

Central Midwest Ballet Academy Newsletter

# November

## Important Dates

- November 29<sup>th</sup>, School's Out Open class
- November 29<sup>th</sup>, Edgewater tree lighting ceremony
- December 1<sup>st</sup>, Olbrich Garden holiday concert
- December 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup>, Little Matchstick Girl
- December 7<sup>th</sup>, Tea and Trains Children's Museum

## Monthly Ballet Company



Texas Ballet Theater

**Founded:** 1961  
**Location:** Fort Worth, TX  
**Number of Dancers:** 42  
**Director:** Ben Stevenson  
**What they are known for:** TBT is known for their full length classical ballet productions with elaborate set, and costumes complete with a The Fort Worth symphony orchestra. This season, they will be performing *The Nutcracker*, *The Firebird/Crash*, and *A Midsummer Nights Dream*.

## Community Performances

In addition to our *Spring Showcase* and *Little Matchstick Girl* performances, we perform at various community events. My favorite event is the Edgewater Tree Lighting Ceremony. I enjoy performing in front of the eager young kids as they are very cute and make the sweetest comments, like "Are they wearing princess dresses?" "Are they fairies?" And after the shows, we get to join in on the festivities, like cookie decorating and ice skating. Other events we have performed at include The Zoo Lights, Tea and Trains, Big Brothers and Big Sisters Picnic, and the American Girl Doll Sale. I hope I can make it to this year's tree lighting!



## The Little Matchstick Girl

Our annual winter performance is returning once again! But, this year's show features new additions like watchmakers, and a completely rechoreographed villager scene in one of the casts. This was done in order to accommodate dancers. Each year, small parts of the show are changed. Like last year, the role of Matchstick girls mom was created (pictured left), and flames was reworked from six dancers to eight. I am very excited to watch the show for the first time as a member of the audience! See you there!

## Ballet term pop quiz!

- A: Bourrée comes from the French term for a drunk!  
 Q: What does attitude mean?

## About the Editor

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