

Second Semester Begins

MMDA Recital Costume Balances Due

We Love Dance Week!

Recital Fee Due

\$65(\$30 for additional students in family)

March 13-17

April 10

April 15

April 16

April 22

May 18

May 20-23

Spring Break/No Classes

Easter Monday-No Classes

Recital Pictures in Madison

Recital Pictures at Reservoir

Recital Picture Make Up Day

Last Day of Class

MMDA Recitals at Jackson Academy Performing Arts Center

(Dress Rehearsals Start May 19th)





Wishing all of our October ballerinas a very Happy Birthday!



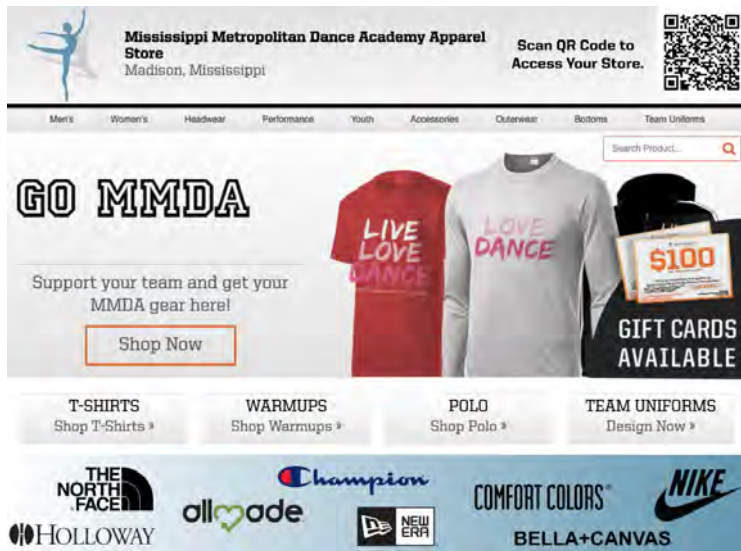
Hadley Metzger	1	Emma Caroline Elliott	10	Anne Avery Ingram	22
Delta Grace Switzer	1	Tori Hawkins	10	Mary McCarty Robbins	22
Charlie Wilson	2	Layne Hardin	11	Annalyse Binkley	23
Jessica Cruise	3	Felisha Sheppard	11	Kate McIntosh	23
Olivia Davis	3	Anna Kate Holly	12	Olivia Weldon	23
Sarah Owens	3	Kate Sage	13	Rosalee Katzenmeyer	24
Charlotte Bell	4	Maris Turner	13	Harper King	24
Lyla Kate Broyles	7	Pryor Mosby	16	Greer McCaskill	25
Sarah Williamson	7	Ella Bourne Colbert	17	Erin Randall	25
Hines Hornback	8	Ava Jane Smith	18	Whitley Reeves	25
Swayze Lewis	8	Jenna Tang	18	Linley Zivic	25
Rivers Noone	8	Mclain Brewer	19	Lila Rogers	26
Allie Raush	8	Nora Cochran	19	Grace Gardner	27
Avery Smith	8	Allie Legate	19	Kaylee Anne Hurley	28
Nora Guo	9	Elizabeth Markow	19	Nora Grace Rushing	28
Maury McPhillips	9	Alyvia Westwood	19	Gray Lauderdale	29
Eva Mosal	9	Camille Golson	20	Parks Kimball	30
				Ren Newton	30
				Charlotte Schipper	30



## Check out MMDA's Spirit Store

We have so many options available for everyone! Scan the QR code or click on the link below to start shopping today.

[Mississippi Metropolitan Dance Academy Apparel Store | Madison Mississippi - Rokkitwear](#)



## Adult Classes



MMDA is now offering adult ballet classes taught by Cherri Barnett and adult tap classes taught by Debra Franco. Whether you danced when you were a child and are wanting to pick it back up or you are a beginner, these classes will be appropriate for you! Come try a free trial class in the month of September.

Both class held at our Madison location.

## Shop Discount Dance Supply

DISCOUNT  
DANCE  
SUPPLY

Since our only dance supply store in town is going out of business, an online store through Discount Dance Supply has been created for your convenience.

Use the link below to go directly to our store. Each level's dress code is listed.

Some substitutes were added for items that DDS did not carry.

Please use this link for any purchases that you make throughout the year, not just dress code items.

<https://www.discountdance.com/search/teacherid:42644?tp=42644>

## Ballet Term of the Month

**Dégagé** is a classical ballet term meaning "disengage." A **dégagé** is when a dancer moves their leg off the floor from a position with a pointed foot and straight leg to the front, side or back.

It gets its name **dégagé** because the step is a movement, not a position, where a leg "disengages" from the other.

A **dégagé** is considered a basic step that is learned in a beginner's class, but like many other basic steps, later used for more advanced steps by advanced students and professionals. A good understanding of **dégagé** is very important for a strong technique in petit allegro.