

# Monroe Dance Academy

## April Newsletter

April 30, 2021

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### A month of growth!

As our dance family grows, so does our commitment to dance! Many exciting things happened in April at Monroe Dance Academy. Here are a few!

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MONROE DANCE ACADEMY

## MDA's 2021 Gala... It's SHOWTIME!

**Date:** Sunday, June 20, 2021

**Location:** [The Knowlton](#)

**Number of Shows:** 2

**Gala Showtimes:** 11am and 2pm

**Venue Capacity (as of 4/27/2021):** 250

**Seating (as of 4/27/2021):** Pod Seating

*Most routines will perform in ONE SHOW only.*

*A few, not many, routines will crossover to BOTH shows.*

Stay tuned for a **Gala Packet** that will be released next week that will include details about:

- ★ Tickets
- ★ Costumes
- ★ Hair
- ★ Makeup
- ★ Picture Day
- ★ Dress Rehearsal (held at MDA)

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## Jelly Bean Guess

Did you guess how many jelly beans were in the jar? With the closest guess...

**Congratulations to our winner, Eliza Brakeman!**

There were a total of 587 jelly beans in the jar... Eliza was the closest with a guess of 599!



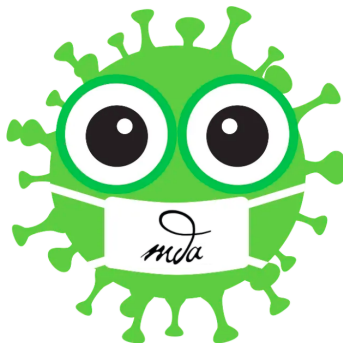
## Summer Camp Registration is OPEN

The fun continues this summer at MDA! We offer camps for all ages in all styles - acro, hip hop, jazz, contemporary, ballet, and more! Limited space due to Covid.

[CLICK HERE](#) to learn more about MDA's Summer Camps and  
**SIGN UP TODAY!**

## COVID-19 Update

Click [here](#) to read about MDA's latest Covid-19 Update.



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## Join MDA and DANCE in the Memorial Day Parade!

**Parade Date:** Sunday, May 30th

**Dancer Drop Off Time:** 12:15pm

**Parade Start Time:** 1:00pm

**Sign Up Deadline: Thursday, May 13th**



**Who can participate?** ALL current MDA Students who are at least 8 years old are encouraged to participate in the Memorial Day Parade!

**What do we do?** There will be an official "MDA Parade Dance" that all participating MDA dancers in the parade will need to learn.

### Rehearsals

Indoor Parade Rehearsals - 5/20 and 5/27

Outdoor Parade Rehearsal - 5/28 from 4:30 - 6pm

**Cost - FREE!** We encourage ALL MDA students who are of age to participate in this once-a-year event!

**How do I sign up?** [Click here](#) to sign up today!

**Other details** - All participants must dance in the Parade Dance and remain with the group for the entire route. Parents are not permitted to walk with the dancers, walk alongside of them, or walk along the parade route.

**Not able to attend rehearsals, but still want to participate in the parade?** We have a few spots available for those interested in walking and holding our MDA banner!

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# Monroe Dance Company

## Revolution Dance Competition

Monroe Dance Company dancers hit the stage for their first optional competition of the season! *Revolution Talent Competition* took place Friday, April 23rd at the Palace Theater in Waterbury. MDC took home many elite high scores as well as special awards.



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## Interested in joining MDC next year?

### ***What is Monroe Dance Company?***

Monroe Dance Company is an advanced, competitive performance company consisting of talented, well-rounded dancers. Dancers participate in dance competitions, conventions, professional master classes, perform in local events, and experience live dance performances to enhance and deepen their understanding of the art form.

### ***Who can join?***

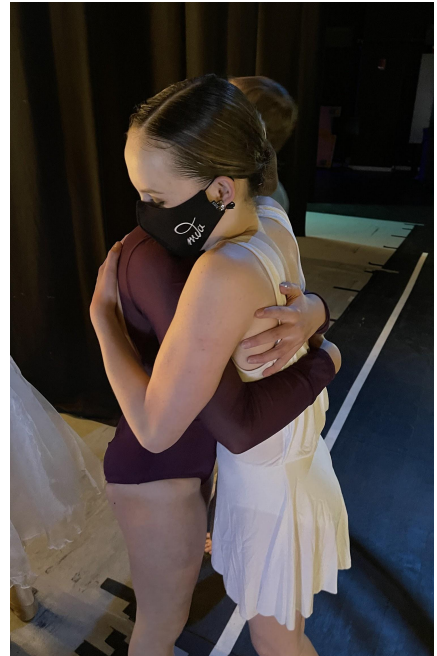
Anyone! Every dancer - any age and technical level - is welcome! We have multiple companies that are specific to age and **offer both recreational and competitive commitment levels.**

### ***How do I join?***

Auditions are **Sunday, May 16th**; chosen students are issued a formal invitation within a few days of the actual audition.

### ***Why should I join?***

Participation in MDC provides a fun and exciting opportunity for dancers to work towards a common goal and to gain a sense of pride in their artistry. It fosters teamwork, responsibility, community, and a higher level of performance skills.



**[Click here](#) for more details about MDC!**



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## Theater Connection's Spring Show



Rehearsals for MDA's Theater Connection, *MdaVision*, are in full swing! Both in person and via Zoom, performers have committed 100% to this production.

**We are so excited for our  
COVID compliant, socially-distanced PREMIERE PARTY in May!**

**Location:** On the green at Great Oak Farm in Monroe

**Friday, May 14th - Premiere Party**

6:30pm - Red carpet photos start

8:00pm - Premiere of *MdaVision*

*Saturday, May 15th - Rain Date #1*

*Sunday, May 16th - Rain Date #2*

**How To Buy Tickets:**

Reach out to [monroedance11@gmail.com](mailto:monroedance11@gmail.com) if interested in attending.

Space is limited!



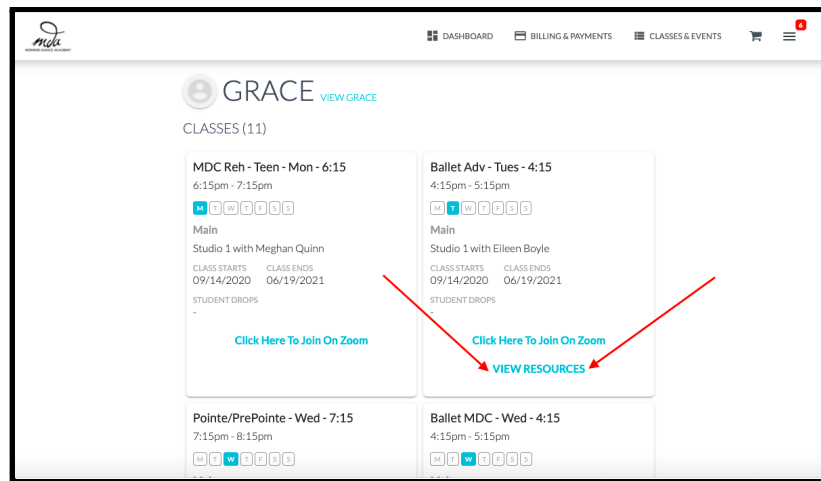
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## Gala Dances - Practice Videos & Music

Does your dancer want to practice their Gala dance at home? We have the resources you are looking for! In your Parent Portal, you will find dancers gala music and videos! These folders will be updated weekly for your convenience.

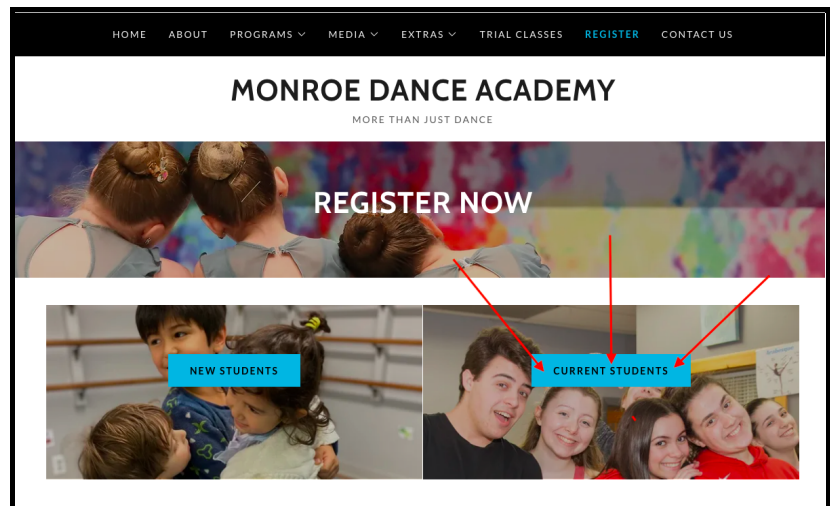
Watch the video below on how to find the resources button in your Parent Portal!



[Click here](#) to watch a 15 second video on how to find the RESOURCES button!

### How do you log in to the Parent Portal?

You will find the link on MDA's website [here](#). We highly recommend bookmarking this for quick access!



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## COMING IN MAY...



### Teacher Appreciation Week May 10th - 15th

Join us in thanking and celebrating our amazing teachers at MDA!

#ThankYourTeachers

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## Company Auditions

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Auditions will be in-person at  
Monroe Dance Academy!

**12-12:45pm** - Ages 8 & under


**1-1:45pm** - Ages 9+

**Sign Up** - Sign up sheet located in MDA's lobby!

**Unable to attend,  
but still interested in auditioning?**

We're here to help!

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The poster features a dancer in a white leotard jumping in the air, and another dancer in a green leotard sitting on the floor. The background is dark with the text 'MONROE DANCE ACADEMY'S FAVORITE DANCE' visible.



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**MEMORIAL  
DAY  
PARADE**

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SUNDAY, MAY 30

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## Free Trial Class

Interested in trying a **NEW** class? Monroe Dance Academy offers a free trial program where dancers can try as many free classes as they want for one week! We encourage dancers to try new styles and teachers. Your new favorite class might be just around the corner! 😊

## Studio Closings

May 31st - Memorial Day

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