

## Studio for the Living Arts DanceCenter

*Providing dance training since 1992*

**Our Vision** is for every student to enjoy dance while learning proper technique. We offer a fresh and innovative dance program expanding the standard dance curriculum. Our professional faculty and high energy atmosphere provides complete and personalized dance training to both the recreational dancer as well as the serious student who is looking to train intensively.

Our entire staff is committed to the highest quality of instruction and we continuously strive to raise dance standards by renewing and updating our teaching skills. We believe that dance can enhance the lives of all people and it can be an integral part of the development of every child.

### COURSES

**JAZZ** A popular form of dance that combines many styles and techniques from traditional to contemporary. Class work: technique, isolations, flexibility/strengthening exercises, across the floor progressions and dance combinations.

**TAP** Basic steps are introduced and turned into fun and challenging combinations. Emphasis will be placed on learning technique, timing, rhythm and syncopation.

**BALLET** is essential to building a solid dance education. A classical form of dance which concentrates on barre, centre floor, proper body alignment, and technique. Pre-Pointe/Pointe work is available by teacher permission .

**CREATIVE MOVEMENT** A stimulating, and imaginative series of classes that introduce the fundamentals of dance. This blend of basic ballet, music, and movement is an excellent introduction for the future study of dance techniques.

**CHILDREN'S COMBINATION CLASSES** One of the oldest and most highly successful programs, children learn the disciplines of ballet or jazz while developing a sense of rhythm and musicality through the basics of tap dance. Students perform one dance routine in our annual recital.

**LYRICAL** Class is designed for dancers looking to grow and challenge themselves with technique, style, and artistry. A song's lyrics are a driving force and key inspiration for the movement. A solid ballet-based technique is an essential component of this style of dance as is various other forms of jazz and modern dance. The hit television show "So You Think You Can Dance?" has made lyrical a very popular and recognized form of dance.

**LEAPS AND TURNS** Introduces a variety of leaps and turns and the methods and mechanics of stronger dancing.

**ACRO/TUMBLING** Students learn a variety of skills including walkovers, flips, handsprings, aerials, and more. Additional focus is also placed on core strengthening exercises and increasing flexibility. Acro skills can be incorporated into dance, cheerleading and gymnastics. Classes are offered through 8 week sessions. Fee \$55.

**HIP-HOP** Warm-up, strength, stretches, and isolation segments are followed by combinations and choreography. Hip hop is urban, it's street, it's diverse, and forever changing!

**TUITION** is based on the school year, September 12,2011 through June 14, 2012. For your convenience, payments may be budgeted into ten equal monthly installments, or two 10% discounted semester payments. (Budgeted monthly tuition fees do not represent the number of weeks or classes held that particular month). Tuition is not prorated for student absences, sickness or scheduled holiday breaks. Annual Registration Fee: \$10, families \$20. Registration fees are used to offset costs involved in invoicing and the maintenance of tuition accounts.

### BUDGETED MONTHLY TUITION PAYMENT OPTION

10 equal installment payments are due at the first lesson of each month from September through June. There is a \$10 fee for late tuition payments after 30 days. The \$10 late charge will be issued every month forward until payment is made. If your child is absent on the first week of class when payment is due, please mail your payment to our business office address in order to avoid late fees.

**DISCOUNTED SEMESTER PAYMENTS** If you choose to make semester payments, you will receive a 10% discount if the Fall semester payment is paid in full upon registration, and the full Spring Semester is paid in full by January 14, 2012.

**PAYMENT POLICIES** We do not send out monthly billing statements. The studio accepts checks, cash, Mastercard and Visa payments. Tuition may be placed in the lobby payment slot or mailed to the business office address. Returned check fees are \$20.00. If a student's account is over 90 days past due the student will not be allowed to attend classes until the account is brought current.

**REFUND POLICY** Absence from class is non-refundable. If a student is absent from class due to sickness or inclement weather, they may attend another class of the same format. Monthly and semester tuition payments are non-refundable. Credit refunds only.

**CANCELLATIONS** The full term schedule has school vacation breaks and two additional classes built in to allow for class cancellation or snow days. Any additional cancellations or snow days will incur a make-up class.

### PULSE PERFORMING DANCE COMPANY (age 8 -18)

A cutting-edge competition and performing dance company for the experienced, serious student. Acceptance by invitation or interview request. For more information, please contact the studio or visit the "Pulse Dance Co." link on our website.

**CONTACT US:** (207)657-3006 Director, Susan Cloutier  
e-mail: studiofortheivingarts@yahoo.com  
Correspondence, payments, and registrations should be mailed to the business office address:  
*Studio for the Living Arts DanceCenter  
P.O. Box 782, Portland, ME 04014*

## FEE SCHEDULE

Hours of classes per week, per student	10 Budgeted Equal Monthly Payments	Discounted Fall Semester Payment Option	Discounted Spring Semester Payment Option
30min.	\$38	\$171.00	\$171.00
45min.	\$44	\$198.00	\$198.00
1 hour	\$48	\$216.00	\$216.00
1.25 hrs.	\$58	\$261.00	\$261.00
1.5 hrs.	\$60	\$270.00	\$270.00
1.75hrs.	\$65	\$292.50	\$292.50
2 hrs.	\$68	\$306.00	\$306.00
2.25hrs.	\$72	\$324.00	\$324.00
2.5 hrs.	\$76	\$342.00	\$342.00
2.75 hrs.	\$80	\$360.00	\$360.00
3.0 hrs.	\$85	\$382.50	\$382.50
3.25hrs.	\$89	\$400.50	\$400.50
3.5 hrs.	\$94	\$423.00	\$423.00
3.75hrs.	\$99	\$445.50	\$445.50
4hrs.	\$115	\$517.50	\$517.50
4.25hrs	\$120	\$540.00	\$540.00
4.5hrs	\$128	\$576.00	\$576.00
4.75hrs.	\$142	\$639.00	\$639.00
5hrs.	\$155	\$697.50	\$697.50
Unlimited Individual	\$165	\$742.50	\$742.50
Unlimited Family	\$225	\$1012.50	\$1012.50

*Families: Deduct 10% for each additional student. This does not apply to the Family Unlimited rate. Unlimited Individual/Family rates do not include private class fees, or special workshops.*

*Private class rate: \$30 half hour. One class drop in rate: \$15*

## RECITAL INFORMATION

As we believe performing is an integral part of a student's dance education we hold an annual June recital at a professional theater. We present 2 shows on the same weekend, and depending on the age and class, students may only be in one show or the other. Some will be in both depending on their age and level. All outstanding balances must be brought current prior to purchasing recital tickets and participating in the performance.

## THIS SEASON MARKS OUR 20<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY!

Our 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Recital will be held in June at the beautiful and majestic Merrill Auditorium in Portland. Many famous performers have graced the Merrill stage and we look forward to making this celebration a memorable and special experience for our dancers. Recital Ticket costs are \$18 which includes a \$2 Merrill Restoration Fee mandated by the City of Portland. Students wishing to see the performance from the audience must also purchase a ticket.

Students require a costume for each class that they are enrolled in. Costume fees are \$65 per dancer, per class. Preschool Creative Movement class costume fees are \$57. All accessories, such as headpieces or gloves are included in the cost. If a costume needs tights, a new pair will be required for each new dance season. Tights fees are \$12, and \$9 for preschool Creative Movement classes. The studio orders all tights to ensure they are the same shade. Costume payments are due the week of January 9-13, 2012. Costume orders placed after January 16, 2012 will incur a \$10 separate ship fee per costume. Costumes are non-exchangeable and non-refundable.

Students who elect to perform in the June recital are asked to make a commitment to class attendance. Instructors reserve the right to omit a student from all/or parts of a performance if they have consistently missed classes.

Costume companies offer sizes in small, medium, large and XL. Although rare, if alterations are needed, they will be the responsibility of the student's parent.

## Dance Birthday Parties

First hour includes a dance class of your choice such as a Hip-Hop, Fairy Princess, or Hannah Montana Party. Second hour (planned by parent) is the Birthday Celebration! You may bring in pizza, cake, ice cream, open presents, dance, play games, etc. The studio provides post-party cleanup. Cost: \$125. Ask about our *customized Princess Party with a visit from a real live Cinderella or Snow White!*

**NEWSLETTERS** are sent via email only. If you would like to receive our newsletters, please provide us with your email address upon registration. To protect your privacy, we do not send bulk emails which display your personal email address, nor do we share your email address with other students. Newsletters are also posted in the lobby and on our website. Please update us if you have a change to your email address.

## 2011 -2012 SCHOOL CALENDAR

Sept. 12, 2011 - Classes begin

Oct. 10, 2011 - No classes, Columbus Day

Oct. 31, 2011 – Halloween - No classes

Nov. 14-19, 2011 - Observance Days for Family/Friends

Nov. 23 -27, 2011 - No classes, Thanksgiving Break

Dec. 16, 2011 – Holiday Perf. Rehearsal Windham High

Dec. 17, 2011 - Holiday Performance, Windham High

Dec. 24, 2011 - Jan. 8, 2012 - No classes, Holiday Break

January 9-13, 2012 – Recital Costume Fees Due

January 14, 2012 - Second Semester Payment Due

Jan. 16, 2012 - Martin Luther King Day, no classes

Feb. 20 - Feb. 25, 2012 - No classes, School Vacation

Apr. 16 - Apr. 21, 2012 - No classes, School Vacation

May 7-12, 2012-Observance Days Family/Friends

May 19, 2012 - No classes, Picture Day at the studio

May 26 -28, 2012 - No classes, Memorial Day Break

June 14, 2012 - Last day of classes

June 15, 2012 - Dress Rehearsal , Merrill Auditorium

June 16, 2012 - 20th Anniversary Recital, Merrill Auditorium. Matinee and Evening performances.

### REQUIRED DANCE ATTIRE

**Ballet Levels I-III** Black solid color leotard and pink tights must be worn by all female ballet students. Optional Black Ballet skirt.

**Ballet Level IV:** Solid color leotard . Color of your choice. Ballet skirts optional.

**Lyrical, Tap, Jazz, Children's Combination classes, and Creative Movement Attire:** Dance wear is required: Leotards and tights with optional dance shorts, dance skirts/pants.

**Hip-Hop:** Loose fitting street or dancewear (sweatpants/tee's etc.)

**FOOTWEAR :** required as follows.

All dance shoes are available for purchase at the studio.

**Creative Movement:** Pink Leather Ballet Slippers

(boys: black)

**Ballet:** Pink Leather Ballet Slippers (boys: black)

(Split-sole for ages 7+)

**Tap:** Black slip-on. No ties. (age 5-7)

**Tap:** Black Lace-up JT Intro Oxford Taps (age 8+)

**Jazz :** Black Jazz shoes. (Split-sole ages 8+)

**Lyrical:** Tan foot paws

**Hip-Hop:** White Hip-Hop Dance Sneakers.

# Studio

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# Celebrating 20 years

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### DIRECTIONS

The studio is located at 199 Portland Rd.  
(Route 100), 2.7 miles North from Skillins'  
Greenhouse in Cumberland, or 2 miles South  
from Gray Center