

October

Important Dates

October 19th: First day of classes at Hurt's Studio and Ribbon Cutting

November 18th: Fairytale Pancake Barre

SAVE THE DATE

Little Matchstick Girl on December 8th and 9th!

Ballet Term of the Month



Photo Credit: Kat Steinnon
Dancer: Ella, Pre-Pro Division

Penché

Penché means to tilt, or leaning. Usually done in arabesque, the dancer is over their standing leg with the other leg at a 180 degree angle. Penché takes a lot of back strength and flexibility as well as control, and is found in classical and contemporary ballets



Meet the Editor

Cindy is a sophomore at Middleton High School and dances in the Pre-Pro Division



Our new studio so far!

Melanie's Memo

Junior 1 just read the story of Coppelia, and they will start some choreography from the ballet as well
-Melanie

Junior One

Junior One is the first level that we offer. Students in this level have to be a minimum of 8 years old, and take two 75-minute technique classes a week. In this level, students work with Ms. Melanie all year and have the opportunity to choose to participate in Little Matchstick Girl. Each year, they do 2 excerpts from two different classical ballets.

I met up with Ellie, a dancer in Junior One, and asked her a few questions. Here's what she said!

Q: What is your favorite part about being in Junior One, and why?

A: My favorite part about being in Junior One is Little Matchstick Girl rehearsals. They are super fun, and I love them!

Q: What role are you in Little Matchstick Girl and what's your favorite part?

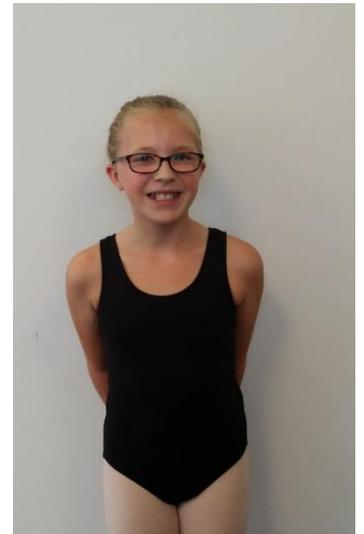
A: I'm a toymaker in Little Matchstick Girl. I don't have a favorite part, all of it is fun.

Q: What are you most looking forward to for the school year?

A: We are doing a Coppelia excerpt this year, and I'm really excited for that!

Q: If you could be any role in any ballet without any restrictions, who or what would you be and why?

A: I would want to be Young Clara in the Nutcracker because it seems really fun!



New Studio Update

Our new studio above Hurt's Donuts is almost ready. We will be all done and ready to dance on Thursday, October 19th, with a ribbon cutting ceremony that everyone is welcome to join! Thanks to everyone: parents, teachers, and volunteers, for helping. I can't wait to begin dancing in the new studio because the studio seems so big!