

# East County Performing Arts Center January Newsletter

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## Adult Classes

Dance is not just for the kids! We offer adult ballet Saturday mornings from 9-10 and adult Hip Hop on Tuesday nights 8:15-9:00. You can register for either of these classes on line, over the phone or in person.

## Fun ways to stay connected!

Join our fan page on Facebook you can find our page when you search East County Performing Arts Center. Or follow us on Twitter [www.twitter.com/Eastcountypac](http://www.twitter.com/Eastcountypac)



## Director's note:

It is cold outside!! Make sure your dancer comes to and leaves classes warm and covered. It is cold in the waiting areas of the studio. Aside from remodeling we can't do much about it. If the heat is set any higher in the common areas it get stifling in the second dance room. Space heaters are not only unsafe for children to be around but they are considered a fire hazard. So dress warmly when you come to watch classes and know that your children are warm inside the dance rooms and of course the children being comfortable is our priority. *Miss Nina*

## Costume Fittings

Recital Costume Fitting Day is Saturday Jan 30. We have posted the fitting schedule in the studio and online. Please have your dancer come in tight fitting clothes or dance clothes so we can get an accurate measurement.. Costumes need to be paid for at the time of the fitting. The cost for costumes are as follows:

Boogie Babies and Pre-Ballet \$65.00

Combo (2 in 1 costume for both a jazz and tap dance) \$70.00

All other classes \$70.00

If you have any questions or cannot make your scheduled time please let us know.

## January Students Of The Month

East County Performing Arts Center honors students every month by choosing Students of the Month! Each month 10 lucky students are chosen and they receive a Student of the Month Certificate, 5 Dance Dollars and a Gift Certificate to Baskin Robbins. All awards are presented during class time, if your child misses class the day we are presenting the award we will try again the next week. If the dancer is still absent the following week the award will be placed in your Family Folder. The Students of the Month for January are: **Stephanie Eatmon, Summer Said, Danielle Cardoza, Alyssa Pires, Alyssa Reyes, Savannah Wirkus, Alexandra Cataldo, Wencie Hoang and Jordan Pitts.** Congratulations to all the Students of the Month! We announce Students of the Month each month in the ECPAC Glissade Gazette ... so keep your eyes peeled, next month it could be you!

## Dance Dollars

As an incentive teachers will occasionally award Dance Dollars to students. These dollars can be saved and then spent at our treasure boxes, where dancers will find fun items like jump ropes and jewelry; or they can be saved for larger items like an East County PAC Tee Shirt or even an ice cream date with your favorite teacher! To redeem your Dance Dollars please visit the front desk.

## Introducing East County GLEE!!

Does your Jr High or High Schooler love to sing and dance? East County GLEE is the perfect class for them. Participants will learn song and dance numbers for various performance opportunities. We are offering EC GLEE as an introductory 8 week program beginning in February. If you are interested in enrolling visit the front desk or call 240-5556.

## Good Dancers Are Smart Dancers!

If you have a fabulous student bring in his or her report card. We will copy it and post it on our Good Student Bulletin Board!!

## IMPORTANT RECITAL INFORMATION

*This is just a brief overview of some information you will find in the Recital Handbook. The Handbook is available for download online at [www.brentwooddance.com](http://www.brentwooddance.com)*

**Picture Day Tuesday, June 3 (no classes this day):** There will be a schedule distributed later in the year, each class has a specific time frame. Pictures are professionally taken at the dance studio. We run on a tight schedule on Picture Day and pride ourselves on being on time. **Recital Volunteers:** I need many volunteers during our show. I need backstage moms to help entertain and help little ones with costume changes, ticket takers, ticket sellers, people passing out programs and guarding doors, child check in/out, and the list goes on. I need 1-2 parent volunteers for each class, there will be a sign up list in the studio to work backstage and a Parent Volunteer meeting in May to discuss positions and responsibilities. **Dress Rehearsal Friday, June 20, Deer Valley High School:** Rehearsal times will be between 2:00 and 8:00. Each show will have a specific plot of time within that time period. All dancers must attend dress rehearsal. If you are a working parent please make arrangements now so your child can attend. If you need to set up a carpool with other parents in class please contact the studio main office. If you are volunteering to work backstage you **MUST** attend the coordinating rehearsal. At dress rehearsal we run the Grand Finale first then as your dancers finish you are free to leave. For safety reasons dancers are not allowed to watch the rehearsal. They must stay backstage. **Recital Saturday, June 21 Deer Valley High School:** The recital is the big event that our dancers have been working for all year long; they will be excited, nervous and maybe even a little overwhelmed. This year the recital will be held at Deer Valley High School. Tickets for the recital will go on sale in early May and it is best to **BUY YOUR TICKETS EARLY** because the **SHOWS WILL SELL OUT!!!!** 4 tickets per family will be held during the month of May. On the first Monday in June tickets go on open sale and you can buy as many as you need. The recital will be split up in at least 3 shows to accommodate our large student base. Each show for the younger dancers (2-7) will be approximately 1 ½ hours. The shows for the older dancers (7 and over) will be no more than 2 hours. We will make every effort to keep siblings in the same show and we will have discounted ticket packages available for families who have dancers in multiple shows. *As we get closer to the show we will be giving out more information and if anything changes we will get that info out to you as well.*

## COMPETITION TEAM SCORES BIG AT HOLLYWOOD VIBE!

The ECPAC Competition Team and a few members of the Production Co. Attended the Hollywood Vibe Dance Convention and Competition. Dancers at-



*Abby Warner, Savannah Turnage, Gabby Koch and Grace Thompson strike a pose after scholarship auditions!*

tended classes from industry professionals on Saturday and Sunday. During the workshop dancers auditioned for scholarships to attend the convention again next year. **Congratulations to our scholarship winners:** Calysta Westlake, Delaney Sorenson and Cassie Reyes! On Saturday night after classes dancers participated in the competition, showcasing numbers they have been working on since August; including the exciting large group number Hip Hip Chin Chin, where all 41 competition

dancers perform in. Here are some of the highlights. **Best Costume Awards presented to Boom Boom \$100 and Rendezvous \$50! Most Entertaining Junior Number \$50 Prize awarded to Got a Lot Of Living To Do, a Tap Duo performed by Tessa Cortez and Calysta Westlake. Most Entertaining Intermediate Number \$100 prize awarded to Do It Well a Hip Hop Trio performed by Mikayla Van Bommel, Kalena Cortez and Anthony Westlake. Congratulations to all the dancers who participated in the convention and**