

Artistic Dance Unlimited

JANUARY NEWSLETTER 2026



HAPPY
New Year

We hope everyone had a lovely holiday. We are so excited to begin the second half of this dance year. In the coming months we will be busy, busy, busy as we begin teaching the students their recital routines. Attendance is very important for our students to not fall behind in the choreography. If poor attendance occurs in a class, it may result in extra mandatory rehearsals before recital for the class. Private lessons may be required for those individuals with poor attendance. We understand sickness occurs and we do not want students to attend if they are ill. Please try to have your children to class on time as tardiness slows the teaching process. We thank all our students and parents who make sacrifices to attend and be at class on time. We know the New Year holds new and exciting opportunities for ADU and hope 2026 is a wonderful year for our ADU family.

Important Dates for 2026

- Spring Break..... March 16th – 20th
- Spring Parent Observation..... April 6th – 9th
- Picture Week..... April 27th – 30th
- Dress Rehearsal (Mandatory)..... May 29th – May 30th
- Recital (Mandatory)..... May 29th – May 30th

****Dates are subject to change or events cancelled.**



Studio Reminders

- Always read the newsletter and check dry erase board located next to office.
- Please remember the dress code and adhere to it! Hair should be in a ponytail if possible. If hair is too short for a ponytail it must be pulled back away from face with a barrette. Be sure your dance has extra hair ties just in case.
- Reminder: Tuition is late after the 10th of the month and a late fee is charged.



Recital Costume Information

All costumes have been ordered for the recital if you have paid all costume deposits. You will receive an email notification as soon as the costume balances have been added to your account. If you do not have online access to check your account, please ask in the office. Costume balances are due by **February 12, 2026**. After that date late fees may apply. Students will not receive their costumes until **ALL** balances have been paid in full. Any student unable to be in the recital is still responsible for the balance due on costumes. Costumes will be handed out the week of **April 6th – 9th** during Parent Observation/ Information. Dancers must have the proper colored shoes and tights by dance picture dates.



Inclement Weather Reminder

Don't forget to check your email, call the studio, or check our social media in case of inclement weather. We will make a decision on closings and send an email no later than 2:00 pm. **ADU does not follow any particular school system.**



ADU Sickness Policy

Please keep your student home if they are experiencing any cold/flu or stomach symptoms. Students should not return to class unless they are fever and symptom free for 24 hours.



Birthday Parties

Remember ADU offers Birthday Party packages. Birthday Parties are a blast at Artistic Dance Unlimited. We take care of the fun and hard work while you sit back and enjoy!! TO BOOK YOUR PARTY OR FOR MORE INFO CALL THE A.D.U. OFFICE AT (865) 982-1993 OR VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT www.adudance.com

ADU Dance Company Info & Reminders

- As the competition season begins, it is very important for everyone to stay positive, enthusiastic, and united. Parents, please encourage your dancers with positive reinforcement. Your job is getting them places on time, dressed, and ready. They, along with our help, will do the rest. Encourage them to practice at home. We do not focus on the awards given, but on the personal achievement of each dancer. Thank you to all the dance company members for all the time and effort you have put forth. We are proud of all four companies and think they are outstanding no matter what score they receive! Always remember you will receive the most accurate answer to your questions by asking Alette and Ursula. Please remember that we are professionals and make decisions based on our expertise.

Upcoming Dance Company Competitions

PLATINUM DANCE – MARCH 6-8, 2026 – Clayton Center for the Arts- Maryville, TN

FEES WERE DUE 11/19/25

Solo - \$155 per Dancer
Duet - \$88 per Dancer
Trio - \$70 per Dancer
Groups - \$70 per Dancer
Photogenic/costume/improv- register onsite
Title competition- All solos are eligible & included in solo fee

IGNITE– APRIL 10-12, 2026 -SEVIERVILLE CONVENTION CENTER, SEVIERVILLE TN

FEES WERE DUE 12/17/25

Solo - \$140 per Dancer
Duet - \$75 per Dancer
Trio - \$75 per Dancer
Groups - \$65 per Dancer
Photogenic- N/A
Title Competition N/A

TURN IT UP- APRIL 24-26, - DALTON CONVENTION CENTER, DALTON, GA.

FEES DUE BY 1/28/26

Solo - \$169 per Dancer
Duet - \$88 per Dancer
Trio - \$88per Dancer
Groups - \$71 per Dancer
Photogenic- N/A
Title competition- \$65

CELEBRATION TALENT – MAY 1-3, 2026 – KNOXVILLE CIVIC AUDITORIUM, KNOXVILLE TN

FEES DUE BY 2/11/26

Solo - \$160
Duet - \$85
Trio - \$75
Groups - \$75

STAGE ONE NATIONALS – JUNE 24-28th, 2026 – GATLINBURG CONVENTION CENTER- GATLINBURG TN.

FEES DUE BY 4/8/26

Solo - \$175 per Dancer
Duet - \$115 per Dancer
Trio - \$110 per Dancer
Groups - \$85 per Dancer
Title Competition – All solos are eligible and included in solo fee
Photogenic \$55

**** Please mark your calendars for all of the above Competitions and Fee due dates.**

**** ALL COMPETITIONS ARE MANDATORY FOR ALL DANCE COMPANY STUDENTS – NO EXCEPTIONS ****

*****Qualifying at a regional event is not required to attend Stage One Nationals.**

Thank you

Thank you to all of our students who have given us a Christmas gift. It was very thoughtful of all of you to remember us. We are enjoying the gifts!

~Alette, Ursula, Sharon, Jennifer, Camren, Cayla, Dana, Emily, Jillian, Kali, Kassi, Kayla, Kyla, Lindsey, Lisa, Shelby, Sierra, and the Teacher's Assistants!

