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**Note from the director . . .**

Welcome! We are so excited that you have chosen to dance with us! We are going to do everything we can to make this one of the best parts of your child's life. By reading our monthly newsletter, you will stay in touch with all of the great things happening at HSSOD!

I hope that you and your family had a fabulous summer! We loved our camps and classes at the studio, but I also took some time to experience professional growth opportunities.

I had an incredible summer with amazing dance opportunities with people that I love. Our dancers were chosen to lead the parade at Disney World. We created incredible memories as we danced through the Magic Kingdom and Epcot. We will go back again in 2021 - join us!

We went to Costa Rica for our third dance mission trip! We loved dancing with the kids in San Roque and Carrillos. Check out all of our pictures from July 19-28 on our FB page. I am so incredibly thankful for our team who served in beautiful ways.

Ms. Jillian and I headed to NY for the Dance Teacher Summit for our own professional growth! We took great classes and seminars to gain inspiration heading into the new season.

Springs Dance Company was able to take advantage of a fun opportunity with guest choreographer, Malia Burley. Malia is an alum of HSSOD, and is a current member of the Carolina Panthers Dance Team. I hope you caught their performance at our open house.

Did you see our new rock garden? Have your dancer pain a rock and add to it. What's up this season?

- Fall Festival
- Thriller reconstruction/Dancer Trunk or Treat
- Dance Theatre Performances
- Holiday Cabaret
- Two NY trips
- Recitals and so much more!



We are looking forward to the BEST year ever! We can't wait to witness your child grow this season. Feel free to contact me at: chappell@hollyspringsdance.com

Love, Marilyn

**Dance with us in Times Square AND in a Broadway showcase next July!**



HSSOD is off on a NEW dance adventure to perform in Times Square on National Dance Day, then to a Broadway theatre to share our work in a show with dancers from all over the country.

- Open to all HSSOD dancers who are currently 8-18 years old. Dancers should have at least 2 years of training.
- Pick up info in the office
- Deposits must be turned into the office by Oct. 14th.
- Please email Marilyn at chappell@hollyspringsdance.com if you have questions.

**We are so excited!!**



**Did you know . . .**

We have a study room designed for dancers who need a quiet place to do homework in between classes. Check it out in studio 144!

- **Do you have dance shoes that you can recycle?**
- **Donate them to the studio! Please drop them off with the office staff.**

# Help a dancer!

Do you have a way that you could support someone in our dance family? We can share acts of kindness in a variety of ways. Here are some ways you might be able to help . . .

- ◇ Offer to *donate gently used shoes or leotards* to share with others.
- ◇ Pay it forward; offer to *pay for a costume or one month's tuition for a struggling family.*
- ◇ *Organize a carpool* to lessen the burden of transportation.
- ◇ *Volunteer your services* (props construction, sewing, graphic design work, working at events) to help dancers organizing events.
- ◇ Pledge to *say something positive to every dancer you come in contact with for a whole week.* Who knows, it just might become a habit and kindness is contagious!
- ◇ *Be creative!* We're open to any suggestions! We work hard to reach out to our community, but we also want to take care of each other! Thanks for your help!

**Thanks to everyone who attended our Open House! We loved meeting new friends!**



*Want to dance in a reconstruction of Michael Jackson's Thriller? Any dancer ages 10 and up can learn this fun piece with Ms. Ella on Sundays, Sept. 29, Oct. 6, 13, 20 from 5:30-7pm in studio 148. The performance will be at the studio on Sun., Oct. 27th at 6pm. Join us if you can! 4-5:30pm Trunk or Treat!! More info in Oct. newsletter!*



## Fall Festival Is Coming!

Free family event here at the studio!  
Saturday, Oct. 19th 4-6pm

- Games
- Open Dance Night
- Performances
- Food Trucks
- Silent Auction to support Springs Dance Company

**Mark your calendars!**



## Costume Fitting

*Looking ahead . . .*

In October, we will begin taking measurements and ordering costumes for the Spring Recitals. Costume fees are \$65.00 for dancers ages 7 and up, and \$55.00 for dancers 3-6 years old. You pay one costume fee for each class that your child takes. Costume fees are due by October 10th. Thanks so much for your attention to this!

*Want to volunteer? We always have cool stuff going on at the studio! Let us know how you can share your gifts to make great things happen for our dancers!*

***We want to host your Princess birthday party! Let us create a day that your dancer will never forget! We are booking now for this season, so contact us for more info!***



# Upcoming Events

## Shining Stars

A dance program now in it's 13th season that creates a class specifically designed for kids with disabilities. This free class is open to anyone in the community who has a child that could benefit from this fun class. SDC members dance with these kids the 1st Saturday of each month from 10am-11am. See Marilyn for more info. Our first class is Saturday, Sept. 5th.

## Holiday Cabaret

We need dancers! Audition on Sunday, Sept. 22nd from 3-5pm for our Holiday Cabaret student pieces! Look for more info at the studio soon! Holiday Cabaret, our studios fundraiser for the Meg's Smile Foundation, will be held on Sat., Dec. 7th at Hope Community Church! We raised \$30,000 last year! Can we top that?

### Lets Get Social . . .

Follow us on social media to get updates, inspiration, and reminders!

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 @marilynhappellhssod

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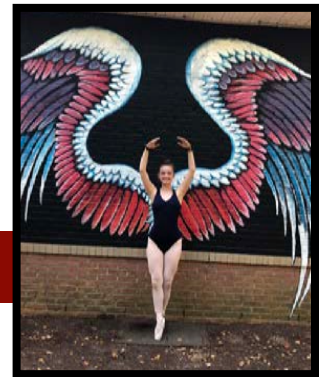
Only good vibes and positive everything!

## BUGFEST & Sparkcon

Sept. 21st- Museum of Science in downtown Raleigh will host "BugFest!" For years we have been the dance program leading kids through a magical adventure. Lets dance the lifecycle of a caterpillar through the "Hungry Caterpillar" book! Look for us every hour on the half hour in front of the State Legislative building. 9:30-2:30. Wear your wings! Free!

Catch HSSOD performing at Sparkcon - Raleigh's celebration of the arts! We will dance at the corner of West & Martin St. Saturday, Sept. 14th 12-2pm

Have questions about dates for the season? Check out our calendar on our website!  
[www.hollyspringsdance.com](http://www.hollyspringsdance.com)



# Calendar

## September

- 5th Shining Stars 10-11am
- 14th Sparkcon
- 21st Bugfest
- 22nd Holiday Cabaret Auditions 3-5pm  
\*Performance Dec. 7th\*

## October

- 10th Costume Fee Due
- 7th-12th Observation Week
- 19th Fall Festival 4-6pm
- 27th Performance of "Thriller"

## December

- 7th Holiday Cabaret
  - 14th H.S. Christmas Parade
- \*All welcome to participate!\* More info coming!

