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maranatha school of dance & the arts



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studio news from maranatha



Our Core Values: Sharing Our Gifts with the Community

As the busyness of the season is upon us, we're reminded to pause and praise our Heavenly Father for the gift of Jesus! We pray your month is filled with meaningful moments with family, friends, and our dance community.

Join us as Maranatha partners with Cape Christian Fellowship for their outdoor Christmas Village on Saturday, Dec. 6. Come see festive performances by Momentum Company, MCrew, and MCrew JV dancers. Performances at 7 p.m. and 8 p.m.

We can't wait to celebrate the joy of Christmas together!

--Andrew & Amy



Discipleship Corner

MS. JAMI B.

This December, we're encouraging kids to keep their **Eyes Up to Follow Jesus!** Our focus is on learning how Jesus leads us and how we can follow Him every day. Our memory verse is **John 10:27** – "My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me." We believe that Jesus shows us how to live, and when we listen to Him, we can walk in His way. Through scriptures like **Hebrews 12:2** and **John 10:27**, kids will learn the importance of paying attention to Jesus' voice and choosing to follow Him with their whole hearts. Our big idea is: "I follow Jesus by listening and obeying." Let's help our kids grow in faith as they learn to follow Jesus in everyday moments.

Meet Our Staff



Madison D.
Piano Teacher

Ms. Madison grew up in Nebraska for seven years before moving to Cape Coral. She has been dancing with Maranatha for seven years and has played piano for nine. Her love for the arts extends beyond the studio—she enjoys playing and writing music, writing poetry, reading, and teaching piano. With experience in ballet, jazz, and contemporary styles, Madison brings creativity and musicality to her dancing and teaching. Her parents have served in ministry for as long as she can remember, and she values every opportunity to serve others through her gifts. A fun fact about Madison: when she was just five years old, she was a guest on a college football radio show in Nebraska!



Chloë G.
Dance Teacher

Ms. Chloë has been part of the Maranatha family for seven years and is currently in her second year of teaching! She has been dancing for 11 years, and her favorite styles are lyrical and tap—though she especially loves teaching ballet and sharing her passion with her students. When she's not at dance or practice, you can usually find her at the beach, shopping, or spending time with her friends and family. Chloë is known for her organization, creativity, patience, and dependability. She loves to have fun, stay active, and enjoy life's little moments—whether that's crafting, grabbing good food, or getting her nails done! A fun fact about Chloë: she recently started running track and absolutely loves it!

Studio Calendar

Dec. 6 - Momentum at Cape Christian Christmas Village

Dec. 12 - Kids Night Out

Dec. 15 - 18 - "Deck the Halls" Fun/Sneak Peek Week

Dec. 22 - Jan. 2 - Christmas Break*

Jan. 19 - MLK Jr. Day - (Studio Open)

Feb. 16 - Presidents' Day (Studio Open)

Feb. 26 - Recital Fee Charged

***STUDIO CLOSED, NO CLASSES**



Preschool & Children's Dance Program

MS. ALICIA W.

This month we will focus on **PATHWAYS**, our fifth dance concept. When we explore PATHWAYS, we continue to develop vocabulary and discover how movements can travel in STRAIGHT, CURVY, and ZIG ZAG patterns either on our spot or as we move from place to place. This assists in growing creative thinking/problem solving skills and knowing there are different ways to get from one place to another. The development of this concept continues to help our spatial awareness and the ability to move in different formations as well!

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It's Time to Deck the Halls!

During the week of Dec. 15, our **FUN Week and Sneak Peek Week** will be combined! Dancers are encouraged to come dressed in their most **festive attire**, and classes will include fun, relational games. Families are invited to join us for the last five to ten minutes of class to watch their dancer's **Christmas dance** (with the exception of leveled ballet and conditioning classes).

Be sure to stop by the **tent outside our main lobby entrance** that week for **snacks and a special gift!**

Kids Night Out

On **Dec.12**, another **Kid's Night Out** event hosted by Maranatha is on the way! Dancers will be a part of a joyful evening of festive fun — learning a cheerful holiday dance, creating a Christmas craft, playing games, and enjoying pizza with friends. It's the perfect opportunity for parents to wrap up some holiday prep (or simply relax!) while the kids make merry memories at the studio. **To reserve your spot visit www.calendly.com/maranathadance**



Leveled & Teen Dance Program

MS. AMY P.

Why Ballet is Important for All Dance Styles

Ballet is the foundation of nearly every dance style! From jazz to contemporary to hip hop, the posture, strength, and technique built in ballet classes improve your body and mind for everything else. Even professional commercial dancers return to ballet barre to stay strong and sharp. Think of ballet as your dancer "toolbox"—the stronger the basics, the more freedom you'll have in every style. So keep showing up and working hard in ballet!



December Birthdays

Natalie B.	Colton K.
Ethan H.	Madison L.
Tahlia L.	Stellan B.
Elliana H.	Peyton J.
Clay H.	Noelia L.
Lyla S.	Lily D.
Milania P.	Camila V.
Emma H.	Sophia P.
Bianca G.	Rylin J.
Violetta C.	Ellyana H.
Ayla P.	Camila D.
Jula Z.	Sadie C.
Amelia J.	Agatha C.
Eliana M.	Ava P.
Ryette J.	Hailey O.
Lauren W.	Eleanor W.
Nicole M.	Evelyn F.
Amelia S.	Natalie H.
Rosalie B.	Saoirse Margaret L.

STAFF: Ms. Jacquelyn, Ms. Katie,
Ms. Jami B., Ms. Deborah, Ms. Kendal

Maranatha Dancewear Boutique

20% off all Logo Apparel

Dec. 1 - 4

*Hoodies | Sweatshirts
Jackets | T-Shirts | Hats*

Gift cards available



A Lifeline for the Community

-ANDREW P.

Love Does and Lifeline Christian Mission just recently sent their third shipping container of food to the Love Does school in Burkina Faso. These shipping containers contain boxes of rice based meal kits. The school utilizes these meals to provide lunch for each child that attends school, and for some this is the only meal that they will receive that day.

Pastor Deme and the Love Does School also distribute this food to families in the community. This food distribution provides an opportunity for Pastor Deme and the staff to share God's love in a tangible way with many members of the surrounding community of different faith backgrounds that they would not normally have an opportunity to interact with.

These shipping containers of food not only bless the surrounding community, but they also provide building expansions for the school. The school has converted two of the containers into administrative offices, allowing more educational space in the current buildings.



Get
Involved

If you are looking for a trusted organization to donate to this holiday season, consider Love Does!

Love Does is fighting for human rights, caring for the vulnerable and providing education in conflict zones around the world. www.lovedoes.org

Matthew 25:35-40

"For I was hungry, and you gave Me something to eat; I was thirsty, and you gave Me something to drink; I was a stranger, and you invited Me in; naked, and you clothed Me; I was sick, and you visited Me; I was in prison, and you came to Me."



Did You Know?

Maranatha is an ongoing partner with the Love Does School in Burkina Faso! A portion of every Maranatha student's tuition is used to help sponsor a classroom.



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