



Fall Newsletter

Sept. - Oct. 2010



Welcome All Students! We are very excited for the start of our 2010-2011 school year! This year we hope to continue to inspire dance and music in our community and enhance the skills of our students beyond what they have ever dreamed possible. If you're just starting out with us or if you have been a part of our school for many years, please let us know what your family's long term dance and music goals are, so we can personally help you reach and eventually surpass all of your expectations and continue to deliver you the very best in dance and music instruction.

NEW Manhattan Beach Location Opening! Thirteen years ago, we started by offering dance classes at the Manhattan Beach Country Club. Now, coming this Spring, we are excited to announce that we are back in Manhattan Beach with our third location! This location may be convenient to many (on the corner of Sepulveda Blvd. & Marine Ave. in the old 'Flower Shop') and will help us expand our class offerings and programs. Stay Tuned!

Added Fall Classes We have added about 20 new classes since June to our 2010-2011 school year schedule. Remember that our most updated schedule can be found on our website and also feel free to call or stop by the front desk to check availability.

3 Tips To Start Off the Dance Year on the Right Foot As all of our dancers settle into their classes, there are a few things to keep in mind...**TIP #1:** If we feel that you have signed up in an incorrect level, then we will contact you after the first few weeks of classes. **TIP #2:** If you feel the class is too easy or too difficult please give it a few weeks to test it out instead of trying to change after just one class...our teachers use the first few weeks to get their students acclimated to each class and will let us know if they feel everyone is in their best fit. **TIP #3:** It is also important to pick up a 'Required Dancewear' information slip at the front desk so you can bring your dancer appropriately dressed for each class. If you see others not appropriately dressed yet, do not worry, they will be contacted. Please be aware that after a few warnings, we will not allow a dancer to participate in class if dressed inappropriately. Remember, just as you might wear a karate belt and Gi for karate, dancewear and having hair done correctly is also part of the dance discipline.

New Music Performance Group The new music performance group is a gathering of musicians who want to perform in more than just our bi-annual music recitals. The performance opportunities will be local venues or events and will consist of 2-3 extra performances for the year. Group rehearsals will be held once a month on Sunday evenings starting November. The "set list" for the group will consist of solo pieces and small to large group pieces within the pool of musicians to create a "show" that can be performed "on the road"! Anyone with the desire and are above the beginner level on your instrument and in our private music program may participate. For more information please reserve your spot at the front desk for our student/parent info meeting on October 10th @ 5:30pm at our Hermosa Location.



New Dance Company - "The Dance Collection" Our company is called "The Dance Collection" and dancers that have been invited will regularly perform in multiple full length showcases. It is our goal to provide opportunities for dancers to help them excel to and beyond their own personal next level of dance. Our broad-based dance curriculum results in a well-rounded dancer, ready to take the stage for most styles of dance including Ballet, Jazz, Hip Hop, and of course Contemporary. This year we will also have special industry guest teachers from Phantom of the Opera Cast and past season dancers and winners from "So You Think You Can Dance" to help educate and inspire.



This year "The Dance Collection" will be performing 3 full-length showcases, with our first one debuting on Sunday Nov. 14th at the Mira Costa High School Auditorium. Come join us for an evening of entertainment! Tickets will be available at the front desk beginning Oct. 1st.

If you are not in the dance company and would like more info on how to participate in our "special guest teacher" classes, please leave a note for Michelle at the front desk.

Can't Find a Dance Class Time That Works for You? We can open a class for you and 4 of your friends (depending on studio availability). We have many options for classes between 9am and 3pm only. Please visit the front desk and fill out a Class Request Form today. To check out already scheduled classes, pick up a Fall schedule at the front desk or visit our website!



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

SEPTEMBER 2010 SCHOOL MONTH

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	6. Labor Day	7. First day of '10-'11 School Year!	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	Preschool Camp — Mon-Fri 9:15a-1:15p @ Redondo Location (Sign up for 1 day to 5 days)					25
26	27. Dance Team & Ballet Co. sign-up deadline!					

September Reminders:

- Sept. 7th — First Day of '10-'11 School Year!
- Sept. 20-24 — Preschool Camp Mon-Fri, 9:15a-1:15p @ Redondo
* Sign up for 1 day to 5 days!
- Sept. 27th — Deadline to sign up for Dance Team & Ballet Co.
* Just register as an added class at the front desk!

OCTOBER 2010 SCHOOL MONTH

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		Sept 28	Sept 29	Sept 30	1. Tickets for Dance Collection performance go on sale!	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10. Music Performance Group info mtg. - 5:30p @ Hermosa	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
	Bring-A-Friend Week!					
24	25. Preschool Camp—M-F 9:15a-1:15p @ Redondo (Sign up for 1 to 5 days)					

October Reminders:

- Oct. 1 — Tickets available for 'Dance Collection' performance
- Oct. 10 — Music Performance Group Info Mtg.—5:30p @ Hermosa
- Oct. 18- 23 — Bring a Friend Week
- Oct. 25-29 — Preschool Camp Mon-Fri, 9:15a-1:15p @ Redondo
* Sign up for 1 day to 5 days!

NOVEMBER 2010 SCHOOL MONTH

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		Oct 26	Oct 27	Oct 28	Oct 29	Oct 30
		Preschool Camp — Mon-Fri 9:15a-1:15p @ Redondo Location (Sign up for 1 day to 5 days)				
31	1. Costume Measuring Weeks	2	3	4	5	6
		* Make sure not to miss class during this time!				
7	8. Costume Measuring Weeks	9	10	11	12	13
		* Make sure not to miss class during this time!				
14. Dance Collection Performance @ Mira Costa	15	16	17	18	19	20. Dance Recital Participation Deadline
	Preschool Camp — Mon-Fri 9:15a-1:15p @ Redondo Location (Sign up for 1 day to 5 days)					
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
	Thanksgiving Break—School Closed					

November Reminders:

- Nov. 1-6 & 8-13 — Costume Measuring Weeks (for June Dance Recital)
- Nov. 14 — Dance Collection Performance @ Mira Costa H.S.
- Nov. 15-19 — Preschool Camp Mon-Fri, 9:15a-1:15p @ Redondo
* Sign up for 1 day to 5 days!
- Nov. 20th — Dance Recital Participation Deadline
* Students must be enrolled in class(es) at the front desk by this day in order to participate in the June 2011 Dance Recital
- Nov. 23rd -28th — Thanksgiving Break - School closed

DECEMBER 2010 SCHOOL MONTH

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Nov 28	Nov 29. Classes resume	Nov 30	1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	Preschool Camp — Mon-Fri 9:15a-1:15p @ Redondo Location (Sign up for 1 day to 5 days)					
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
	Winter Break—School Closed					
26	27	28	29	30	31	1

December Reminders:

- Dec. 13-17 — Preschool Camp Mon-Fri, 9:15a-1:15p @ Redondo
* Sign up for 1 day to 5 days!
- Dec. 19th - Jan. 2nd — School will be closed for Winter break (classes resume on Monday, Jan. 3rd.)