

Ms Marian's Dance Garden

Mission Statement & Code of Ethics

We the dancers, faculty, staff and volunteers of Ms Marian's Dance Garden, (founded 10.1.13) are a vibrant community of people who have a high regard for each other, the art of dance, and the respectability and value of the work we do. All who participate are requested to demonstrate the willingness to be held accountable and to uphold the values and ethics we declare as the fundamental guidelines stated below. In all of our endeavors to study and perform as an expression of our love of dance, we show respect to the parents, to our students, and to all who call Ms Marian's Dance Garden, home. We consider it a privilege to participate in a community for the performing art of dance exemplifying the values of integrity, character, leadership, responsibility and professionalism.

- **INTEGRITY:** To conduct oneself with honesty, courtesy, and respect. To express consideration for one's fellow dancers, educators, parents and staff. To be a person who leads by example and honors commitments. To be a person other people can rely on.
- **LEADERSHIP:** To guide, direct and influence people in achieving their highest goals and ideals. By setting an example through one's actions and speech. To inspire and serve the people of your community through full participation in all dance related activities.
- **RESPONSIBILITY:** To respect and adhere to the policies and procedures of a studio activity, event or workshop. To be a person who interacts with others in a mature manner. To question authority in a respectful manner. To speak of any issue or grievance to the person who is able to resolve the concern. To be willing to receive coaching and direction without attitude or complaint.
- **CHARACTER:** To be a person who represents high levels of personal integrity, leadership, and responsibility for oneself and others. A person who has the courage and willingness to face issues and concerns with maturity and dignity. To avoid gossip, criticism, or denigrating comments for any member of the dance community, parent, or peers.
- **PROFESSIONALISM:** To respect the dance profession and uphold our values and standards of conduct. To support and encourage one another. To voice opinions and initiate change that will elevate the dance community. To recognize oneself as a role model at all times. To love the study and performance of dance as a universal art form.