

# River Raisin Dance Academy

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## October News

- *Parent Observation:* October 22 – 26. Windows and doors will be open for your quiet observation and support of your children.
- *Second Installment Due:* October 26. If you marked the automatic charge on your enrollment form, the office will process your payment during that week.
- *Our desk assistants* walk students between their scheduled classes. We ask that you please pick up your child at the studio of her/his last dance class. For safety, we ask that no student be allowed to walk unaccompanied between studios.
- *Costume Deposit* of \$25 per costume is due by the end of the month. Please submit payment to the office.
- Students should have proper attire and follow the dress code. Please make sure hair is securely off the face in a bun. See the website if you have any questions.
- Please note that the city of Monroe will be closing Cass Street for one week during the month of October. During that time, parents will have to use the Theatre parking lots. Please walk with your child when picking them up and dropping them off. We expect the students to remain in the building until a parent arrives.

## Katrina Snyder Thanks the RRDA

There is no question that without the RRCA, I would not be where I am today. Like many other small girls, at the age of 6 my mother enrolled me in ballet as yet another extracurricular activity. For a long time, that was all that dancing was to me . . . another extracurricular.

It wasn't until Gail came to the RRCA when I was 10 years old that I really started to take ballet seriously. She pushed us all to advance quickly and gave me a strong Cecchetti technical background while also working with me on performance quality.

At the RRDA, I learned self-discipline, a strong work ethic, and how to take corrections and apply them rather than be offended by them. I am proud to be a Cecchetti Diploma holder, Not only was the end result an accomplishment, but the process to achieve it advanced my training and gave me a deeper knowledge of the method,

I am very grateful to Gail, Melissa, Mike, and the entire RRCA for all they done for me over the last 16 years.



Katrina is currently dancing with the Tucson Ballet Company. She is a graduate of Western Michigan University with a degree in Engineering and Dance.