The Spirit of Dance
Performance Troupe Information

“For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example that you should walk IN HIS STEPS.”
1 Peter 2.21

The “In His Steps” performance troupe is a group of dancers who are striving for more. We are a ministry-based group focusing on outreach in the community through dance, and excellent dance training. These dancers will be more committed than the recreational dancer for a few different reasons:

- dancing 2 days a week
- extra performances in the community (3-5 a year)
- being in our annual Christmas show “The Legend of the Candy Cane”
- and performing & working in multiple shows for the Spring Recitals

To be a part of this group you will need to have had 2 years of previous dance experience, and be at least 7 years of age. You must also attend Spring Evaluations; which will be Saturday, April 26, 2014.

If you would like to receive more detailed information about the performance troupe, please contact either of us and we will email you the remainder of the information that we have put together for this program.

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**Spring Evaluations:**

Saturday, April 26th in the Lula Dobbs Studio

We will assign one of the following times for your dancer to be evaluated once you have signed up. Your dancer may be asked to stay for an additional hour for continued evaluation.

9-9:45am 10-10:45am 11-11:45am.

Attire for the evaluations will be black leotard, pink tights, ballet shoes, and hair pulled back securely into a bun or clean ponytail.

**“In His Steps Gems”**

“…she is more precious than jewels…” - Proverbs 3:15

Based on how many girls we have returning and new, we will be dividing them into “Gems” in order to make classes more manageable and to give more individualized attention and training. There will be 4 groups and possibly 5 or 6 depending on the number of dancers, the ages and ability of these dancers. Possible groups could look something like this:

- Rubies
- Sapphires I & II
- Emeralds I & II
- Amethysts
- Diamonds I & II

Group results will be posted & emailed May 21st. We want everyone to stay focused with their current groups until we have completed our spring recital. We also want to observe attitudes and dancing during performance time.

**Christmas Show:**

Our “In His Steps” dancers will once again be putting on our annual Christmas production. These girls are a huge part of this production, and each group will be performing 2-3 dances. They will begin learning these dances over the summer and in our summer intensive camp. So, it is very important to make these a priority.
Summer Requirements:

This year we will be having summer classes because we feel it is vital to continue some training during the summer. But don’t panic, it’s not as much as you might be thinking! Each group will be asked to come for 2 hours, 1 day a week, for 6 weeks. You only need to attend 5 out of the 6, because we know it’s summer and everyone goes on vacation. But if you can come to all 6 it would only benefit your dancer more. During these classes we will be doing 1 hour of ballet/choreography, 1 hour of jazz/choreography, a few girls will be attending an extra 45 minute *pre-pointe class (invitation only) and everyone will start learning Christmas choreography.

5 weeks= $100.00 (10 hours of instruction) mandatory
6 weeks= $110.00 (12 hours of instruction)

*5 weeks= $135.00 (13 hours & 45 minutes of instruction)
6 weeks= $145.00 (14 hours & 30 minutes of instruction)

Class fees due—June 2nd & 3rd, 2013

Summer Camp this year will be held July 31st, August 1st & 2nd from 9am-3:30pm. It is a big priority to do your best to have your dancer attend this camp, because they will be learning so much.

- Learning choreography for the Christmas show
- Working on technique in jazz/ballet/lyrical/tap
- Having guest instructors come in to teach master classes

Your dancer will need to bring a sack lunch each day, and we will be providing them with a snack in the morning. We will continue to use our pink leotards, grey tank tops & black pants this next year for early performances. New students will be required to purchase the leotard, t-shirt & shorts/pants. We will also offer our jackets again this year for those girls that want one.

Summer Camp fee= $175.00 mandatory

Camp fees due-July 14 & 15, 2014
Fall Schedule:

Please be patient with us as we are currently working on our schedule for the 2014-2015 season. We are waiting to see how many girls we will have participating with “In His Steps” this year, to gauge our exact class times.

-Required Classes

   Ballet/Performance Class
   Jazz/Lyrical class

-Optional Classes

   Hip-Hop - (1 hour.) following either Monday or Thursday class
   Tap - (1 hour) following either Monday or Thursday class
   Pre-Pointe & Pointe-(45 minutes) Invitation only class

Tuition:

   Ballet/Performance & Jazz/Lyrical = $85.00 per month
   Ballet/Performance, Jazz/Lyrical w/1 add’l class=$105 per month*
   Ballet/Performance, Jazz/Lyrical w/2 add’l classes=$115 per month*
   Ballet/Performance, Jazz/Lyrical w/3 add’l classes=$125 per month*

*The additional hip/hop and tap classes must have at least 10 girls per class to keep the prices listed above. If the numbers are lower the price is likely to go up $10 to cover the cost of the teacher each week.

If you have any further questions, please contact:

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