

# MINNESOTA CONSERVATORY FOR THE ARTS

FALL 2017



The **Minnesota Conservatory for the Arts** exists to provide quality arts education and performance by nurturing and encouraging artistic expression in children and adults. Our service to the community ranges from recreational to pre-professional performing and visual arts curriculum and programming designed to provide physical and aesthetic benefits, heightened self-respect, discipline, and confidence.



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## MUSIC

### Private Music Lessons

MCA offers private lessons for all ages and abilities! Our experienced teaching artists prepare students for a lifetime enjoyment of music. Private lessons are offered year-round. Instruction available in flute, clarinet, saxophone, trumpet, french horn, trombone, baritone, tuba, violin, cello, guitar, bass, oboe, piano, percussion, and voice. Students will be expected to purchase method books the instructor feels best address the student's needs. Students have the opportunity to perform during MCA's Annual Fall and Winter Concerts and other performance opportunities based upon instructor recommendations.

Package options (all lessons are 30 minutes):

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| 4 Lessons – \$72  | 8 Lessons – \$136 | 12 Lessons – \$180 |
| Lesson dates and times arranged through MCA. *Payment plan options exclude private lessons. Private lessons must be paid in full before scheduling lessons. * |                   |                    |

### Music for Little Movers

You and your child will squeal with delight as you wiggle and spin with Amanda to both original and favorite preschool songs. This class will explore new topics each week including colors, animals, and seasons. It is designed to develop your child's motor skills, tickle their ears, and create fun memories.

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| Sept. 6–27 | Wed | 10–10:30am | Birth–5yr with adult | A. Grace | \$32 per child<br>\$50 per family |
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### Jazz Combos

Jazz combos help students learn the art of jazz in a small ensemble setting. The Jazz Combo session will provide basic instruction in jazz-related rhythm, tone, style, concept, listening skills, and improvisation. The ultimate goal of these ensembles is to give interested students the opportunity to study and perform jazz ensemble literature. The combos will play at variety of community performances, TBA. All musicians and instruments are welcome, but space is limited. **10 classes.**

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| Sept. 5–Nov. 8 | Tues | 6:30–7:30pm | Gr. 6–12 | D. Gudmastad | \$99 |
| Sept. 5–Nov. 8 | Wed  | 6:15–7:15pm | Gr. 6–12 | D. Gudmastad | \$99 |
| Sept. 5–Nov. 8 | Wed  | 7:15–8:15pm | Gr. 6–12 | D. Gudmastad | \$99 |

Combo practice times are flexible and dependent on the needs of the members. Contact director with questions.



## VISUAL ART

### Choose your own ARTventure

During these monthly visual arts workshops, young artists will have an opportunity to build community and explore the visual arts in a unique way. Participants are invited to take a process-based approach to artistic discovery and skill building. Students will enhance their artistic decision making skills through a variety of materials such as: clay, watercolor, printmaking and more. Each session will include an introduction to the elements of art and how they guide creative process. Art Lab is a place for kids to join a community of artists, let their imaginations take charge, and to choose their own art-venture!

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| Sat | Sept. 9, Oct. 14, Nov. 11, Dec. 9 | 9–10am, Grades K–2<br>10:15–11:45am, Grades 3–5<br>Noon–1:30pm, Grades 6 & up | Brianna Haupt | \$54 |
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## THEATRE

### Musical Theatre I

Come experience the magical world of musical theatre. Students will be introduced to basic theatre skills such as stage presence, singing, dancing, and performing with a partner. Banish stage fright through games, group activities, and movement exercises. No prior experience necessary, but new material will be covered for continuing students. Families will be invited to an informal showcase at the end of the session.

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| Sept. 1–29 | Fri | 4:30–5:30pm | Ages 7+ | \$45 (5 classes) |
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### Homeschoolers Act-it-Out

Specially designed for Homeschoolers in the Winona Area, this class will encourage students to work as an ensemble as they build stage presence and off-the-cuff creativity. Students will enjoy exploring the world of theatre and improvisation, while experiencing the additional benefits of developing communication skills, confidence and self-esteem. On the last day of class, friends and family will be invited to an open house where students will present a variety of scenes & improvisation games. Exciting new material will challenge returning students.

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| Sept. 11–Oct. 31 | Tues | Ages 8–12 | 10:30–11:45am | \$35 (7 classes) |
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## Adult Dance and Wellness Classes

Parents who have a child enrolled in a Fall Session dance class at MCA can participate in an adult dance or fitness class at a discounted rate of \$20 for classes.

### Hip Hop Cardio

A total body workout that won't feel like a workout! Hip Hop Cardio takes influence from all types of hip hop dance styles and fuses them together to create an hour of a high energy, high intensity, FUN exercise session! No dance experience necessary.

**Fall I: Aug. 30–Oct. 25** Wed 7-8pm Ages 14+ \$76 (9 classes)

**Fall II: Nov. 1–Dec. 20** Wed 7-8pm Ages 14+ \$68 (8 classes)

### Barre Sculpt

Are you ready for a new challenge? Make the time in your schedule for this high-energy, low-impact workout, taught by a PulsePointe Barre certified instructor. A unique combination of strength work and cardio intervals that will reshape your muscles while elevating your heart rate. You will leave stronger in both body and mind. Whether you have a limited or extensive background in dance, you will love this fast moving, fun style of exercise. Attend twice a week for optimal results!

**Fall I (A): Aug. 29–Oct. 24** Tues 7-8pm Ages 14+ \$76 (9 classes)

**Fall I (B): Aug. 31–Oct. 26** Thurs 7-8pm Ages 14+ \$76 (9 classes)

**Fall II (A): Oct. 31–Dec. 19** Tues 7-8pm Ages 14+ \$68 (8 classes)

**Fall II (B): Nov. 2–Dec. 21** Thurs 7-8pm Ages 14+ \$68 (8 classes)



### Family Programs

With busy work and school schedules we know it can be hard to find time to do things as a family, so in addition to producing a variety of music, theatre and dance performances for you and your family to enjoy, we have the following classes that will help families make memories and learn together.

**My Grown-up and Me** — Ages 18mo.-3 years with a caregiver.  
*See Early Childhood Dance*

**Music for Little Movers** — Ages 0-5 with a caregiver. *See Music*

### Family Irish Dance

Will your family be ready for St. Patrick's Day this year? This is your chance to spend quality time as a family making memories that will last a lifetime, as you exercise and learn basic Irish jigs, reel steps, and ceili dances. **No class Sept. 4.**

Aug. 28–Nov. 13 Mon 4:45–5:45pm Ages 5+ \$99 per family (11 classes)

### NEW! Yoga

Start your week off right with Yoga! Get ready to improve your flexibility and build strength as you move through yoga postures and relaxation exercises. **No class Sept. 4.**

**Fall I: Aug. 28–Oct. 23** Mon 7-8pm Ages 14+ \$68 (8 classes)

**Fall II: Oct. 30–Dec. 18** Mon 7-8pm Ages 14+ \$68 (8 classes)

### Teen and Adult Ballet Technique and Barre Conditioning

An introduction to ballet technique incorporating exercises from barre conditioning classes. All levels are welcome. Experience the artistry of ballet while gaining flexibility, placement, strength, and fluidity. **No class Sept. 4.**

**Fall I: Aug. 28–Oct. 23** Mon 5:45–7pm Ages 14+ \$72 (8 classes)

**Fall II: Oct. 30–Dec. 18** Mon 5:45–7pm Ages 14+ \$72 (8 classes)

### Teen and Adult Tap I

An introduction to tap dance. All levels welcome, no experience necessary. Join us for a foot stompin, toe-tappin' good time!

Aug. 31–Nov. 16 Thurs 8–8:45pm Ages 14+ \$90 (12 classes)

### NEW! Teen and Adult Tap II

Tap dance for teens and adults with experience looking for an additional challenge. Classes will include expanded tap terminology, combinations, and technical concepts.

Aug. 31–Nov. 16 Thurs 8–9:15pm Ages 14+ \$108 (12 classes)



### Family Arts Academy

Family Arts Academy workshops are **FREE** monthly themed multi-arts experiences that invite the whole family to learn new skills, meet local artists and have fun creating together. Come to one or all. Pre-registration recommended.

**Stomp**—Tues., Aug. 1, 5:30-6:30pm

**A Visit to Oz**—Tues., Sept. 12, 5:30-6:30pm

**Ninja Quest**—Tues., Oct. 10, 5:30-6:30pm

**Let's Go to the Movies**—Tues., Nov. 14, Begins at 5:30 pm. Special performance and movie night for the whole family!

**Be Our Guest**—Tues., Dec. 12, 5:30-6:30pm



# DANCE

## Ballet

### Pre-Ballet for 4 year-olds

Playful and engaging first steps into classical ballet.

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| Aug. 30–Nov. 15 | Wed | 5-5:30pm | \$84 (12 classes) |
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### Pre-Ballet for 5 year-olds

An imaginative, technique based introduction to classical ballet perfect for your 5 year-old.

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| Aug. 30–Nov. 15 | Wed | 4:15-5pm | \$96 (12 classes) |
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### Beginning Ballet

Continued introduction to classical ballet. Designed to build coordination, strength, and body awareness through a range of creative techniques perfect for your 6 year-old.

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| Aug. 30–Nov. 15 | Wed | 5:30-6:30pm | \$108 (12 classes) |
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### Ballet I

Beginning classical ballet basics, including the introduction of barre work. **No class Oct. 21.**

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| Sept. 2–Nov. 18 | Sat | 9-10am | Ages 7+ | \$99 (11 classes) |
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### Ballet II

Fast beginning level of classical ballet.\*

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| Aug. 29–Nov. 16 | Tues  | 4-5:15pm | \$243 (24 classes) |
|                 | Thurs | 4-5pm    |                    |

### Ballet III

Intermediate level of classical ballet.\*

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| Aug. 29–Nov. 16 | Tues  | 5:30-7pm | \$297 (24 classes) |
|                 | Thurs | 5-6:15pm |                    |

### Ballet IV

Fast intermediate level of classical ballet including pre-pointe class (for female students).\* **No class Sept. 4 and Nov. 17 (4:30 pm only).**

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| Aug. 28–Nov. 17 | Mon | 5:45-7:15pm | Females: \$405 (34 classes) |
|                 | Fri | 4:30-6pm    | Males: \$206                |
|                 | Fri | 6-7pm       | (22 classes, no pre-pointe) |

### Ballet V

Fast intermediate level of classical ballet including pre-/beginning pointe technique (for female students).\* **No class Sept. 4, Oct. 21, and Nov. 17.**

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| Aug. 28–Nov. 19 | Mon  | 4-5:30pm     | Females: \$825<br>(69 classes/103.5 hours) |
|                 | Tue  | 7-8:30pm     |  |
|                 | Thur | 4:15-6:15pm  | Males: \$477<br>(57 classes, no pointe)    |
|                 | Fri  | 4:30-6pm     |  |
|                 | Sat  | 10:30am-12pm |  |

Pointe class (1 hour) as determined by instructor.

\*Class placement is by recommendation of the instructor.

### Ballet VI/VII

Advanced level of classical ballet including the appropriate level of pointe technique (for female students) and the choice of one appropriate level contemporary or conditioning class. Choices include: Jazz, Modern, Hip Hop, Barre Sculpt or Yoga. **No class Sept 4 or Oct. 21.**

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| Aug. 28–Nov. 18 | Mon   | 4-5:30pm     | Females: \$825<br>(70 classes, 102 hours) |
|                 | Wed   | 6:30-8pm     |   |
|                 | Thurs | 4:15-6:15pm  | Males: \$477<br>(59 classes, no pointe)   |
|                 | Sat   | 10:30am-12pm |   |

Pointe class as determined by instructor.

### Pointe Technique

Placement is determined by instructor. Tuition is included in the Ballet V, VI, or VII class fee.

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| Beginner Pointe     | Thurs | 6:30–7:30pm |
| Intermediate Pointe | Fri   | 6-7pm       |
| Advanced Pointe     | Sat   | 12-1pm      |

## Tap and Jazz

### Tap and Jazz for Kids I/II

An introduction to the fundamentals of tap and jazz dance. Students will stomp, leap, and turn their way through this fun, rhythm filled class.

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| Aug. 31–Nov. 16 | Thur | 4-5pm | Age 5–7 | \$108 (12 classes) |
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### Tap I

A beginning level of rhythm tap. Students will engage in rhythm games and tap exercises to build a strong foundation of tap technique.

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| Aug. 30–Nov. 15 | Wed | 6–6:45pm | Age 8+ | \$96 (12 classes) |
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### Tap II

An intermediate level of rhythm tap technique. Students will be introduced to exercises and concepts to increase articulation of sounds, musicality, sequencing abilities, and expand the student's tap vocabulary.\*

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| Sept. 9–Nov. 18 | Sat | 9–10am | \$99 (11 classes) |
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### Tap III/IV

A fast intermediate and advanced level of rhythm tap technique including the exploration of improvisation and choreography. Class units will focus on rudiments, canon work, and routines in different tap styles — both historic and contemporary.\* **No class Oct. 21.**

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| Aug. 29–Nov. 18 | Tues | 5-6:15pm      | \$230 (23 classes) |
|                 | Sat  | 10:15–11:30am |                    |

### Tap V

An advanced level of rhythm tap technique. Classes will include an emphasis on more complex rhythm patterns, syncopation, and musical phrasing, technically and artistically challenging choreography, improvisation, a cappella and canon work, tapping to live music/accompaniment, and opportunities to attend master classes and festivals.\* **No class Oct. 21.**

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| Aug. 29–Nov. 18 | Tue | 5–6:15pm  | \$230 (23 classes) |
|                 | Sat | 9-10:15am |                    |





DANCE

| Jazz I                               |     |         |        |                   |
|--------------------------------------|-----|---------|--------|-------------------|
| Beginning level of traditional jazz. |     |         |        |                   |
| Sept. 9–Nov. 18                      | Sat | 10–11am | Age 9+ | \$99 (11 classes) |

| Jazz II                                  |     |              |  |                    |
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| Intermediate level of traditional jazz.* |     |              |  |                    |
| Sept. 9–Nov. 18                          | Sat | 12:30–1:45pm |  | \$132 (12 classes) |

## Boys Dance Program

| Boys in Motion  |     |          |         |                   |
|---|-----|----------|---------|-------------------|
| Calling all super heroes, knights and future athletic stars, this dance class rocks! Specifically designed for young boys ages 4-6 years, to enhance athletic skills, flexibility, coordination and strength, while also being introduced to ballet and contemporary dance. |     |          |         |                   |
| Aug. 30–Nov. 15   | Wed | 5:30-6pm | Age 4–6 | \$22 (12 classes) |

| Boys Dance  |      |          |          |                   |
|---|------|----------|----------|-------------------|
| This high energy class just for boys focuses on building technique and strength while exploring classical and contemporary dance disciplines such as hip hop, ballet, modern and jazz dance. All experience levels welcome. |      |          |          |                   |
| Aug. 29–Nov. 14   | Tues | 6:15–7pm | Age 7–12 | \$22 (12 classes) |

## Early Childhood Dance

| My Grown-up and Me  |       |          |  |                   |
|---|-------|----------|--|-------------------|
| Does your child love to move? Children ages <b>18 months–3 years old</b> are invited to explore a new environment and connect with a special grown-up in their life. This class will stimulate coordination, balance and listening skills and will be filled with smiles to last a lifetime! Grown-ups attending will be asked to participate along with their child. |       |          |  |                   |
| Aug. 31–Nov. 16   | Thurs | 5:30-6pm |  | \$84 (12 classes) |

| Creative Movement   |       |          |         |                   |
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| Children will look forward to class each week as they creatively explore the world of movement. |       |          |         |                   |
| Aug. 31–Nov. 16   | Thurs | 5-5:30pm | Age 3–5 | \$84 (12 classes) |

### ALSO SEE:

- Boys in Motion — Age 4-6 (Boys Dance Program)
- Pre-Ballet — Age 4-6 (Ballet)
- Family Irish and Irish I — Age 5+ (Family Programs and Irish Dance)
- Tap and Jazz for Kids — Age 5-7 (Tap and Jazz)

## Modern Dance

| Modern I  |     |             |         |                   |
|---|-----|-------------|---------|-------------------|
| No need to lace up shoes, come and explore beginning level of modern dance in your bare feet. |     |             |         |                   |
| Sept. 1–Nov. 17   | Fri | 5:30-6:15pm | Age 6–9 | \$96 (12 classes) |

| Modern II                           |     |             |          |                   |
|-------------------------------------|-----|-------------|----------|-------------------|
| Intermediate level of modern dance. |     |             |          |                   |
| Sept. 1–Nov. 17                     | Fri | 6:15-7:15pm | Age 10 + | \$96 (12 classes) |

| Modern III   |     |             |  |                    |
|--|-----|-------------|--|--------------------|
| Fast intermediate level of modern dance, including exploration of contact improvisation and choreography.* |     |             |  |                    |
| Aug. 28–Nov. 13  | Mon | 4:30-5:30pm |  | \$108 (12 classes) |

| Modern IV/V   |     |          |  |                    |
|---|-----|----------|--|--------------------|
| Advanced level of modern dance, including exploration of contact improvisation and choreography.* |     |          |  |                    |
| Aug. 28–Nov. 13   | Mon | 5:45-7pm |  | \$135 (12 classes) |

## Hip Hop

| Beginning Hip Hop  |     |              |          |                   |
|--|-----|--------------|----------|-------------------|
| Get ready to move to the beat in this fun introduction into the world of hip hop dance with music and moves just right for your age. |     |              |          |                   |
| Sept. 9–Nov. 18  | Sat | 11:15am–12pm | Ages 6–9 | \$88 (11 classes) |

| Hip Hop I   |     |                 |         |                    |
|---|-----|-----------------|---------|--------------------|
| An introduction to movement influenced by hip hop music from across the globe including breaking, popping, and locking. |     |                 |         |                    |
| Sept. 9–Nov. 18   | Sat | 11:15am–12:30pm | Age 10+ | \$123 (11 classes) |

| Hip Hop II  |      |       |  |                    |
|---|------|-------|--|--------------------|
| An intermediate study of hip hop dance including breaking, popping, locking, tutting and hip hop inspired jumps.* |      |       |  |                    |
| Aug. 29–Nov. 14   | Tues | 4–5pm |  | \$108 (12 classes) |

| Hip Hop III/IV   |     |             |  |                    |
|--|-----|-------------|--|--------------------|
| A fast intermediate and advanced study of the movement influenced by hip hop music from across the globe including breaking, popping, locking, and tutting.* |     |             |  |                    |
| Aug. 30–Nov. 15  | Wed | 4:30-5:30pm |  | \$108 (12 classes) |

## Irish Dance

| Irish Dance I   |     |          |        |                   |
|---|-----|----------|--------|-------------------|
| Introduction to Irish dance technique. Students will learn basic jig and reel steps, along with ceili dances. |     |          |        |                   |
| Aug. 30–Nov. 15   | Wed | 5-5:45pm | Age 5+ | \$96 (12 classes) |

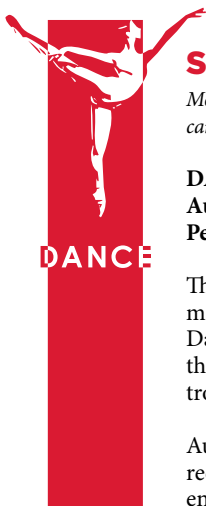
| Irish Dance II   |     |       |  |                    |
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| Continuing study of Irish dance technique. Students will learn basic jig and reels steps, along with ceili dances. Basic hard shoe technique will be introduced as students learn hornpipe, treble reel and treble jig steps, and set dances.* |     |       |  |                    |
| Aug. 30–Nov. 15  | Wed | 5-6pm |  | \$108 (12 classes) |

| NEW! Irish Dance III   |     |       |  |                    |
|--|-----|-------|--|--------------------|
| In-depth technique training in both hard and soft shoe will lead into step and choreography work. Set dances and ceili dances will be included with drills and technique exercises.* |     |       |  |                    |
| Aug. 30–Nov. 15  | Wed | 6-7pm |  | \$108 (12 classes) |

### ALSO SEE:

- Family Irish — Age 5+ (Family Programs)

\*Class placement is by recommendation of the instructor.



## Special Events/Auditions

More information about DRC, DRC II, and auditions can be found on the MCA website.

### DANCE REPERTORY COMPANY II: MOVIE MANIA

**Auditions:** Sat. August, 26 10-Noon, MCA

**Performances:** Dec. 1-3, MCA Academy Theatre

This exciting dance concert will feature ballet, jazz, tap, hip hop, modern and a special all-boys piece inspired by the big screen. Dancers aged 6-13 with at least one session of dance class under their belt are invited to audition for our junior performance troupe, the Dance Repertory Company II (DRC II).

Auditions are free and open to the public. Those cast will be required to pay a \$65 performance fee and will need to be enrolled in at least one dance class at MCA.

### DANCE REPERTORY COMPANY: CINDERELLA

**Principal & Soloist Auditions:** Sat., Nov. 18, 2:30-4:30pm, MCA

**Auditions:** Jan. 20, times TBA, MCA

**Performances:** April 19-22, Saint Mary's University Page Theatre

The enchanting music of Sergei Prokofiev brings Cinderella, the much loved fairy tale to life. With whimsical scenery, a romantic story and comical stepsisters, the Dance Repertory Company's production of Cinderella promises a dose of humor with the majesty of Classical ballet. Dancers aged 7 and up are invited to audition for this pre-professional production.

Auditions are free and open to the public. Those cast will be required to pay a \$70 performance fee and will need to be enrolled in at least one dance class at MCA.

## Dance Division Dress Code

MCA students are asked to follow the dress code that is posted at: <http://mca.saintmarys.community/classes-programs-2/general-info/> Adhering to this policy promotes safety and injury prevention, allows instructors to view the student's bodylines and placement to make corrections, and provides a sense of tradition, discipline and respect. Please note: No jeans may be worn for any classes.

## MCA Sells Dance Attire

Step into our dance attire boutique to be properly fitted for dance shoes and attire. The boutique is located in our main office and is open during office hours or by appointment (call: 507-453-5500). MCA can order leotards, tights, ballet slippers, jazz shoes and tap shoes. After fittings, orders are placed and usually arrive within a week. For our Fall 2017 session, orders placed by Sept. 15 will not incur shipping fees.

## General Information

**Registration Policy:** Students must register for all classes in advance; online (mnconservatoryforthearts.org), in person, or by mail.

**Age Guidelines:** All students MUST be the age listed by Sept. 1, 2017 and use the grade student will be entering in fall of 2017.

**Class Placement:** Placement for classes is at the discretion of the instructor. Students will initially be placed in an estimated level based on past experience and age. The first week of class is used as an opportunity for instructors to observe and evaluate students in class to determine the appropriate level. If a level change is needed, instructors will make this change within the first two weeks of the semester.

**Observation Policy:** Observation of **dance classes** is allowed *only* during Observation Week (Sept. 25–30) and Demonstration Week (Nov. 13–18). **Theatre classes** have a performance on the final day of class, in which friends and family are invited to attend. Classes and lessons are otherwise closed to observation.

**Weather Cancellation Policy:** MCA follows the Winona Area Public school policy—if school or after school activities are cancelled MCA will not hold classes. Private lessons may be held dependent upon instructor and student agreement. When possible an email is sent to students in addition to posting it on our facebook and twitter accounts.

## Tuition Packages, Policies, and Payments\*

**Tuition Policies and Payment Plans:** Tuition must be paid in full at time of registration for all students whose semester tuition total does not exceed \$150. For students or families whose semester total exceeds

\$150, a \$50 payment must be made at the time of registration. The remainder of the tuition may be paid in two installments on or before **Sept. 22 and Oct. 6**. A \$5 Finance charge will be added to late payments. Full refunds will be made on any classes canceled by MCA due to low enrollment. Written requests for refunds due to student circumstances will be honored in relation to remaining classes, but are subject to a \$15 Administrative Fee. **Payment plan and discount options exclude private lessons, camps, and 1-day workshops. Private lessons must be paid in full before scheduling lessons.**

**Scholarships:** Thanks to generous donors, grant funding, and fundraising efforts, financial need-based scholarships are available for families in need. Please apply online or in-person by **Aug. 15th** for Aug.–Dec. programming. Intermediate and advanced students 12 years or older can also explore apprenticeship opportunities in exchange for tuition credits, email [mca@smumn.edu](mailto:mca@smumn.edu) for more info.

**Family Budget Package:** Families with two immediate family members or more enrolled in an MCA class of any division receive a 15% discount off the family's total tuition. Discount may not be applied to private lessons.

**NEW! Dedicated Artist Discount:** Any student who registers for classes in 3 disciplines during one session (such as ballet, modern and musical theatre or tap, guitar class and Choose your own ARTventure) receives a 15% discount off their total tuition. Discount may not be applied to private lessons, one day workshops, or free programs.

**NEW! Refer-a-Friend Credit:** Are you already a member of the MCA family? If you have been a member of the MCA community in the past two years and you refer someone else who might enjoy joining us we will thank you by crediting your account with \$10 good towards any MCA programming. Credits will be made only after a paid registration is received and referral is recorded at time of registration. Current MCA families can receive up to \$100 per session in referral credits, but only one per credit per registered family.

**Adult Dance and Wellness Discount:** Parents who have a child enrolled in a dance class at MCA can participate in an adult dance or fitness class at a discounted rate of \$20. Class options are listed on page 3. This is limited to one class per parent during the semester in which the student is also registered.

**University Student Dance Connection:** If you are currently enrolled in a university or college, present your student I.D. when registering and receive a 50% discount off your total MCA dance tuition. Not applicable for private music or dance lessons.

*\*Tuition discounts or packages may not be combined; however, the most advantageous discount will be applied when determining tuition totals for each student or family.*



### Minnesota Conservatory for the Arts Registration Form (FALL 2017)

Students must register in advance online (mnconservatoryforthearts.org), by mail, or in person at the València Arts Center office. Please complete form, detach and mail with payment to MCA, 1164 West 10th St., Winona, MN 55987.

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age and Birth Date (if under 18): \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

School (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Emergency Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Please list allergies or special conditions for this student (e.g., conditions requiring medication or special attention): \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to make a donation to MCA in the amount of: \_\_\_\_\_.

### I AM REGISTERING FOR THE FOLLOWING CLASS(ES)—please print all information clearly:

| CLASS/LESSON/WORKSHOP | DAY/TIME | TUITION |
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| 1. _____              | _____    | _____   |
| 2. _____              | _____    | _____   |
| 3. _____              | _____    | _____   |
| 4. _____              | _____    | _____   |

*\*Tuition discounts or packages may not be combined; however, the most advantageous discount will be applied when determining tuition totals for each student or family. Discounts and payment plans may not be applied to private lessons.*

- Applying for Need-Based Scholarship
- University Student Dance Connection (50%)
- Family Budget Package (15%)
- Adult Arts Wellness Discount (\$20)
- Dedicated Artist (15%)

Referred by: \_\_\_\_\_

### TOTAL DUE AFTER DISCOUNT OR FEES:

- My tuition is less than \$150 and is due in full at time of registration.
- My (or my family's) tuition total exceeds \$150. I would like to pay \$50 today and the remainder in two installments, due on or before 9/22/17 and 10/6/17.

*I understand that by submitting this form I authorize myself or my child to participate in MCA classes. I have read the information in the MCA catalog about dance attire, observation of classes, tuition, scholarships, and payment plans and agree to comply with MCA's policies. I give permission to Saint Mary's University and MCA to use photos and videos taken of me or my child in class for the school's promotional materials. I understand that classes have a maximum and minimum enrollment and are subject to change or cancellation. I understand that MCA is not responsible for any injuries or accidents that may occur within a class.*

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Upcoming Events and Important Dates

All events at MCA unless otherwise stated, visit our website for more details.

| Date        | Event  |
|-------------|--|
| Aug. 23     | MCA Fall Open House & Art Giveaway                     |
| Aug. 26     | DRC II Movie Mania Auditions                           |
| Aug. 26     | MCA Student Lock-in                                    |
| Aug. 28     | Fall Dance Classes Start                               |
| Sept. 25-30 | Dance Class Observation                                |
| Oct. 2-6    | Bring a Friend to Dance Week (Level I classes & below) |
| Nov. 1      | Jazz Combos Performance, Figiulio Recital Hall         |
| Nov. 13-18  | Dance Class Demonstration Week                         |
| Nov. 17     | Master Class with Ballet Memphis                       |
| Nov. 18     | Principal & Soloist Auditions for Cinderella           |
| Dec. 1-3    | DRC II Movie Mania Performances                        |
| Dec. 8      | Fall Music Division Concert                            |
| Jan. 6      | 3rd Annual MCA Free-4-All                              |
| Jan. 20     | Auditions for Cinderella                               |



## Fall Open House & Art Giveaway

August 23, 4-7 pm

- 4-7 pm Meet MCA faculty, Second Chance Dance Sale, shoe fittings, register for classes, play on our 8-foot floor piano, coloring contest, win prizes and enjoy treats.
- 4:30-6:30 pm Explore "Echos" an art exhibit in Galleria Valência by Dan Eastman and then pick out and take home your favorite piece to hang in your bedroom!
- 6-7 pm Middle and High School students, come learn about MCA's new National Honors Society for Dance Arts chapter through National Dance Educators Organization.



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