



SEPTEMBER 2025

DATES TO REMEMBER

SEPT 8 - AOTA Classes begin
SEPT 15 - Tuition Due
SEPT 15 - Commitment for petite performance squads due
SEPT 29 - OCT 3 - Friend Week
OCT 1 - Nutcracker Sign up and Payment Due
OCT 11 - Nutcracker Tea Event
OCT 15 - Tuition Due, 1st costume payment due
OCT 18 - NOV 15 - Fall Mini- Session
OCT 24 - 30 - Halloween Dress Up Week
OCT 31 - No Dance Trick or Treating
NOV 1 - Performance Squads begin
NOV 1 & 2 - Nutcracker Photos
NOV 7 - Nutcracker Ticket Sale
NOV 15 - Tuition Due, 2nd Costume payment
NOV 18 - Last Day of Fall dance
NOV 26 - 30 - Thanksgiving Break
DEC 1 - 4 - Nutcracker Rehearsals
DEC 3 & 4 - Dress Rehearsals
DEC 5 & 6 - Nutcracker Performances

NUTCRACKER TEA

October 11 || 2-4pm & 5-7pm
Join us for an enchanting journey through the Land of Sweets! Sign up through our Facebook page or www.offer.aotadance.com/nutcracker-tea

FRIEND WEEK

September 29-October 3
Bring a friend to Dance class! This is always a fun week for staff, dancers and friends! Free popcorn and fun welcome friend bags! We would love to meet your friends! Be sure to ask a friend to come and enjoy a free dance class! If they join, you get \$20 credited to your account!



Welcome to Dance!
AOTA Season 30!
Always Home

We are excited to begin the 30th Season of Academy of the Arts!

We welcome new and returning dancers and families to this exciting season of dance. We have a lot planned for this year and you won't want to miss a thing! Be sure to stay informed through our newsletters, emails, website (aotadance.com), and by joining AOTA Fam Facebook page!

New this year, our billing and attendance will be completely paperless. Be sure to activate your online account.

TUITION INFORMATION

AOTA monthly tuition payment is due on the 15th of each month. Be sure to set up your online account for all payments. You may pay cash or check prior to the 15th, or Credit Card on file will be charged monthly on the 16th. There will be a \$30 late fee for declined cards.

You must have a working card on file and balances paid in full each month to continue classes. Email Studiomanager@aotadance.com with any questions or concerns.

ALWAYS HOME MERCH

The **ONLINE** Always Home store will be open in the month of September! Be sure to order your merch! We will have lots of fun options, plus an option for our wonderful dance moms! Stay tuned for the website and signs around Miss Elizabeth's store for more information.

ACADEMY DANCEWEAR

The Academy Dancewear Store is open Monday-Friday, 4-7pm, during studio open hours. Dress Code Policy required dance shoes and dancewear are kept in stock and available for purchase. Be sure to follow the dress code for all classes. Academy Dancewear store staff are happy to help you purchase the appropriate dance class gear!

Don't forget to get your dancer a SNACK CARD for \$10! Good for 12 snacks!

NUTCRACKER 2025

We are so excited to perform the Nutcracker this year.

There are 3 performances on the weekend of December 5 & 6 at Western HS.

The following classes are invited to be part of AOTA Nutcracker performances;

Intro to Ballet, Ballet 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6, Teen and Senior Ballet.

Watch this month for details in your email and a printed note home.

The Nutcracker performance fee of \$125 will be posted to your account on October 1.

Participation is optional. Please inform AOTA front desk staff if you **DO NOT** plan on participating in the Nutcracker 2025 and the fee will be removed from your account.

COSTUME INFORMATION

Always Home Season 30 Performance will be held on June 6 & 7, 2026 at the Potter Center in Jackson. There will be 4 performances, 2 on Saturday and 2 on Sunday. Classes will be assigned to one or more performances. The week prior to the performances is TECH week. Scheduled mandatory rehearsals will be during TECH week. Performance assignments, specific information and schedules will be posted in January.

Costumes will be ordered early and must be paid for in advance. To help with the cost of the costumes, AOTA will divide the costume cost into 3 payments: October, November, December. These costs will be posted to your account in October, however only 1/3 will be billed each of the 3 months. The full amount must be paid by the December payment for the costumes to be order. Email Studiomanager@aotadance.com with any questions or concerns.

NOTE FROM THE OWNERS!

We are excited for new season at AOTA! We are so grateful for each one of you and what you mean to us!

Let's Dance!

Kate Price and Elizabeth Shaffer