

# Wainwright Dance Academy

## February Newsletter 2016

### WDA BOARD MEMBERS 2015-2016

Please contact the board through email at [info@wainwrightdanceacademy.com](mailto:info@wainwrightdanceacademy.com). We will attempt to address all emails quickly. We are using Facebook for distributing information only. It is not being monitored regularly for questions or concerns so please forward questions to the above email.

*Parents are also welcome to attend the beginning of our monthly board meetings to ask questions or voice concerns and/or opinions. The executives are fellow volunteer parents working to do what is best for the academy as a whole, and we value your input. The next WDA Board Meeting is on Thursday, February 18 at 7:00 pm in the front studio basement.*

President – Kari Walsh

Vice-President – Erica Verkoyen

Secretary – Lori Myggland

Treasurer – Heather Tesselaar

Communications Director – Lori Steele

Festival/Recital Director – Cathy Stang

Fundraising Director – Dawn Smyl

Facility Director – Sara Mascarin

Costume Director – Brandi Hedin

Special Events MaL – Deb Anderson

Performance MaL – Connie Harris

Communication MaL – Heather Rentz

Administrative MaL – Brienne Doyle

\*MaL – Member at Large

### SPRING FUNDRAISERS INFO

**MABEL'S LABELS** - WDA has signed up under Mabel's Labels as another fundraiser. THIS IS AN OPTIONAL FUNDRAISER. If you (or anybody you know) are interested in purchasing Mabel's Labels, please go to: [www.mabelslabels.com](http://www.mabelslabels.com). Click on SUPPORT A FUNDRAISER, and select Wainwright Dance Academy. Wainwright Dance Academy will receive 20% of the sales.

**RAFFLE FUNDRAISER** - We will be doing a Raffle Fundraiser again this year. Like last year, the Raffle will have 3 cash prizes to be drawn at our annual Recital in May. Each family has already paid for the book of tickets with their registration fees (book consists of 10 - \$5 tickets). Thus, you can sell the 10 tickets to recoup your costs or simply fill them out and enter to win yourself. Your book of tickets will be handed out at a future date TBA. This is our final mandatory fundraiser for the year.

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**PURDY'S EASTER CHOCOLATES** – We have decided to do the Easter Purdy's Fundraising Campaign again this year. This fundraiser is completely optional as long as you have already participated in the Christmas Purdy's fundraiser. **NOTE** - If you did not participate in the Christmas Purdy's fundraiser, you must provide a \$150 fundraising cheque (deposit in the Treasurer's box in the front studio), postdated to March 30, 2016. This cheque will only be cashed if you do not participate in the Easter Purdy's Fundraiser.

Easter Purdy order forms and catalogues are available for pick up in the WDA Front Studio and Back Studio waiting areas. **All orders are due back by February 17, 2016.**

- You can place your sealed envelopes with orders and payments in the grey fundraising box (found above the shoe rack in the front studio).
- Please ensure your dancer's name is on every order form so that it is easier for us to sort.
- Cheques can be made payable to WDA and there are no shipping costs on any orders.
- The chocolates should be available for pick up on or around March 14th. Additional information will be emailed at that time.
- Orders can also be placed online by going to [www.purdysgpp.com](http://www.purdysgpp.com). Our customer number is 16348.
- We ask that all families sell a minimum of \$150 in Purdy's chocolates.
- If there are any questions, please contact Dawn Smyl at (780) 806-1971.

## TREASURER INFO - INVOICES & RECEIPTS

Competition and costume invoices were sent out at the end of January. If you have not received your invoice by February 7, please contact the Treasurer at [treasurer@wainwrightdanceacademy.com](mailto:treasurer@wainwrightdanceacademy.com). You will also receive an updated statement indicating any amounts owing the first week of February. ***This amount MUST be paid before costume pick up.***

**2015 Tax Receipts** - Your 'PAID' invoice is your receipt. If you need a new one issued please contact the Treasurer. Alternatively, if you are claiming the Child Tax Fitness Credit and require a consolidated receipt because your dancer changed classes or there are other unique circumstances, please print and complete the attached form (put the completed form in the Treasurer's box in the front studio). The Treasurer will fill out the amount, sign it, and return it to you.

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## CLASS VIEWINGS

All parents are invited by our dance instructors to stay and watch the **first half** of your child's class(es) during the class observation week. We will be holding this last set of viewings on February 28 – March 4 (same week as Costume Week).

## STUDIO MAKE UP 2015-2016

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- Foundation:** Match to your child's skin color or go a shade darker.
- Eyeliner:** All female dancers are expected to wear black eyeliner on both the bottom and top lash lines as well as the fake eye lashes.
- Eye shadow:** Revlon Colorstay #500 Addictive **OR**  
Covergirl #105 Cafe au lait **OR**  
Maybelline Chic Naturals #35T
- Blush:** Revlon #002 Blushing Berry **OR**  
Covergirl #154 Deep Plum
- Lipstick:** Maybelline Superstay 24 #015 All Day Cherry **OR**  
Revlon Colorstay Ultimate Liquid #050 Top Tomatoe
- Fake Eye lashes:** #222 Mesmor Eyes Black **OR**  
#105 Ardell (**Absolutely NO rhinestone or tinsel eyelashes.**)

**\*\*It is important for all dancers to wear the same color of make-up. At festivals the dancers earn/lose marks for their overall appearance.\*\***

## FACILITY INFO - USE & CARE

Our cleaning lady is spending a considerable amount of time cleaning up muddy footprints in the waiting areas of the studios where shoes should have been removed. We would like our cleaner to be able to focus her time on the weekly tasks that she was hired to complete. Thus, we would

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like to remind everyone to please take off their footwear at the doors of the studios. Thanks in advance for your cooperation regarding this matter!

As always, please check the Lost and Found bins in both the front & back studios for your dancers' clothing, water bottles, shoes, etc.

## COSTUME INFO

**COSTUME PICK UP** – Parents may pick up their dancer's costumes on Tuesday, February 23. In an attempt to make the line up and wait time shorter, we have organized two pick up times based on last names.

Last names beginning with: A – K may pick up from 6:00 – 7:30 pm

L – Z may pick up from 7:30 – 9:00 pm

**COSTUME WEEK** – We will be having the costume trial week on February 28 – March 4. The **first 15 minutes of the class** will be used for the students to try on and dance in their costumes. Instructors will also use this time to discuss with parents how to properly place accessories as well as the required hair and make-up. Please ensure that your dancer brings his/her **regular** dance attire to change into so the costumes can be put away for safekeeping.

**\*\*Our instructors have requested that parents do not watch while their children dance in their costumes. They would like to keep all routines a surprise until the first festival. Thanks in advance for complying with their wishes.\*\***

**ALTERATIONS** - We are on a tight time line so please make every effort to pick up your costumes, have your child attend all classes during Costume Week, and make all alterations as soon as possible. If you were not able to pick up your child's costumes on February 23 please contact Brandi Hedin to make other arrangements.

## GENERAL REMINDERS

**CLASS PREPARATION** - Our instructors would like to remind parents of young dancers to ensure that their children use the bathroom before going into class.

**INJURY REPORTS** – We ask that parents please contact the instructor if their child has sustained an injury during class. Sometimes the dancers do not tell the instructor when the injury occurs, and it is important for the safety of our dancers and the quality of our instruction, that the instructors be aware of any issues.

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**FESTIVAL/COMPETITION ABSENCES** – Please inform our instructors or email the WDA Board at [info@wainwrightdanceacademy.com](mailto:info@wainwrightdanceacademy.com) if your dancer(s) will not be in attendance at one or any of the planned festivals/competitions. The instructors would greatly appreciate advance notice if any dancers will be away so they can make any necessary adjustments to the group routine.

## FESTIVAL/COMPETITION INFO

Festival Season is fast approaching. **We will supply all festival schedules as soon as they are available to us.** Please ensure that you reserve your hotel rooms and also change your reservations if necessary when you know the exact dates and times of your child's dances.

**REMINDER:** **A dancer's attendance to regular class is crucial to the success of the whole group.** A dancer that is habitually absent disrupts the group's ability to learn its routine efficiently and effectively. Please note that if a dancer fails to attend class consistently, it could result in his or her exclusion from participating in the upcoming festivals/competitions. This decision will be left up to individual instructors and will be fully supported by the WDA Board.

**ATTENDANCE:** Please email the Academy ([info@wainwrightdanceacademy.com](mailto:info@wainwrightdanceacademy.com)) or let the instructor know in advance if your dancer will be absent for any reason. All attendance emails received by the Communications Director will be directed to the appropriate instructor as soon as possible on your behalf. Please include your child's name, the date of the missing class, and the name of the instructor.

### **FESTIVAL DATES & VENUES:**

#### Thunderstruck

April 1 - 3, 2016

Edmonton, AB

Myer Horowitz Theatre (U of A Campus)

#### Vermilion Dance Festival

April 22 - 24, 2016

Vermilion, AB

Lakeland College's Alumni Hall Theatre

\*Our little dancers (3 & 4 yr olds) will attend the Vermilion Dance Festival only.

#### 5, 6, 7, 8 - Showtime!

May 13 - 15, 2016

Saskatoon, SK

TCU Place (35 - 22nd Street East)

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## IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

**February 12 to 15 – Closed for Family Day Weekend**

February 17 – Easter Purdy's Orders due

February 23 – Costume Pick Up Night

**February 28 to March 4 – Costume Week & Parent Watch Week**

March 13 – Dance Photos (Schedule TBA)

**March 25 to April 2 - Closed for Easter**

**April 1 to 3 – Thunderstruck (Edmonton)**

April 4 – Classes Resume

**April 22 to 24 – Vermilion Dance Festival (Vermilion)**

May 4 – Recital Rehearsal @ C-plex

**May 5 - Solos/Duets Wine & Cheese @ Elk's Hall**

**May 6 & 7 – Spring Recital @ C-plex (3 performances)**

Last Day of Classes – Thursday, May 12

**May 13 to 15 – 5, 6, 7, 8 Showtime! (Saskatoon)**