

Schedule for 2011-2012 Dance Season

September 8, 2011	Classes begin
October 24-29, 2011	Watch Week
November 24 - 25, 2011	Closed for Thanksgiving
November 28, 2011	Classes Resume
Dec 21, 2011- Jan 3, 2012	Closed for Christmas Break
January 4, 2012	Classes Resume
January 16, 2012	STUDIO IS OPEN!
February 17 - 20, 2012	STUDIO IS OPEN!
February 22- 25, 2012	Watch Week
April 2, 2012 – April 9, 2012	Closed for Easter & Spring Break
April 10, 2012	Classes Resume
April 23-28, 2012	Watch Week
May 28, 2012	Closed for Memorial Day
June 2-3, 2012	Recital Pictures TBA
June 11, 2012 (tentative)	Studio open for Rehearsals TBA
June 12, 2012 (tentative)	Mandatory Tech Rehearsal -1/2 cast
June 13, 2012 (tentative)	Mandatory Tech Rehearsal -1/2 cast
June 14, 2012(tentative)	Mandatory Dress Rehearsal –Everyone
June 15, 2012 (tentative)	Show One 7:00 p.m.
June 16, 2012 (tentative)	Show Two 7:00 p.m.



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Class Info, Tuition & Policies

A "**New Era in Dance**" on the
Historic Medina Square

Start Dancing Today with
Medina's Premier Dance Studio

Proven, Experienced and Family Friendly



Mission Statement

The Medina Centre for Dance Art was started in 2002 on the coattails of a life-long dream to bring professional dance to a neighborhood studio. Kelly Parks, owner and director of MCDA, is celebrating 25 years of dance teaching experience. The goal of the Medina Centre for Dance Art is to enrich the lives of children and adults through dance. Strict disciplines for each dance form are followed and taught in a loving and fun environment. It is our hope that a strong dance education will improve all aspects of a person's life. We intend to encourage self esteem, self confidence, coordination, and flexibility as well as general physical fitness. Dance is an art form that has been loved and appreciated for hundreds of years. We will continue this love and appreciation in all we do.



Class Placement and Level

- * All instructors have your child's physical and learning ability in mind. All students will be placed in the appropriate level of classes according to his/her teacher's recommendation.
 - * Just because a dancer can do a step, does not mean that the step is being executed with proper technique. MCDA works hard to place every dancer in the appropriate level class.
 - * If your child is having a problem with the level of class he or she is in, please leave a note for his or her teacher. Sometimes changing classes or some extra help can make the difference. Private lessons are available. The overall progress of a class will not be held back to keep a dancer in class with peers or friends.
- * *Age requirements for all classes and levels must be met by August 30, 2011.*

Recital/Performance

MCDA participates in a full scale professional performance every other dance season. This is a recital year. Our **tentative** rehearsal and performance dates are **June 11-16, 2012**. Participation is voluntary. Attendance is mandatory at all rehearsals and performances if you sign up to participate. A Detailed schedule will be posted in spring.

A 50% costume deposit will be due by October 15, 2011 and the balance will be due February 18, 2012.

Costumes fees are as follows:

Preschool & Kinder Combo -	\$60.00
Elementary Beginner Levels-	\$70.00
Other Levels and Classes -	\$80.00.

All dancers will need to have the appropriate dress code shoes. Good class attendance is expected from all students. Students who miss too many classes and/or choreography may not be allowed to perform. **No refunds will be given for costumes for any reason. All costume sales are final.**

More Info and Details

Tech Rehearsal—this rehearsal is a “short get acquainted” with the theatre rehearsal. It gives the tech crew an opportunity to work on all the lighting, sound and other special effects. Dancers are there for about 20 –30 minutes. Rehearsal will start about 3:00 p.m. (schedule will be posted in early May.)

Dress Rehearsal—Dress rehearsal is a rehearsal designed to help dancers, back stage helpers, staff and crew practice in show order. Everyone has a chance to get timing down, and be sure there are no costume, prop or scenery glitches. (sometimes this is a long late night). We will rehearse our “Finale” with the entire cast 1st at 5:00 –6:00, then we will take a short break, send dancers to their dressing rooms and start running the show in order around 6:30. Dancer are dismissed when they have finished their last number.

Show— Curtain is at 7:00 p.m. both nights. Dancer will need to arrive between 5:30– and 6:45 depending on their age. (schedule will be posted in early May.) The MCDA staff works hard to provide our audience with a very entertaining, high energy, fast paced show that everyone will enjoy. The show is usually 2—2.5 hours (including intermission). **All dancers are required to stay for the entire show.** To ensure things run smooth and everyone is well taken care of, we have several safety procedures in place to keep all our dancers, happy healthy and safe back stage. Dancers are checked/sign-in and out and only approved/trained volunteers are permitted back stage.

Details about Recital Tee's, Show DVD's, Professional Photography will be available in early spring.

Dress Code

To ensure proper body alignment, placement and to aid in proper instruction and discipline, **a Dress Code is enforced**. Continual improper attire will result in the student being dismissed from class. Students must adhere to the following dress code:

Creative Movement, Kinder and Elementary Dance

Solid Colored Leotards Only, **NO PRINTS!!**
Pink, Suntan, or White SOLID Colored Tights (NO PRINTS!!)
White Tap shoes and Pink Leather Ballet Slippers



All Ballet Classes

Solid Colored Leotards
Pink or Black tights (no suntan!)
Pink ballet shoes.
Hair should be in a secure bun, and pulled back off of the face.
~ NO Tank tops, camis, or athletic shorts over your leotards please. Ballet shorts and skirts at teacher's discretion.



Jazz/Hip Hop Classes

Any solid colored leotard or tank top and black Jazz pants, Capri's, or Dance shorts with tights underneath. Black split-sole slip on jazz shoes. No dance sneakers. **NO BAGGY T-SHIRTS OR SWEATSHIRTS, NO STREET CLOTHES.**



All Tap Classes

Any solid colored leotard or tank top, black Jazz pants, Capris or Dance shorts with tights underneath. Black leather oxford style tap shoes tie or slip on. **NO BAGGY T-SHIRTS OR SWEATSHIRTS, NO STREET CLOTHES.**



Modern/Lyrical/Contemporary

Any solid colored leotard or tank top, black Jazz pants, Capris or Dance shorts with tights underneath. Bare feet, or 1/2 sole sandals **NO BAGGY T-SHIRTS OR SWEATSHIRTS, NO STREET CLOTHES**



Acro

Any style gymnastic leotard or biketard and/or athletic shorts. **NO BAGGY T-SHIRTS OR SWEATSHIRTS, NO STREET CLOTHES**
Bare feet



Lobby Rules

- * If you are waiting during your dancer's class and have children with you, please keep them under close supervision at all times. For their safety no children are allowed into an empty dance rooms or the boutique at any time. Please respect the property of Medina Centre for Dance Art and ADS Theatrical Supply .
- * Only dry food is permitted in the lobby area. Please be respectful to the studio by cleaning up any crumbs or mess before you leave, including trash. Please return items to their proper place before leaving the studio.
- * Noise volume in the lobby area should be kept to a minimum as to not disturb classes.
- * Parents: Please be respectful to the instructor and class in progress by refraining from entering the dance studio while a class is in progress.
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- * ***The lost and found box is located in the main lobby.***

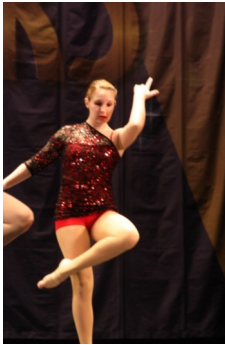


Parking Lot and Drop Off

- DO NOT PARK IN FRONT OF THE STUIO on Bishop Court, or in front of the white houses behind the studio. We will establish a drive up lane for pick up.
- There is parking in the lot behind the white house in back, across the street and other public parking areas, a detailed map will be posted in late August.
- **Children should not walk across the street unescorted** Please come into the building to pick up your dancer.
- Please be sure to pick your child up promptly after class (especially the last class of the evening.).
- **Children are not permitted to wait outside the building for pick up.** If they do not follow the rules we cannot be responsible for their safety.

Billing /Tuition

- Payments are due by the 1st of each month. You are given a 5-day grace period. A \$15.00 late fee will **automatically** be assessed to your account for all payments made after the 5th of the month.
- All tuition payments can be dropped off at the front desk, or the tuition mailbox in the lobby. If you are not able to be at class during tuition week, payments can be mailed or called in to avoid the late fee.
- Please write your child's name(s) in the memo portion of your check.
- Please inform the office of any new phone numbers or change of address throughout the dance year.
- There will be a \$30.00 fee added to your account for all returned checks.
- We do not bill or send statements for monthly tuition fees. We, on occasion, send statements for special events, such as, competitions, conventions, costume fees and "past due" accounts.
- Tuition is based on a 10-month season, which averages out to 36 classes. This includes all studio holidays and weather closings. You are purchasing a space for the 2011-2012 season beginning September 7, 2011 and concluding on Saturday, June 9, 2012. In making this commitment, you are responsible for payment of all tuition throughout this period.
- Tuition payments that are delinquent 2 months will result in the child having to observe classes only, until payments are brought up to date.
- If you must withdraw from a class due to injury, illness or moving, tuition fees will continue to be added to your account until the studio receives a written letter of withdrawal and or note from physician.
- There are NO refunds given for dropped or missed classes, **and you are** responsible for the entire tuition due. If a student registers mid month, you are responsible for the whole month of tuition.
- * Classes with enrollment under 6 students are subject to cancellation.
- *Medina Centre for Dance Art accepts payments by Cash, Check, Master Card, Visa or Discover*. Please make checks payable to: MCDA or Medina Centre for Dance Art
- Discounts are offered for multiple classes or multiple family members. **Unlimited tuition options are per dancer, not per family.**
- *There is a one time per year non-refundable registration fee of \$25.00 per family. See the Tuition Agreement Form for more information.*



Make Up Classes

- * If a dancer misses class due to an illness or other circumstance, they are encouraged to make up classes during other appropriate classes. Tuition fees will not be adjusted for missed classes due to illness, vacation, or outside activities.

Private Class

- * Available for students to work on skill gaps and improve technique. They are not offered as alternative to regular classes. Privates lesson times and scheduling is at the discretion of the studio director and the teacher. You must notify the studio a minimum of 4 hours in advance of your private lesson or cancellation or you will be charged for that lesson.

- * Private Lesson costs 1/2 hour class: \$20.00 45 minute- 1 hour class: \$30.00

Trial Class

- * The fee for a trial class is \$12.00. This fee will be applied to your tuition payments if you register for the class. Please see the front desk to fill out release forms

Bad Weather Closing Information

Closings will be sent via email to all studio families, posted on Channel 3 iAlerts and the studio voicemail. You will not receive a refund for a snow day, but you may make up the missed class.

VIEWING

In order to limit distraction, all classes are closed. Parents and family members may view the classes during specific view weeks. We request, if at all possible, that parents leave younger siblings at home during viewing. We realize that it is sometimes hard to do, but it does create a distraction to the classroom setting. This will just help keep distractions to a minimum.

Viewing dates are as follows:

October 24-29, 2011
February 20-25, 2012
April 23-28, 2012

