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# NEWSLETTER

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Congratulations Dance Gallery 2 Dancers!! You put on a beautiful performance! You, your family and your friends can feel very proud to know that on December 7th at the Mesa Verde Performing Arts Center, your talent and efforts benefited so many other children. It was wonderful to see all the dancers and their parents working together! Of course, a joint effort like this takes lots of help and cooperation. So, on behalf of the Child Life Program at Sutter Children's Center (formerly Sutter Memorial Child Life Program) and the Dance Gallery 2, THANK YOU ALL!!!



The Dance Gallery 2 parade dancers performed on Good Day Sacramento before they headed to Disneyland to wow park-goers in the Disneyland Magic Merry Holiday Parade. It was very exciting to have Good Day to come to DG2 and for our dancers to experience a live television show! But, the huge thrill to perform as a Disney cast member in the Disney Merry Holiday Parade! Our parade dancers pose above with Nah from Good Day.

Radio personality Rick Batiste hosted our Holiday Revue performance. Many of our dancers and families may have recognized Mr. Batiste's voice from previous Dance Gallery 2 shows! He has been the voice that opens and closes our Holiday Revue and June shows for more than 15 years.

Doug and Miss Lucy have always felt fortunate to have such wonderful parents involved with the DG2. So many offered to help at this year's Holiday Revue, and this says a lot about the kind of people we have at the DG2 studio. It's a privilege to know and work with you! Special thanks to Lee Roberts, Kacy Golik, Kirk Caldwell, Theresa Reading, Sharon Boston, Cameron Zorzi, Alexis Tatarakis, Carolyn Floryanowich, Tim Golik, Dianne Carlisle, Lissette Johnson, Ashley Rudolph, Bill Griffin, Steve Glipa, Jamie Enscoe, and Amy Medovoy from the Child Life Program at Sutter Children's Center, and the US Marines. For more than nine years, the DG2 Student Teachers have worked with the U.S.

### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

Classes Resume	January 5th
Martin Luther King Day - No Classes	January 16th
Bring a Friend Week	January 25th - 31st
June Show Dates	June 23rd & 24th

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Marine Corps and their Toys for Tots toy drive. It was a huge success! The U.S. Marines in attendance at the Holiday Revue were thrilled to be there. Show Host Rick Batiste was happy to introduce the young men onstage and give thanks for their contributions to our country and to the Dance Gallery 2. The DG2 dancers would like to send out a "Thank You" to the U.S. Marines, and to Mr. Batiste for being our special guest host!

On December 10th, under the direction of teacher Julia Rodden, the DG2 award winning parade dancers were an awesome sight to see as they danced their way down the beautifully decorated Main Street U.S.A. in the Merry Holiday Parade in Disneyland. Over 1,000 dancers from all over the U.S., Mexico and Australia performed in this magical holiday event. What an incredible experience for both participants and spectators! It was great to see our dancers perform so well and to see the DG2 parents have such a wonderful time, too.

The DG2 parade dancers also represented the DG2 on November 25th, in the Loomis "Day Before Thanksgiving Parade" and were of course featured in our own Holiday Revue. Congratulations, DG2 parade dancers-- you have done yourselves and the DG2 proud!

The success of the Holiday Revue performance tells us that this year's June show is bound to be better than ever! While you were on holiday break, Doug and Miss Lucy spent time working on our upcoming June show. The mix of talented artists, choreographers, specially edited music, creative lighting and technical stage effects makes for an incredible stage presentation that is unforgettable. After many requests from our choreographers Miss Lucy made the decision to bring back one of the DG2 favorite original productions, "Lesson of Nature". This is what our DG2 families can look forward to in June!

One of the most exciting parts of a production are the beautiful costumes the dancers wear. Again this year, we will be ordering our costumes from New York. Costumes are "made-to-order" and can take 5 months to be delivered. Measurements for costumes will be taken in January, right after the holiday break. Miss Lucy has already begun ordering fancy fabrics!



Happy New Year! from Miss Lucy and Doug.

Miss Lucy originally wrote the show "Lesson of Nature" in 1999 and it was first produced and performed in June 2000. Most of our current DG2 teachers/choreographers were young dancers and Miss Lucy's students in that show and now would love for their own students to have that same experience. "Lesson of Nature" is a very involved and complicated show for our dancers to perform and a spectacle for our audience to see. Add to that the challenging design and construction of the set and props for our tech and backstage crew and WOW...the result is an incredible show! But we do know and understand that it is going to take many hours of dedication for everyone involved. Even though our tech director, Doug, built the set and de-

signed the special effects back in 2000, the set was immediately "struck" following the final performance. This means Doug and his crew will have to start from square one and re-create the beautiful stage set, which adds so much to our dancer's performance.

If there are any DG2 dads, moms, or friends that are good with a hammer or a paint brush, please let Miss Lucy or Doug know as soon as possible. It is a huge task. Any help is appreciated!

***The Holiday Revue 2016 was so wonderful! You can watch your dancer perform over and over again by ordering a professionally filmed DVD from EFX Photography. This year EFX has gone all out with new HD cameras and 5 angle views for you to see your "star" shine on stage. The order form is attached.***

#### **"INVITE A FRIEND" WEEK**

Remember how much fun you had in October when you invited friends to dance with you? The DG2 is doing it again January 25th-31st! If your friend decides to dance with us at the DG2, you can get a discount on February's tuition. Details will be available in class when classes resume.

#### **TEACHER FEATURE**

Julia Rodden is one of our most popular teacher/choreographers as well as a very strong stage performer! She has been trained in Ballet, Tap and Jazz Fusion since the age of 5 and currently works with the 8-13 year olds and the Adult Jazz Fusion class. She has been with the DG2 for

21 years and worked her way through the Student Teaching program, the Teaching program and moved very easily into being an accomplished choreographer. Though Julia excels in any dance genre, she really likes the challenge of partner work, developing and perfecting lifts and dips with a male partner.

Through the years, Julia has been recognized as a DG2 leader. She jumped into taking a lead



role 2 years ago when the sound equipment was stolen days before the June show. She was also active with the "Pave the Way" project in 2012, getting the turn lane built as required by the county. Julia is one of the creative minds relied upon for developing our June show each year.

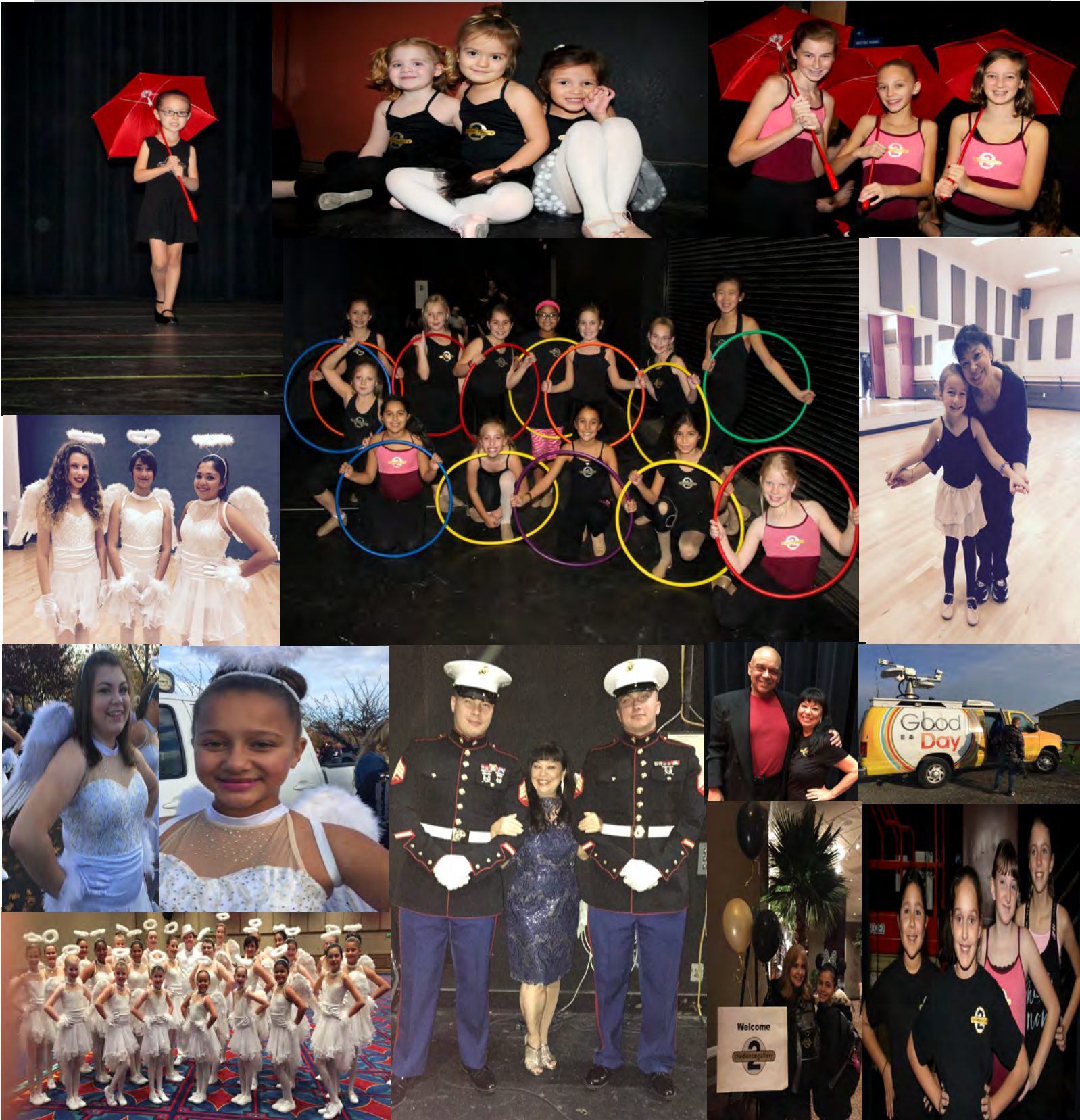
The past 4 years, Julia has also acted as the director of our Award Winning Parade Dancers. She has taken her parade students through rigorous rehearsals and formed them into a parade team that has won awards year after year. Again this year, Julia has trained the parade team to perform in the "Merry Holiday Parade", dancing down Mainstreet U.S.A. in Disneyland December 10. She takes so much pride in her students, her parade dancers and her position at DG2 and it shows!

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**NEW REFERRAL PROGRAM!** For each new student you refer that registers in January, you will receive \$20 off your February tuition! Remind your referral to list your name on their registration form when they sign up and the discount will be applied to your account. There is no limit to the number of referrals you make, therefore no limit to the number of \$20 discounts you can receive. This offer does not include immediate family. Offer ends January 31, 2017.

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### BACKSTAGE AND ONSTAGE AT DG2'S HOLIDAY REVUE 2016



Do you have photos of the Holiday Revue? Send them to us @ (Info@dancegallery2.com).

# "Holiday Revue 2016" - DVD Order Form

## SHIPPING INFORMATION

(Please print legibly)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Select a DVD:     6:00 Show       7:30 Show

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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