



A very happy new year to you and yours!

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... a person or thing widely admired, especially for having great influence or significance in a particular sphere.

We are excited to share with our students and families this year's recital theme: **Let's Make it Iconic**. Get ready for an exciting and entertaining recital weekend celebrating icons of the arts (music artists, theater, movies, and more)! Our teachers participated in the closest thing any of them will come to a Fantasy Draft; a 2-hour Zoom session where they took turns announcing, negotiating, and playfully arguing over artists and songs for each of their classes.

Recital Information Reminders:

Rehearsal Date (Mandatory): Thurs, June 15th

Recital Dates (Mandatory): Fri, June 16th, and Sat, June 17th

Location: Uptown! Knauer Performing Arts Center, West Chester

Please take a look at the above dates and ensure that your dancers are available. We will specify which show/s each student is in as we get closer but we ask now that **all dancers are available for the duration of the weekend**. If there is a conflict, please let us know now as classes will begin learning and preparing their performance pieces.

Month in Review:

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Student Spotlight

Meet Sofia Alban & Olivia Alonso



They both have "A" last names, one has the same middle name as the other's first, they go to the same grade school, 1st grade (different classes), and bounce around in Miss Desiree's hip-hop class together. Miss Kristin enjoyed interviewing these two...enjoy!

How old are you?

S: 6

O: *I'm 6 but am going to be 7 soon and am going to go to Urban Air for my Birthday!*

How long have you been dancing at DCDC?

O: 3 years

S: *I think 4 for me*

O: *Yea, I think 4 for me too. I think I've been in 2 recitals, but I don't know.*

Miss K: *So... a couple of years?*

O & S: *Yep!*

Favorite part about coming to dance?

O: *Dancing, and getting to see my friends*

S: *Yea, I like dancing with my friends*

Favorite Dance Styles?

S: *Hip-Hop*

O: *Acro*

Funniest thing that has ever happened in dance?

O: *Hmmm... I'm not sure?*

S: *When Julianna said she found her hip-hop shoes in the hamper... that was so funny!*

Was Christmas good to you both this year?

S: *I got a puppy! Honey!*

O: *Yes! I got a gymnastics bar!*



Bake Sale This Saturday, 1/7



Bring your change and grab a snack this Saturday on your way to or from dance this Saturday, 1/7. Proceeds help support the competition team's trip to Nationals, Summer 2024.

January Birthday Shout Outs

- Harper Catania, 1/1**
- Claire Moon, 1/2**
- Grace Giandonato, 1/2**
- Oliva Alonso, 1/6**
- Nikoletta Pavlou, 1/10**
- Chioma Nwosu, 1/14**
- Julianna Cotter, 1/16**
- Lacy Robinson, 1/26**
- Avery Thompson, 1/28**
- Mia Scarpato, 1/31**



What's Coming Up?

- **Jan 16th:** Studio Closed, MLK Day
- **Feb 1st:** Costume Balances Due
- **Feb 13th - 18th:** Studio Spirit Week
- **Feb 20th:** Studio Closed, President's Day
- **March 15th:** Recital Fee Due
- **Apr 4th - 10th:** Studio Closed, Spring Break
- **May 26th - 29th:** Studio Closed, Memorial Day
- **Jun 15th - 17th:** 2023 Rehearsal and Recitals

