

Dear WSD Students and Families,

We've made the difficult decision to cancel the remainder of Second Semester and our 2020 Spring Recital in June. While there is hope in our wider community that businesses and activities like ours will reopen soon, we know it will be a gradual process, and we will need to look farther ahead in the calendar for a time when we can see you again in the physical space.

## For our installment customers:

As we announced on 3/25/2020, we have already credited your WSD account for any costume fees and the March installment tuition that we were not able to use due to our closure. There will be no more installment payments scheduled this season.

## For our semester customers:

As we announced on 3/25/2020, we have already credited your WSD account for any costume fees and tuition through 4/26/2020. We will now be crediting the remainder of the Semester II tuition that you paid.

You do have some options regarding what to do with the credit on your WSD account:

- **Keep the Credit** credits can be used for our online class offerings, Summer 2020, our regular 2020-2021 season, or any other future tuition and fees at WSD. Please consider this option, as this will allow us to be quick to open our doors again once the present danger has passed. As a thank you, we would offer an additional 10% on all credited funds, so you can dance with us even more!
- **Refund** while we hope you plan to dance with us again, we do understand that many of you need access to funds as soon as possible. If you do need the balance on your WSD account refunded to you, we can do that through the credit card you originally paid with, or by check. We will begin processing refunds May 1, 2020.
- Donate we are humbled and grateful for those of you have offered to donate the balance on your accounts towards the future of WSD. Thank you for considering this option. Donated funds will go towards our fixed costs during the closure including rent, payroll, insurance and utilities, and allow our small business to survive.

Please contact the studio by April 26, 2020 with your preference. If we do not hear from you by April 26, 2020, we will assume you are planning to keep the credit on your account.

We will be offering a second series of online classes starting April 27<sup>th</sup> and we hope to see some of you on our screens. We had over one hundred WSD dancers participate in Series I, and we loved connecting with our students at home. Please check the link for information on online classes and consider using some of your credit towards dancing with us in Series II:

## http://www.washingtonschoolofdance.com/online-classes/

We have also published our schedule for Summer 2020 that will begin July 6. We plan to be back in the physical studios for summer, but we will adjust as needed and as new challenges present themselves. Summer registration will begin May 15<sup>th</sup>.

## http://www.washingtonschoolofdance.com/summer/

Recital is a time to acknowledge our students' accomplishments, and to recognize our dancers, including our Three Year Trophy recipients and our Graduating Seniors. While we won't be in the theater this year, we will still find a way to celebrate. We'll keep you updated with our plans, and if you have any ideas on how we can connect and encourage our dancing WSD family, we would love to hear from you.

We are so glad that we had the chance to dance with you this season. We continue to pray for the health and safety of our students and their families, and we look forward to when we can all dance together again. Please let us know if you have any questions or concerns, and thank you for being a part of WSD!

Amanda and the WSD Staff