



Mid
Maryland
Performing
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Center

...celebrating 20 years

April 2010

Around the Studio

Have you checked out our new summer programs?

There is something for everyone this summer at MMPAC! It's going to be a great program. Registration for camps and summer classes started February 1. Many people are already registered so you don't want to wait! Take a look at our summer brochure online or at the front desk to check out all our summer opportunities.

Broadway Kids

June 21-July 1 (Frederick)
(ages 6-8) • 9:00am-12:00pm • Mon-Thur

The Little Dancer

July 12-16 (New Market)
August 2-6 (Frederick)
(ages 3-6) • 9:00am-11:30am

Dance Jam!

August 2-4 (Frederick)
(ages 11 to adult) • 4:30pm-7:30pm

Musical Theater Workshops

June 21-July 1 (Frederick)
(ages 13+) • 9:00am-4:00pm • Mon-Thur
July 12-July 22 (Frederick)
(ages 9-13) • 9:00am-2:00pm • Mon-Thur

■ **Most costumes have arrived and are now in your hands.** It is extremely important they are well taken care of. Please hang all pieces and label with your child's name, after pressing or ironing all the wrinkles out. If something should get lost at dress rehearsal, the name label is our only way to return it to the owner. *Please do not allow your child to play in their costume prior to the show.*

■ **Performance Readiness Workshop.** Join us for our Performance Readiness Workshop on April 16 in New Market and April 17 in Frederick. Sue Markey will be available to give demonstrations on caring for costumes and stitching straps,

Important Dates

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| April 10 2:00pm | Benefit Performance Frederick Community College |
| April 16 6:00pm | Performance Readiness Workshop – New Market Location |
| April 17 9:00 – 11:00am | Alterations – Frederick Location |
| 11:30 – 1:00pm | Performance Readiness Workshop – Frederick Location |
| 4:00 – 6:00pm | Historical Dance Workshop – New Market Location <i>Pre-Registration is required</i> |
| April 23 – April 24 | Picture Days <i>Classes will be held!</i> |
| April 30 6:00pm | Performance at Ft. Detrick <i>Closed to the public</i> |
| May 10 – May 15 | Last Week of Classes |
| May 16 12:00 – 4:00pm | 20th Anniversary Barbecue – Frederick Location |
| May 18 – May 23 | Production Week at the Weinberg Center |

headpieces, etc. Judy Churco has been doing performers' hair backstage since her daughter, Miss Kimberly, was three years old. She will be available to teach parents how to make the perfect bun, or any other hairdo your teacher may require. We will also go over makeup techniques.

■ **Our latest Adult Dance Session will begin on March 25.** The six-week session, which costs \$96, will cover many of the same dance subjects your children learn every day. You don't want to miss out on the fun! Please let the front desk know you are interested or enroll online.

Mark your calendars for MMPAC's 20th Anniversary Celebration on Sunday, May 16.

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- **You should have received your 2010 Performance Handbook.** You must sign for your copy at the front desk. Information is also available online.
- **20 Year Barbecue.** Mark your calendars to come spend a casual day with the students and staff of MMPAC at our 20th Anniversary Celebration on Sunday, May 16. Feel free to stop by as your schedule allows between noon and 4:00pm for a fun barbecue and activities. Please plan on giving an RSVP. More details to follow.
- **Historical Dance Workshop.** Join us April 17 in New Market for a Historical Dance Workshop with Caroline Copeland of the New York Baroque Dance Company. Students will get an introductory lesson on early American country dances and Cotillions. Many of our students took a workshop in New York with Ms. Copeland. We've received a lot of positive feedback from the students who took the workshop in New York and we're encouraging our other students to weren't able to join us in New York to try the local workshop. Students will have the opportunity to present the Cotillion at MMPAC's annual performance. Pre-registraion is required. www.mmpac.com (301) 694-5105



In the Community

- **Youth Services Performance at Ft. Detrick.** On April 30, some classes will head to Fort Detrick to host a performance for one of the Youth Services groups on base. In support of our outreach efforts, this performance will provide further opportunities for different classes to take part in an extra event during the year. The performance is closed to the general public, but we are honored for the invitation and look forward to a great evening. Your child would have already received information if they are performing. If you are looking for a performance to attend, be sure to check out our Spring Benefit at Frederick Community College.
- **MMPAC in New York.** The weekend of March 19 took several families from MMPAC to New York City! Families enjoyed a number of Broadway shows including In the Heights, West Side Story, The Lion King, Chicago, and The Addams Family. Many of our dancers took classes at Broadway Dance Center, and a private voice lesson with Mary Walkely. About thirty dancers participated in a Historical Dance Workshop hosted by Caroline Copeland. Be sure to check out the additional information about Caroline Copeland in this newsletter. She will be coming our way to host another Historical Dance Workshop April 17 in New Market.

MMPAC is pleased to welcome Daniel Melton who will be holding a new yoga class in our New Market studio on (most) Sundays at 4pm! His company, **OM Flow Yoga**, offers a style of yoga called Prana Flow that is designed to keep you moving physically while cultivating personal growth and a sense of peace. See www.omflow.com for more details!