



# The DMA Times

Newsletter for the DMA 125<sup>th</sup> National Convention

## Wednesday, July 8, 2009



Editor: Lisa Gillespie

### **BREAKING NEWS ...**

#### **TEEN MISS DANCE 2010**

**Elle Macy** was crowned Teen Miss Dance of America 2010 last evening. She proudly represents Chapter 1 and her teacher is Shelly Macy. She performed a lyrical piece entitled "*Piece of Sky*."

#### **TEEN MR. DANCE 2010**

**Michael Mengden** was awarded Teen Mr. Dance of America 2010 last night. He proudly represents Chapter 3 and his teacher is Catriona Steel. He performed a contemporary solo entitled "*Dreaming With a Broken Heart*."

#### **TEEN MISS DANCE AWARD WINNERS**

1<sup>st</sup> Runner Up: Victoria McWilliams, Ch 36  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Runner Up: Haley Fish, Ch 16  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Runner Up: Summer Reed, Ch 10  
 4<sup>th</sup> Runner Up: Brina Gabryel, Ch 45  
 Other Semi-Finalists:

Lindsey Blick, Ch 17  
 Heather Kelly, Ch 4  
 Yvette Lu, Ch 21  
 Jennifer Pappas, Ch 38  
 Mariah Reives, Ch 15

Most Talented Non-Finalist:  
 Rachel Mengden, Ch 3

#### **TEEN MISS/TEEN MR. DANCE AWARD WINNERS**

Ballet Award: Teen Miss – Elle Macy, Ch 1  
 Jazz Award: Teen Miss – Victoria McWilliams, Ch 36  
 Tap Award: Teen Mr. – David Ferguson, Ch 15  
 Acrobatic Award: Teen Miss – Summer Reed, Ch 10  
 Interview: Elle Macy, Ch 1  
 Miss Congeniality: Samaria Barnes, Ch 33  
 Mr. Personality: Gage Crismond, Ch 4

#### **TEEN MR. DANCE AWARD WINNERS**

1<sup>st</sup> Runner Up: David Ferguson, Ch 15  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Runner Up: Kenneth Sickles, Open

3<sup>rd</sup> Runner Up: Jesse Johnson, Ch 10  
 4<sup>th</sup> Runner Up: James "Will" Swafford, Ch 45  
 Most Talented Non-Finalist: Kurtis Sprung, Ch 8

### **COMING EVENTS**

#### **ELECTIONS**

Elections for National Officers will be held TODAY, July 8 from 8:00 AM – 1:00 PM in the Chesapeake Room L.

#### **ELECTION SLATE**

Area Vice-Presidents (select five):  
 Jeanne Cummings, Ch 21  
 Tracy Davenport, Ch 21  
 Kathi Halbert, Ch 16  
 Terrie Legein, Ch 5  
 Barbara Moschetta, Ch 10  
 Shely Pack-Manning, Ch 13  
 Director: (select two):  
 Dee Buchanan, Ch 17  
 Cynde Lomonte, Ch 3  
 Patricia Oplotnik, Ch 27  
 Noreen Rhode, Ch 16

The following officers, running unopposed, were unanimously elected at the Grand Body meeting on Monday, July 6:

President: Butch Theisen, Ch 16  
 National Executive Secretary: Robert Mann, Ch 26  
 National Treasurer: Charleen Locascio, Ch 6  
 First Vice-President: Phyllis Guy, Ch 37  
 Second Vice-President: Deborah Sanford, Ch 3

#### **GRAND BODY MEETING**

The next Grand Body Meeting will be held this afternoon (Wednesday) at 5:00 PM in the Chesapeake Rooms G-H. Election results (if available) will be announced.

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## **MISS/MR. PAGEANT**

The Miss Dance of America 2010 and the Mr. Dance of America 2010 will be awarded this evening at 8:00 pm on the Main Stage in the Maryland Ballroom (Rooms A-D).

## **REMINDERS**

Check out our exhibitors located in the Maryland Foyer.

Don't forget to exchange your banquet ticket by noon TODAY from 9 AM-12 Noon. Banquet tickets may be exchanged, in the area near the DMA Registration desk.

Wrist bands must be worn by all students taking a class. If you are competing in a title competition and the band is removed, please bring the cut band to the Registration booth for a replacement.

Please wear a cover-up over your leotard/tights and costumes when in all public areas of the hotel.

Raffle tickets are on sale at the Scholarship Booth. Raffle tickets are on sale! The drawing will be held Thursday beginning at 12:45 pm. You do not need to be present to win!

## **QUOTES FOR THE DAY**

Dance is your pulse, your heartbeat, your breathing. It's the rhythm of your life. It's the expression in time and movement, in happiness, joy, sadness and envy. – *Jacques d'Ambroise*

So be encouraged and dedicate yourself to your dream and if your dream should come my way one day then we will dance upon the boards of life. – *Ben Vereen*

Dance is music made visible. – *George Balanchine*