



Dancer **DISPATCH**

Twentieth Anniversary!

Dancer is very happy to announce that it will be celebrating its twentieth anniversary this year! On September 4th, Dancer held a celebration commemorating this great accomplishment. In addition, we were honored to have the mayor of Utica, Robert Palmieri, officially deem September 4th, 2018 as “Dancer of Utica and Herkimer Day in the City of Utica”! Wishing a special thanks to everyone who came out to celebrate, as well as everyone who has supported and danced with Dancer for these past 20 years!



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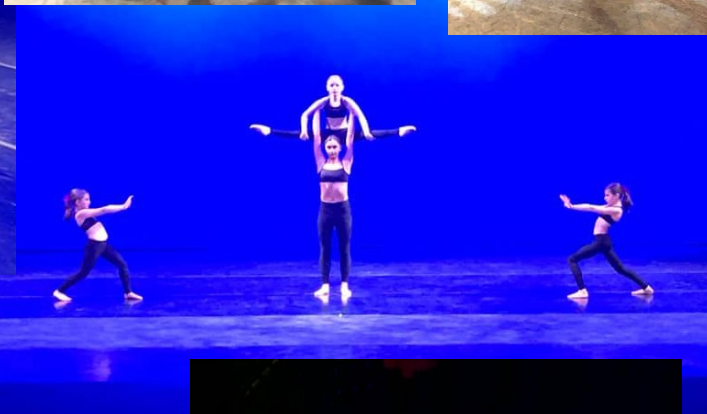
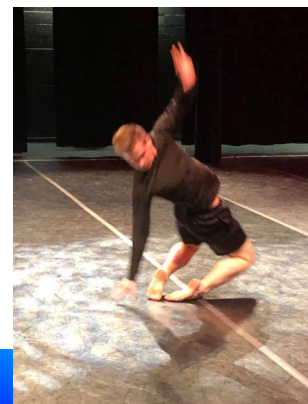
Dancer Wishes
Everyone a Very
Happy Holidays!

Dancer will be closed:
December 22, 2018— January 1, 2019

Dancing Through December

Step Into Christmas

On Sunday December 9th, Dancenter students took the stage at MVCC to present “Step Into Christmas”! Students performed pieces to Christmas favorites that they have been perfecting for the past few months. Dancers of all ages presented works of several styles including jazz, pointe, and contemporary. Thank you to everyone who came to support our dancers in this wonderful holiday show!



Trevor Jones Intensive

Join us for a special intensive with Dancenter alumni Trevor Jones! Come take a contemporary class on Friday December 28th from 2-3:30pm. To participate, you can sign up at the desk or online and the cost is \$20. Hope to see you there!



Check Out Our New Merch!

The Dancenter portal now holds a great selection of brand new merch! Start repping the Dancenter logo in cute hoodies, t-shirts, bows, backpacks, winter hats, yoga pants, dance mom jackets, and more! This new merch will make the perfect holiday gift for your dancer! Just go to the website and log into the portal.



Can Drive

Now through January Dancenter is hosting a canned food drive to help local food banks. Please consider donating — bring cans to either the Utica or Herkimer studio. Thank you!

Designer Purse Bingo Fundraiser

Join us for Dancenter's first ever Designer Purse Bingo on Saturday January 19th, 2019 at 6pm! This event will be hosted at the Herkimer VFW and is a fundraiser to help pay the competition fees of our Dancenter dancers. Bingo winners will win a designer handbag! Presale tickets are \$25; \$30 at the door. The bar will be open. In addition, there will be a 50/50, a bake sale, and raffle baskets! We would love for you to join us for this fun event that will help support our dancers!



- Congrats Eva P. for being featured in an add for a toy product on Amazon and for recently being featured in a Walgreens commercial!
- Elana G. recently played the lead in a short film called "Nameless". She is still in the running for Producers Award in the Celebration of Music. Congrats Elana!
- Congratulations to our Herkimer students who performed back in November in their school's production of *Aladdin*!
- Wishing Lorena H. a congrats for receiving this years Swifty's Scholarship of \$500!
- Congrats to Isabella S. for receiving the "Be Motivate" Award!
- Congratulations to Sophia G. for being named Student of the Month!
- Wishing Lia F. congrats on placing 3rd with her New Hartford Mitey Mite cheerleading team in the Tri-Valley competition!
- Congrats to Ganeva C. for being named Student of the Month!
- Congratulations to Camden D. for being awarded "Star Student"!

At Dancenter, we love knowing our dancers are out doing incredible things outside of dance. If your child is involved in anything such as a musical theatre production, special school function, or has recently had an exciting accomplishment, we would love to hear about it! Just email your exciting news to dancnter@hotmail.com to have it included in the next issue!

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Our Mission Statement:

It is our philosophy that the experience of dance should be positive and rewarding while learning the discipline required for to reach personal goals; be it furthering their career to dance professionally or to develop poise and coordination on a recreational level. Each class is structured to the age and abilities of our dancers and is taught by highly trained, qualified, adult dance educators. Our classes are designed to teach muscle development, coordination, balance, rhythm, grace and poise. Dancers will gain independence and confidence, build positive self-image and learn to interact with others. Our main objective is for each student to learn the joy and appreciation of music and dance. We strive to create an innovative approach to dance Training recognizing diversity, encouraging unanimous participation, and ensuring achievement by all students.