



SPRING NEWSLETTER

Hi again, Harbor Dance Families! Springtime is here. As costume ordering draws near, Malinda, Simone, and Kristine may have a permanent look of 'Eek!' Not to worry, we truly are here to extend a helping hand to you and answer any questions or comments you may have at any time regarding recital, classes, or anything in general. Please let us know how we're doing—comment cards will be available at the lobby window, and we encourage you to help us get better and to know how well we've been serving you!

Upcoming Events and Deadlines

2009-2010 Harbor Dance Performing Group Auditions:

If you are or have a dance student who is between the ages of 7 and 18 and an intermediate or advanced level dancer dancing in the genres of tap, hip-hop, or jazz, this is a perfect opportunity for you or them to experience the excitement and wonder of performance on a regular basis. Auditions will be held **Friday, March 13th, from 1:30-3:30pm** here at the studio. Please have dancers arrive 15 minutes early to stretch and get their number assignment.

Recital, 2009:

Our Spring Recital this year will be held on **Saturday June 20th** at the Annie Wright Auditorium in Tacoma. The theme of the recital will be 'One World.'

Save the date for the recital dress rehearsal! **Friday, June 19th**, from approx. 4:30-9:30pm. We also will have an in-house studio run-through on Saturday, June 13th.

Save the date for the All-Recital Parent Meeting on **Saturday, May 16th, from 2:00-3:30**. Here you can purchase tickets/seats for recital, get comprehensive recital information, learn how to do stage makeup, order flowers for your performer, pre-order recital photos and DVD's, and sign up to volunteer to help us with this magnificent production.

Your recital costume balance deadline has been **extended**. We will post and e-mail each class's costume balance/prices by March 16th. You will then be asked to pay for your costumes that week or the following, or set up a payment plan with Malinda.

Recital Absenteeism:

We ask that students who have committed to participate in this year's recital attend their classes regularly with very minimal absence. Classes that have to be missed should be reported to the instructor before the class occurs, and should also take a make-up class, which will keep each dancer improving in technique.

Dance Festival Northwest:

Our talented Ballet Company will be performing in Chehalis at this prestigious event the weekend of March 27th and March 28th. Here they will also take a workshop and be exposed to some of the best ballet instruction of our time. We wish them good luck!

La Vie Nouvelle Dance Convention:

This fantastic dance event will take place Saturday, April 11th, all day. It is open to all intermediate and advanced level dancers between the ages of 7 and 19. This will be a full, day-long workshop designed to teach all forms of dance as well as incorporation of other art forms to enhance students' dancing experience. If you have questions or want to register, you can do so with Simone or online at www.lavienouvelle.biz.

New Face on Faculty

Harbor Dance is pleased to announce the addition of **Pam Lenker** to our staff. Pam has been teaching and choreographing in the Seattle area and around the country for the last 9 years. She is well versed in all dance forms, though she comes to us teaching her amazing style of tap. Pam is a dynamic instructor with a lot of energy as well as enthusiasm for all dance forms. She will be a wonderful instructor to our upper level tappers this year, and we hope to have her offer more classes next year. Please welcome Pam when you see her on Wednesday nights here at the studio.

2009 Calendar for the Remainder of the Recital Season:

March 13--Spring Auditions, Performing Group

March 16-- No school PSD, Classes WILL be held

March 27 – March 28 Dance Festival Northwest

**All level 3 students are welcome to attend workshop classes and watch the performance.

March 30 – April 4 Spring Break, no classes

**Private Lessons are available for anyone wanting extra instruction.

April 11th--La Vie Nouvelle Dance Workshop—Temple Theatre, Tacoma

April 20 – 25 Observation Week

April 25th-26th-- Onstage New York Portland Regional Dance Competition/workshop

May 1 -3-- Hollywood Vibe Regional Dance Convention

May 25-- Memorial Day, no classes

June 6-- Maritime Gig Festival

June 13-- Studio Dress Rehearsal

June 13-19th—Recital Photos (taken during classes)

June 19--Theatre Dress Rehearsal, Annie Wright School

June 20-- Recital, Annie Wright School

Summer 2009 Week-long clinic schedule and evening class schedule:

We will be offering clinics/camps this summer for the following:

Itty-bitty dancers, beginning level dancers, intermediate level dancers, ballet company/level 4/5 dancers, Performing Group, and a fabulous Vocal/Musical Theatre camp. To view the full schedule of summer events please visit our website at www.harbordance.net.

As always, we look forward to hearing from you! Please feel free to contact us via phone and visit our website.

Huge thanks to you and many blessings,

Sincerely,

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