

## Dance Theatre Fairbanks

# Studio News

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## Parent Participation Week

Last season we had many requests from parents to make a parent observation week a bigger deal. We decided to not only make it a bigger deal but to turn it into a participation week as well.

Parents have the opportunity from Monday, Nov 12th through Saturday, Nov 19th to not just watch their child's class from a seat in the classroom, but to join in and take part.

Parents will be able to enjoy light refreshments, ask questions of teachers during question and answer time, and take a look around the building if they aren't familiar with our space.

Bring your cameras because

parents can take photos during class and a backdrop will be set up so students can get pictures taken with classmates or teachers. Photos are a great way to share with friends and family members all the wonderful things they have been doing in class.

Students can forgo the colored dress code and opt for their favorite leo, their special dance skirt, or that fun colored pair of tights they have been waiting to wear. They still have to be in dance attire, but this is the chance to show their dance spirit and have a little

fun.

For more information visit your knowledgeable front desk staff.

If you have suggestions on how to make this a wonderful week for your student, please let us know!



### Special points of interest:

- Parent Participation Week  
November 12th—19th
- Barnes and Noble Bookfair  
Sunday, November 27th  
10am-10pm

## Barnes and Noble Bookfair

DTF is hosting a fundraiser at Barnes 'n' Noble on Sunday November 27th.

The Aurora Dance Ensemble will be performing throughout the day on our special stage. We will be handing out stickers to children and information about our spring semester and winter performance.

If you mention DTF's name

or show a voucher at checkout and in the coffee shop, B&N will donate a portion of your purchase to our studio. There is no extra cost to you and it is a great fundraiser for us!

Pick up some flyers at the front desk and pass them out to all your friends. There is a voucher attached to this newsletter that can be

printed as well.

The Bookfair works online! so use our ID #(10480044) at checkout from November 27 - December 2 to benefit our fundraiser.

We will be doing giftwrapping as well, which means you can pick up your Christmas gifts, get them wrapped, and support your dance studio!

## Volunteer Help

We still need volunteers for the Winter Showcase!

If you can take packets to local businesses, or plan the lobby set-up, or run up and down stairs to relay messages then you can be a volunteer. Please contact MaryAnn Fey, your volunteer coordinator, to sign up for a job or to find out more information.

Thank you in advance! Your hard work keeps this studio going.



## Program Notes

A special treat that DTF likes to do during performances is offer parents a chance to congratulate their performers in the program.

For \$10 you can put a note in the program on the 'Notes to Dancers' page. It can be a max of 25 words, but can be to anyone. Thank a parent for their support, congratulate a student on a job well done, or dedicate a performance to a loved one.

If you would like to have a note in the Winter Showcase ask at the front desk for a form, then turn it and your \$10 in and they will do the rest. Deadline for submissions is Monday, December 5th.

## Winter Showcase

Dance Theatre Fairbanks' Winter Showcase will be December 9th, 10th, and 11th. Come watch the Aurora Dance Ensemble perform two segments of the mini ballet "Four Seasons" as well as other pieces by DTF classes.

The performance will be held in our own Edna Wise Firehouse Theater. It is our annual canned food drive to benefit the Fairbanks Food Bank.

Tickets will be \$12 for regular admission and \$8 if you bring in 4 cans of food.

Performance times are 7pm on Friday, 2pm and 7pm on Saturday, and 4pm on Sunday. You can pick up tickets at the studio starting Monday, December 5th. Children under the age of 12 will only be performing in the matinee performances.

Four Seasons Performance  
December 9th at 7pm, 10th at  
2pm and 7pm and 11th at 4pm

## Thanksgiving Break

To celebrate Thanksgiving, Dance Theatre Fairbanks will be closed for four days. There will be no classes from Thursday, November 24th through Sunday November 27th. DTF wishes you and yours a very happy thanksgiving!



## Aurora Dance Ensemble Auditions

Aurora Dance Ensemble Auditions will be held Friday, January 6th at 4pm.

If you would like to be a part of this wonderful performing group come to the audition in a black leotard, pink tights, hair in a bun with a headshot and a summary of your dance background.

Requirements for acceptance:

\*Minimum age of 11

\*Average GPA of 3.0 or higher

\*Attend 2 Ballet and 2 other classes per week.

\*Commit to Friday and Saturday rehearsals as well as others.

The Ensemble (formerly DTF Company) does special performances throughout the year and offers students additional opportunities to expand their dance experience. It requires a high level of commitment

and responsibility but is a wonderful benefit for any interested dancer.

If you have questions contact Miss Jessica Cooper or Mr. Jay Howe.

You can read the contract in detail and find out more information by visiting the DTF website and going to the Ensemble page.

## Spring Enrollment

### Did you know that you will need to re-enroll in your classes for the Spring semester?

Enrollment does not transfer automatically for new semesters. Let us know that you are still interested in your class for the Spring semester!

Enrollment opens December 12th for current students.

Registration opens December 19th for new students.

Enroll early to ensure your spot is not taken. It is as easy as stopping by the front desk and asking them to enroll the student in the class for the spring.

Talk with your instructor if you are interested in finding out about level changes or trying a different class.



Remember we have lots of different classes so consider trying something new this semester!

There may be small changes to the schedule so double and triple check that you are enrolling in the correct class and that it is the time, day, and instructor you are expecting.

If you have a friend that you think will want to take class grab a flyer from the front desk and take it to them! If they mention that you referred them when they register you will receive a \$10 one time, discount on monthly tuition!

## Peter Pan Sign Up

This spring DTF is doing the show 'Peter Pan'!!!

It will be a fun family show that incorporates all the members of the family. We are making it our own story with dancing pirates, swimming mermaids, and sparkling London stars.

If you want to be a part of this production all you

"Dancing pirates, swimming mermaids, and sparkling London Stars!!! Oh My!"

have to do is sign up!

Ask at the front desk for the form and they will set you up with what you need.

Rehearsals will be on Saturdays at a specified time depending on your age group. Grab a schedule to find out when your group is practicing.

The performance fee for Peter Pan is \$175 per student. This attempts to

cover some of the cost of rehearsal time and costumes. All fees, including performance fees are due at the time of sign up.

Registration opens December 12th for current students, 19th for new students. You have to act fast because the deadline for signing up is **January 28th**. No Exceptions!!

Rehearsals begin the 20th of January and go until May 19th.

The performance will be two weekends: May 25-27 and June 1-3.

## Peter Pan Auditions

Do you think you have a little something special? Do you feel you are ready for a special role in a fun and fantastic production?

Then check out the Peter Pan Auditions.

We are looking for many character and technical leads and need the members of our studio to step up!

Ask the front desk about what

roles you can audition for!

The Auditions will be held Saturday January 7th at 2pm.

Please show up in appropriate dance attire with a headshot and a description of your dance style!

Parents don't be shy! We have a few roles that may be perfect for the mom or dad that wants to get back into performing!



**We can fly! We can fly! We can FLY!!!**



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## Jeremy Knutson 'Groove-On' Hip Hop Workshop

Dance Theatre Fairbanks will be hosting Jeremy Knutson, an acclaimed hip hop artist for the week of January 9th– 14th.

This special guest will be instructing a one week Hip Hop workshop intensive for multiple ages and ability levels. He has taught for us in the past and we are very excited to have him again. His experience with growing dancers makes him an excellent teacher and mentor to students of any skill level. This is a rare opportunity for Fairbanks and should be taken advantage of!

Jeremy will be accompanied by Jordan Julian, a former Young American and an interesting up and coming artist. He will be assisting Mr Knutson during the intensive and will stay in Fairbanks the following week to continue with

classes at DTF.

In addition to the intensive at our studio, Jeremy and Julian will be teaching workshop classes in schools around town. This is their way of sharing their knowledge and passion with our community and engaging local students in a constructive form of expression.

Workshop fees are not part of normal tuition and require separate registration and payment. If you are interested in this workshop please stop by the front desk and pick up a flyer. Sign Ups begin December 12th.

This workshop will have something for everyone so tell all your friends and ask them to join us for a fun and inspiring week!



Workshop Fees	
45min Class =	\$15 ea
1hr Class =	\$20 ea
Receive \$2 off if you show your military ID	



POSSIBLE schedule for January 9th- 14th (Rough Draft)

### Jeremy Knutson 'Groove-On' Hip Hop Workshop

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
4:30-5:15 Age 7-8	4:30-5:15 Age 5-6	4:30-5:30 9-12 Beginning	4:30-5:15 Age 7-8	4:30-5:30 9-12 Beginning	4:30-5:15 Age 5-6
5:30-6:30 13+ Beginning	5:30-6:30 9-12 Advanced	5:30-6:30 13+ Beginning	5:30-6:30 9-12 Advanced	5:30-6:30 13+ Beginning	5:30-6:30 9-12 Advanced
6:30-7:30 Adult	6:30-7:30 13+ Advanced	6:30-7:30 Adult	6:30-7:30 13+ Advanced	6:30-7:30 Adult	6:30-7:30 13+ Advanced