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1. John Knox Community Christmas Faire

Momentum families are invited to John Knox Presbyterian Church's Annual "Community Christmas Faire" on **Saturday, December 4**. The "Christmas Faire" offers such things as: homemade goods, crafts, soups and refreshments. Momentum's Hip Hop, Broadway Theatre, Tap, Contemporary, Jazz and Irish dance classes will be performing at 1:00 PM in the Sanctuary. Dancers should gather at **12:15 PM in the Multi-purpose Room**, located on the south side of the main building. John Knox Presbyterian is located at 109 SW Normandy Road, Normandy Park, WA 98166.



2. The Nutcracker

Momentum Music and Dance Academy will present its Fourth Annual production of "The Nutcracker" on **Tuesday, December 21st** and **Wednesday, December 22nd**. Performances begin at 7:00 PM at the Highline Performing Arts Center in Burien. This classic Christmas story is enjoyable for children and adults of all ages. Tickets are currently available for purchase at Momentum, and will be available at the door on the day of the show. Prices are as follows: Center section only, rows A - N, \$16 for Adults, \$12 for Seniors (65 or older) and Youth (17 or younger). All other tickets are \$14 for Adults, \$10 for Seniors (65 or older) and Youth (17 or younger). Lap children, three and younger are free. *No late seating please. **Momentum strictly prohibits the taking of photos and/or video during performances. Thank you for your cooperation.

3. Nutcracker DVDs

Markovich Media has generously offered to record this year's performances of "The Nutcracker" at an unprecedented low price for Momentum friends and families. DVDs of each performance are available for *just \$10 each!* Markovich Media is a professional production company that guarantees high-quality digital film while capturing memories for a lifetime. Order forms will be available after December 1st at the front desk.



4. Seattle Center's Winterfest

Momentum dancers will be performing **Wednesday, December 22nd from 10:00 - 11:00 AM** on the Center House Stage at Seattle Center's Winterfest. The Center House is located at 305 Harrison Street, Seattle, WA 98109. For directions from Momentum, click here. Dancers should arrive **between 9:20 AM - 9:30 AM**. Other Winterfest events include riding a FREE Winter Train through a turn-of-the-century Village, ice skating at the Winterfest Ice Rink, among other things. Prices Vary. So, come, enjoy the entertainment and stick around for lots of winter fun!



5. Refer a Friend Program

Did you know that when you "Refer a Friend" to Momentum and they sign up for music, art and/or dance lessons, you receive a \$10 credit on your account? So, be sure to have them mention your name when they register for classes. This is our way of saying "Thank You" for telling your friends, family and neighbors about Momentum!

6. Kindermusik & Front Desk Help

Momentum Music and Dance Academy is currently seeking to hire a certified Kindermusik business owner/instructor. "Kindermusik is a music and movement program for infants, toddlers, preschoolers, and big kids. You and your child will play, listen, and dance to musical activities specifically designed to stimulate early childhood development and strengthen neural pathways in your child's mind." Learn more at: <http://www.kindermusik.com>. Momentum is also currently seeking additional office staff to work Saturdays, 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM. Interested candidates must be 18 years of age, proficient with MSOffice, and demonstrate excellent customer service skills. Tuition exchange will be considered. Qualified individuals, for both positions, should submit inquiries to Artistic Director Stephanie Moss at stephanie@momentumdanceacademy.com.

7. Teen and Adult Classes

Get a jump start on the New Year with something fun for yourself. Dance classes are a great way to get into shape, while learning new skills and meeting new people. Momentum offers the following weekly classes for teens and adults:

Open Beginning Ballet, \$47/month or \$12/class	Mondays, 7:35 - 8:35 PM
Open Intermediate Tap, \$47/month or \$12/class	Tuesdays, 7:15 - 8:15 PM
Open Beginning Irish Dance, \$47/month or \$12/class	Wednesdays, 8:00 - 9:00 PM
Open PiYo, \$47/month or \$12/class	Wednesdays, 10:45 - 11:45 AM
Open PiYo, \$47/month or \$12/class	Wednesdays, 7:45 - 8:45 PM
Ballroom, private and group lessons available	Times and prices vary

8. Updated Class Schedule

Effective in January, Irish and Broadway dance classes are scheduled as follows:

Jr. Irish/ Irish Ia (Grades k - 2), \$41/month	*NEW TIME* Wednesdays, 6:15 - 7:00 PM
Irish III/IV w/Hardshoe (Grades 5 - 8), \$47/month	*NEW TIME* Wednesdays, 7:00 - 8:00 PM
Home school Irish, \$41/month	Wednesdays, 2:00 - 2:45 PM
Jr. Irish/ Irish Ia (Grades k - 2), \$41/month	Wednesdays, 3:30 - 4:15 PM
Irish Ib (Grades 2 - 3), \$41/month	Mondays, 4:45 - 5:30 PM
Irish II w/Hardshoe (Grades 2 - 4), \$47/month	Mondays, 5:30 - 6:30 PM
Irish V/VI w/Hardshoe (Grades 9 +), \$53/month	Mondays, 3:30 - 4:45 PM
Broadway Theatre Dance I/II (Grades 1 - 4), \$47/month	*NEW DAY* Wednesdays, 5:15 - 6:15 PM
Broadway Theatre Dance III/IV (Grades 5 - 8), \$47/month	*NEW DAY* Wednesdays, 4:15 - 5:15 PM
Broadway Theatre Dance V/VI (Grades 9 +), \$47/month	*NEW DAY* Wednesdays, 3:15 - 4:15 PM

A full list of classes may be found at:

<http://www.momentumdanceacademy.com/pdf/CurrentSchedule.pdf>

9. Performance Permission Slips

Permission slips for March Irish performances and parade, as well as June performances, will be passed out in January. To ensure casting and costume(s) for your dancer, please fill out the permission slip and return to the front desk by the designated date. Fees vary depending on the level of the class and the number of dances s/he will be performing in. Thank you.

10. Health and Wellness

Illness Policy: If your child is ill, please do not bring them to Momentum. Make-up classes are available in cases of illness, injury or emergency. If your child has had a fever, vomiting or diarrhea in the past 24 hours, please do not attend class. Momentum Music and Dance Academy supplies hand sanitizer for students and visitors. Teach your child to use it before and after class. Restrooms are located in the front and the rear of our facility for hand washing. Please refer to the student handbook for more health and wellness policies at:

<http://www.momentumdanceacademy.com/pdf/StudentHandbook.pdf>



11. Arts Advocacy Social

Join the Washington State Arts Alliance at their Advocacy Social, Episode 3 at The Burien Press, an independent and locally owned coffee shop in the heart of downtown Burien! Meet, greet and hear your elected officials' thoughts on Arts & Culture in their districts and communities. For more information, visit www.wsartsalliance.com or contact the Arts Alliance at 206.448.1909.



December 2, 2010
5:00 PM – 7:00 PM
Burien Press
423 SW 152nd St
Burien, WA
98166

Invited guests include:

Representative Tina Orwall, District 33
Representative Dave Upthegrove, District 33*
Senator Karen Keiser, District 33
Representative Eileen Cody, District 34
Representative-Elect Joe Fitzgibbon, District 34*
Senator-Elect Sharon Nelson, District 34
Mayor Joan McGilton, City of Burien*

*Accepted invitation so far



12. School Closures and Absences

Momentum Music and Dance Academy follows its own holiday schedule. Closures are posted on our website [calendar](#), on voicemail, in the lobby, and in our newsletters. Please call the office at 206.242.1239, or refer to our website at www.momentumdanceacademy.com for confirmation of all closures. If Momentum must cancel classes due to extreme weather or events beyond its control, every effort will be made to make-up the cancelled classes before the end of the school year. Refunds are not given for missed *group* lessons. Whenever students miss their regularly scheduled class due to illness, vacation, or bad weather, they are encouraged to attend a comparable class, preferably within 30 days, as a "make-up" class. Tuition credit is given for missed *private* lessons when make-up lessons are not feasible.

Regular attendance is necessary to maximize the full benefit of dance instruction for every student in the class. We encourage parents/guardians to stress the importance of attending class and rehearsals. If a student will knowingly miss class due to illness, an activity, or appointment, they should notify the front desk prior to class by calling 206.242.1239 or by emailing dance@momentumdanceacademy.com.

13. Playball© with Joelle Kantor

"Playball© offers six different sports and movement programs for boys and girls between the ages of two and nine. All of the programs are taught in a fun-filled, energetic and positive environment; and for the last 25 years, children from all over the world have enjoyed the positive impact that our programs have had on their lives."

Playball© is taught in an organized and structured manner. Class numbers are small. Children are taught to listen to instructions, to observe demonstrations attentively and to concentrate while attempting the skills. Healthy values are instilled; such as, treating other students with respect, sharing, sportsmanship and empathy. The program is progressive in nature, offering learning opportunities and experiences relating to the cognitive, physical, social and emotional development of the child.



2's Playball© , \$144/12 weeks	Mondays, 10:00 - 10:30 AM
3's Playball© , \$144/12 weeks	Mondays, 10:30 - 11:00 AM
4's Playball© , \$144/12 weeks	Mondays, 11:00 - 11:30 AM

Next session begins January 3rd. To register for classes, please contact Joelle by calling 206.612.4143 or by e-mailing Playballsuperstars@comcast.net. For more information about Playball©, visit: www.usaplayball.com.

14. Looking Ahead

Our interactive [Annual Academy Calendar](#) can be shared, printed, or viewed as a list of events. We hope that this calendar will help you stay connected with the happenings at Momentum!



December 4 th	John Knox Community Christmas Faire
December 22 nd	Seattle Center's Winterfest
December 20 th	Nutcracker Dress Rehearsal
December 21 st and 22 nd	Nutcracker Performances
December 21 st - January 2 nd	CLOSED - Winter Break
February 7 th - 12 th	Bring a Friend Week
February 21 st	CLOSED - President's Day
March 7 th - 12 th	Observation Week