

# Buffa's Dance Studio

Celebrating 30 years!!!

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## Parent's Days Coming Up!

You are invited to your child's class to share what they have been learning. We'll see you the week of Dec 7th through Dec 12th the last twenty minutes of your child's class!

## Safety Alert

Please make sure that your children stay inside while waiting for you to pick them up. Particularly now that it is dark quite early, we fear for the safety of some who dart out into the night in the parking lot. Also, please do not double park in the shopping center while waiting for your children. This causes traffic backups and creates safety issues for the children.

# "The Nutcracker"

Burke Civic Ballet proudly presents The Nutcracker at Northern Virginia Community College, Annandale Campus in the Ernst Community Cultural Center.

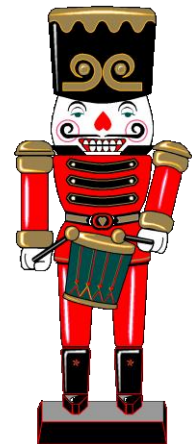
**Sat, November 21st at 2pm and 6pm**

**Sun, November 22nd at 2pm and 6pm**

This is a very child friendly and professional production. It is a great way to enhance your child's arts education. Please come support your friends and the arts with a wonderful, artistic, holiday tradition.

For ticket information visit [www.buffas.com](http://www.buffas.com) for online ticket ordering.

Prices \$20 for adults, \$15 for children and seniors. For special group rates email [buffadance@msn.com](mailto:buffadance@msn.com).



## Buffa's Merchandise

We have large and small dance bags, tote bags, garment bags, shorts, sweatpants and sweatshirts available for purchase. They make great holiday gifts for your dancer. Please see display in the lobby!

## Let it Snow

The studio may close when Fairfax County Schools close. Please call the studio for our status, as there are times the County closes when we can safely be open. We do not make up these classes. See the front desk to schedule a make-up in another class.



## Dance Attire

Dance is all about being an artist by using your body to create designs in space. That is why dancers wear leotards, tights, jazz pants, and dance sweaters which cling to the body to define and permit the execution of movements. Your teachers cannot properly help you if you hide the shapes you are making with huge sweatshirts, jeans and such. Your hair should also be pinned down and not in your face. You will be asked to observe class if you are not properly attired. Your best dance education requires that you be prepared to dance.

## Quick Notes

Label your equipment: Put your name in everything you own that you bring to the studio. So many of you lose valuable equipment. Please check the dressing room lost & found. Ballet Classes: Hair must be in a bun, or secured by hair band and bobby pins if too short for a bun. No shorts or tank tops are allowed in ballet classes. Parents of Tap Students (Ages 4-7): Please make the elastic ring so the tap shoe can slide on and off. The desk has an illustration. Also, put your child's name or initials inside the shoe.

## Visit our Web Site

Please visit our web site at [www.buffas.com](http://www.buffas.com) where you will find important Buffa's Dance Studio information. Our e-mail address is [BuffaDance@msn.com](mailto:BuffaDance@msn.com).

## Happy Holiday Season

All of us at Buffa's wish you the best for the holiday season... a time filled with love, happiness and good health. As always, we appreciate the opportunity to share our love of dance with you and your family.

- Buffa

## Calendar Notes

Recital Fee Due	Nov 2
Nutcracker	Nov 21, 22
Thanksgiving	Nov 23-29
Parent's Days	Dec 7-12
Winter Holidays	Dec 20-Jan 3
Spring Break	Mar 29-Apr 3
Choreo Showcase	May 1
Memorial Day	May 31 (closed)
Dress Rehearsal	June 12 - MANDATORY
Classes End	June 23
Recitals	June 24, 25, 26
Summer 2010	July 12-Aug 21
Ballet Intensives	July 12-16 July 19-23 July 26-30
Ballet Workshop	Aug 2-6
Dance Connection	Aug 9-13
Dance Camp	Aug 16-20
Open House Party	Fri, Aug 20
Fall 2010 Begins	Mon, Sept 13