

CHILDREN'S DIVISION
2004-2005 SCHOOL YEAR
SEPTEMBER 7 - JUNE 20

ADMINISTRATOR: SUE MOWER

The Contra Costa Ballet Centre's program serves the development of its students from their first encounter with music and movement to their emergence as young dancers. The curriculum is carefully designed to introduce the correct technique and instruction at the appropriate age and physical development of the student. While many students may go on to pursue professional careers, the focus of training is on the excellence and joy of dance at each level of achievement. We hope you will share our enthusiasm for the benefits that ballet and its interrelationship with the other arts will provide for your child.

PRE-BALLET PROGRAM (3 1/2 and 4 years old)

These classes are designed to gently introduce children to the dynamics of music and dance through movement and rhythmic exercises and games. Students learn to use the body and imagination in creative expressions of movement to music.

DRESS CODE: Ladies: Capezio pastel pink, short sleeved leotard (style #132C)
Ballet Pink tights and pink ballet slippers.
Gentlemen: Black tights, white T-shirt, white socks and white ballet shoes

<u>CLASS</u>	<u>SCHEDULE</u>	<u>INSTRUCTOR</u>
Pre-ballet A	Wednesday 1:00 - 1:45 pm	Jan Berletti
Pre-ballet B	Saturday 10:00 - 10:45 am	Ashley Flaner

MONTHLY TUITION: \$50 FOR 1 CLASS PER WEEK; \$92 FOR 2 CLASSES PER WEEK

BASIC BALLET PROGRAM (5 through 7 1/2 years old)

These classes introduce stretches and strength-building exercises that are prerequisites to ballet training. The fundamentals of ballet are introduced in conjunction with exercises that develop musicality, coordination and movement skills.

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<u>CLASS</u>	<u>SCHEDULE</u>	<u>INSTRUCTOR</u>
(1 st year classes)		
Basic-ballet 1A	Tuesday 4:00 - 5:00	Ashley Flaner
Basic-ballet 1B	Thursday 4:00 - 5:00	Ashley Flaner
Basic-ballet 1C	Saturday 9:00 - 10:00	Ashley Flaner
(2 nd year classes)		
Basic-ballet 2A	Tuesday 5:15 - 6:15	Ashley Flaner
Basic-ballet 2B	Saturday 11:30 - 12:30	Ashley Flaner

MONTHLY TUITION: \$52 FOR 1 CLASS PER WEEK; \$95 FOR 2 CLASSES PER WEEK

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REGISTRATION

The Contra Costa Ballet Centre offers an educational program structured on an academic year (September through June) and a six-week summer term. When a student registers, his place is then reserved for him through the end of the school year.

TUITION

Each class levels tuition fee is calculated on an average of four weeks of lessons per month. The tuition is not adjusted for months containing slightly more or less weeks within the pay period except for June, which contains three weeks of instruction; therefore, tuition for June is pro-rated. Tuition for May and June is to be paid in one payment due by May 1.

New students must enroll for a minimum of two months instruction, paying in advance the first two months tuition, plus a \$10.00 registration fee. Thereafter, tuition payments are due the first of each month. **THERE ARE NO BILLINGS SENT OUT.** A late fee of \$5.00 is charged to all accounts outstanding beyond the tenth of each month. A \$10.00 service charge will be charged on all returned checks.

There are no tuition refunds or adjustments, except for prolonged absence of ten days or more, due to illness, injury or family emergencies. Tuition will not be adjusted for family vacations.

FAMILY TUITION DISCOUNT:

Families with two children enrolled at the Centre receive a 10% discount on the second child's tuition. Families with three or more children enrolled each receive a 10% tuition discount. The discounts do not apply to students with scholarships.

STUDENT WITHDRAWAL:

If a student wishes to withdraw before the end of the school year you must notify the office two weeks in advance by submitting a withdrawal form or two weeks tuition will be owed.

Withdrawal forms are available at the front desk.

MAKE-UP CLASSES:

Students are encouraged to make-up classes they have missed. Make-up classes may be arranged through the school office and must be taken within four weeks of the student's absence.

CLASS OBSERVATION:

Parents are invited to observe their child's class during the weeks of November 1 through November 13, and March 7 through March 19.

STUDENT PERFORMANCES:

All students are invited to perform in the Centre's Spring Demonstration held June 4 and 5, at the Diablo Valley College Performing Arts Center. Each class will present a choreographic demonstration based on their class syllabus.

CONTRA COSTA BALLET CENTRE CALENDAR

FALL 2004

Tuesday, September 7 - Fall semester begins

Monday, November 1 through Saturday, November 13 - Parents observation classes

Thursday, November 25 and Friday, November 26 - CLOSED - THANKSGIVING
(Classes resume Saturday, November 27)

Thursday, December 2, through Saturday, December 4 - "Story of Nutcracker"

Performances at the Regional Center for the Arts

Monday, December 20 through Sunday, January 2 - CLOSED - WINTER BREAK

WINTER – SPRING 2005

Monday, January 3 - Winter/Spring semester begins

Monday, February 21 - CLOSED - PRESIDENTS DAY

Monday, March 7 - Saturday, March 19 - Parents observation classes

Monday, March 28 through Saturday, April 2 – CLOSED FOR SPRING BREAK

Tuition for May & June (June pro-rated) due in one payment on May 1.

Monday, May 30 - CLOSED - MEMORIAL DAY

Saturday, June 4 and Sunday, June 5 - Contra Costa Ballet student showcase

Monday, June 20 - Last day of classes

Monday, July 5 through Saturday, August 13 – Summer Session

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