

The Dancing Astorian

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A note from Maggie...

First, thanks to everyone for helping to make ASB's first set of Bench Days for the year such a success! I hope you enjoyed seeing your dancers' progress thus far. They're doing great, and I'm so glad they were able to show that off for you!

It seems hard to believe, but we are quickly nearing the holiday season, and things around ASB will be picking up too. Preparations will begin soon for our Holiday Party, set for December 18th, and more details will be available later this month. Shortly after the new year, we will begin learning choreography for our large production in May.

Parents, thank you for your dedication and enthusiasm so far this year. It is much appreciated and can do a lot for a school's morale!

Dancers, keep up the good work! These upcoming months will be very exciting and I trust you are all willing to try your best and have fun!

Wishing you all a

Happy Thanksgiving!
Maggie



The BIG News

We are so pleased to announce ASB's 5th annual spring performance will be...

A Little Princess

This will be an original production based on the classic children's novel by Frances Hodgson Burnett.

Normally, this announcement would not be made until later in the dance year. This year though, is a little different and word will be made public soon. The Liberty Theater has asked ASB to perform as part of its Enrichment Series for schools from all over the county. This is a big honor, and we are so happy to be participating. The performances on May 28th will be part of this series for school children and may not include all of ASB's younger dancers. The performance on May 29th will include all ASB students and will be open to the public.

If you are interested in the story and are willing to take a little time, read the book. It's a great story, and will be ASB's largest production yet! There is even an abridged version for children ages 4-8.

A Little Princess (Hardcover, 32 pages)
Author: Frances Hodgson Burnett
Illustrator/Adaptor: Barbara McClintock
Harper Collins, 2000
Ages 4-8
Available at Amazon.com

A Little Princess (Hardcover, 200 pages)
Author: Frances Hodgson Burnett
Illustrator: Scott McKowen
Sterling Publishing, New York
Available at The Book Warehouse in
Seaside Outlets

Dancers Wanted

The Columbia River Maritime Museum has asked ASB to participate in an event at the museum on Saturday, December 6th. Some extra rehearsal time will be required but all students in level Intro Ballet I and above are welcome and encouraged to perform. Please let Maggie know this week if you are interested!

A Reminder About Bench Days

There will not be another set of Bench Days until after the New Year. They are scheduled for **January 26-30**. We hope to see everyone at the studio before then for the Holiday Party, December 18th!



Important Dates

Thanksgiving ~ No Class
November 27, 28

CRMM Event
December 6

Holiday Recital and Party
December 18

Winter Break
December 20-January 4

