

# 2017-2018

'Selo' is the Ukrainian word for 'village'. The name "Selo Ukrainian Dancers' is perfect for the group who had its humble beginnings in a village ... the village of Anola, Manitoba. Starting out 30 years ago, the troupe has quickly blossomed to nearly 100 young and eager performers from across south eastern Manitoba. As part of their lessons the dancers learn the art of Ukrainian dance, stage performance skills, and many aspects of the rich Ukrainian culture. The energetic performers have truly become one of Manitoba's quality homegrown multicultural talents! The dancers perform at many events, festivals, and competitions around

Manitoba. They have performed in neighbouring provinces, and from coast to coast in the United States, and six countries in Europe.

The general information that follows will help you get more acquainted with the Selo Ukrainian Dancers.

#### **Rehearsal Information:**

- All rehearsals are held at the Anola Community Club every Tuesday evening (unless otherwise notified).
- By approximately the third lesson the groups will be determined and practice times confirmed. Dancers are placed in a group, taking into consideration their ability, previous dance experience, and age. Experienced instructors use their discretion in placing dancers at an appropriate level.
- Senior Dancers will practice every Tuesday at their regularly scheduled time, and as well, on scheduled Sundays from 5:30 9:30 P.M. (calendar to be determined)
- Children waiting for their lesson to begin will wait in the foyer and are to be supervised by their parents during this time.
- Families will be notified by email if lessons are cancelled due to poor weather /driving conditions.

### **Parent Observation**

- To eliminate distractions for the dancers, parents are kindly requested to wait in the foyer during their child's rehearsal time.
- There will be two parent observation classes (December 5 and February 13) at which time parents are invited into the rehearsal hall to see all the young dancers have accomplished!

#### Dancer's Responsibility:

- Dancers must make every effort to attend all practices, and be punctual. They are making a commitment to the group and dances cannot progress unless they are present.
- Proper attire for practices:
  - Boys slippers, sweats / shorts, T-shirt (no baggy sweaters please)
  - Girls slippers, leotards / tights, dance skirt, T-shirt, hair pinned back (no baggy sweaters please)

- Appropriate behaviour during practice creates a good learning environment. Inappropriate behaviour will result in the individual being excused from the class.
- Dancers unable to attend a performance must notify the instructors personally, with as much notice as possible.

### Costuming:

- Every dancer will require a Ukrainian dancing costume(s) for their performances. It is the family's responsibility to rent a costume from the dance club.
- The Selo Ukrainian Dancers will provide most of the costume pieces for performances. Dancers acquire their own footwear (dance slippers).
- Each dancer is assessed a costume rental/ acquisition fee at the beginning of the dance season. The fee assists Selo with maintaining the current inventory of costumes and acquiring new costumes.
- During the first two weeks of class, there will be a slipper / shoe / dance clothing exchange that takes place.

# Fundraising:

- Volunteering and fundraising are very important for the dance group. Fundraising proceeds are earmarked for the dancers: costumes, music, instruction, and travel.
- Each family is responsible for signing up for 2 out of the 3 Selo fundraisers during the 2017/2018 dance year. The Grey Cup Ticket sales will be a required fundraiser. Families will then have the choice to participate in either the Morden's Chocolate or Koubassa & Cheese sales.
  - Grey Cup Tickets October 3 to November 14
  - Morden's Chocolates January 9 to January 30
  - Koubassa & Cheese February 20 to March 13
- Families not wishing to participate in fundraising will have the option to buy out their share. The buy out for one fundraiser is \$100, and the buy out for both fundraisers is \$150.

# Volunteering:

- Each family is responsible for volunteering an average of 6 hours during the dance season.
- Volunteer opportunities will be available for sign up during the first two weeks of class.
- A \$150 bond cheque is required at the time of registration to encourage families to get involved; it also serves as a damage deposit for costumes.
- Thank you! We sincerely appreciate your assistance in making our Selo such a wonderful place to share the rich Ukrainian culture.

# **Registration Information:**

- Registrations will be accepted from 6:30 8:30 P.M., Tuesday, May 30<sup>th</sup> at Anola Community Club. After this date, registration inquiries may be forwarded to Rod & Bonnie Picklyk at <u>seloukraininandancers@mymts.net</u>.
- Children registering must be 5 years of age as of December 31, 2017.
- Dance fees include: 34 weeks of instruction, performances, and festival fees.
- Registration fees can be paid by cash, cheque or electronic funds transfer (void cheque required)
- Registration fees can be paid in full at the time of registration, or on a deferred payment plan.



- Deferred payment plan details:
  - Due at Registration: \$25 deposit + 1/5 of remaining fee
  - Additional payments dated October 1<sup>st</sup>, November 1<sup>st</sup>, December 1<sup>st</sup>, January 1<sup>st</sup>. Each payment is 1/5 of remaining fee.
  - For example: A dancer receiving 45 minutes of weekly instruction would pay \$25 deposit + \$44 (1/5 of remaining fee) on May 30<sup>th</sup>, followed by \$44 on each of October 1<sup>st</sup>, November 1<sup>st</sup>, December 1<sup>st</sup>, and January 1<sup>st</sup>.

Dance Time Slots	6:00-6:45PM	6:45-7:45PM	6:45-8:00PM	8:00-10:00PM
Weekly instructional time	45 minutes	60 minutes	75 minutes	120 minutes+
General Ages	5 -10	10-13	13-15	15+
Selo Annual Registration Fee (includes \$25 non-refundable deposit) *	\$225.00	\$260.00	\$305.00	\$385.00
Selo Costume Rental Fee	\$20.00	\$40.00	\$60.00	\$80.00
Total	\$245.00	\$300.00	\$365.00	\$465.00

\* \$25 family discount for each additional dancer in a family

\*\*Early bird discount for all families registered on May 30, 2017: \$20/family

Anola Community Club Membership Fee: \$35/family

### 2017 - 2018 Annual Calendar: (subject to change)

- May 30 Registration from 6:30 8:30PM at Anola Community Club
- September 12 Lessons begin and continue every Tuesday
- November 19 Ukrainian Dinner Theatre hosted by ACC and supported by Selo Ukrainian Dancers
- December 12 Last lesson prior to Christmas break
- January 9 Lessons resume every Tuesday
- January 2018 Malanka Performances (Ukrainian New Year's) .... to be determined
- February 3 Selo Zabava!! A fun filled family zabava (social) with a live band! All ages are welcome.
- April 13-15 Brandon Ukrainian Dance Festival (groups to be announced)
- May 27 Selo Ukrainian Dancers 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Year End Performance at Club Regent Event Centre!
- June 5 Selo Year End Wind-up & Annual General Meeting
- August 2018 Folklorama Ukrainian Kyiv Pavilion Performances

#### Instructors

- Rod Picklyk, Bonnie Picklyk, Hannah Picklyk
- <u>Seloukrainiandancers@mymts.net</u>

