

NW Dance and Acro Newsletter



Good Times and Good Sportsmanship

Competition season is in full swing and has gotten off to a great start for our dancers. Our recent win of the ADCC Studio Excellence Award at KAR for the most studio spirit, enthusiasm, and exceptional sportsmanship displayed during competition was a rewarding affirmation of the ideals we strive to instill in our students. We encourage our families to show their excitement and support at these dance events but not at the expense of other dancers. As members of the dance community and admirers of the art of dance, it is incredibly important to us to cheer for other performers as well. It takes a lot of guts to step out on that stage and we urge you to show your support with friendly comments or kudos to the other dancers. Please also be mindful of backstage rules by maintaining respectful behavior as a courteous observer, standing out of the way until it is your time to take the stage and keeping your voices low. We would also like to remind our families that, as members of the audience, it is best to move about the auditorium between dances, rather than during numbers, and not to carry on conversations during the performances. We thank you for honoring and promoting these ideals this season and for showcasing what a great environment we have at NWDA!

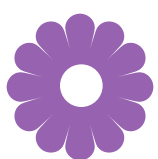


Dancer of the Month

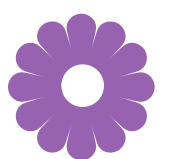
Congratulations to Vivien Palmer, our February Dancer of the Month! Vivien always gives her best effort in class and her bubbly personality is infectious and fun. When Vivien takes the stage, the joy and love she has for dance is evident in her performance.

Vivien began dancing recreationally at age 3 and it was love at first sight. She is currently in her second year as a competitive dancer (though she feels like maybe it has been 100 years!) and her favorite thing about dancing is learning and being able to express herself. She loves all of her NWDA teachers but Miss Augga has a special spot in her heart. Vivien looks up to fellow dancers Abby Hau and Sadie Barczynszyn but her favorite inspiration is her big brother, Lucas. During winter, she loves to celebrate Christmas and play in the snow and her favorite family vacation destination is Brazil. When Vivien grows up, she hopes to be a beautiful ballerina like Miss Miye Bishop. Outside of dance, Vivien is currently learning how to read because she loves books and she can also be found coloring, swimming, riding her bike, and having playdates with her friends. Vivien's favorite thing about dancing at NWDA is pouring her heart out while dancing and having lots of friends and strong role models.

In regards to dancing at NWDA, Vivien's mom, Priscila Palmer, says: "Vivien used to be so shy, afraid of everything and everybody. I credit dance for helping her grow into this beautiful 5 year old full of life and smiles. Also, dance has been teaching Vivien discipline, dedication, confidence, respect, how to focus, and not to be afraid of failure. "



KEEP NWDA BEAUTIFUL!



PLEASE REMEMBER TO PICK UP AFTER YOURSELVES!

DON'T FORGET TO CHECK THE LOST AND FOUND FOR MISSING ITEMS!



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