

Registration and Tuition

***Set-up auto pay and qualify for the \$5 deduction per month from your monthly total. Your account will automatically be charged the 1st of each month OR**
***Pay by the 5th of the month by check and deduct \$5 per month from your total OR**
*** Pay your tuition in full by Sept 30th & receive a 5% discount.**

ALL TUITION IS DUE THE FIRST OF EACH MONTH

1 class per week \$70/mo* 4 classes/month
2 classes per week \$119/mo* 8 classes/month
3 classes per week \$155/mo* 12 classes/month
4 classes per week \$187/mo* 16 classes/month
5 classes per week \$211/mo* 20 classes/month
6 classes and up \$24 per additional class

Kiddie Kombo Classes \$60*/month
2 Kiddie Kombo Classes \$100*/month
Private Lessons \$30/30 minutes or \$60/1 hour
Semi-Private Lesson \$20 ea/30 minutes or \$40 ea/1 hour

Drop in Rates

60 min class \$16 75 min class \$18 90 min class \$22.00
College Rate \$10/hr class, \$13/1.5 hr class-must show student ID

Payment Policies: All students pay for classes on a monthly basis. All tuition is due on the 1st of each month and is considered late if not received by the 5th of the month. Your tuition reserves your place in the class. Tuition rates are based on a 4-week average of classes per month. Some months have 5 weeks, some have 3 weeks. Our goal is to provide 38-40 weeks of instruction/rehearsal times Sept – June. **You always pay the same amount per month September through June.** You must give the studio **written notice** if you are dropping a class. Otherwise, you will be continued to be billed. **There are no credits or refunds for missed lessons and no partial month payments.**

Auto Pay: Set-up auto pay and your account will automatically be charged the 1st of each month. Or you may leave your tuition in the PAYMENT BOX located in the lobby. You may also mail your payment to the studio or drop it in the mail slot located by the front door. If you need a receipt, please request one from the office. **To ensure payments are recorded properly, please include the student's full name and month you are paying for on your check.** Cash payments should be placed in an envelope with the name and month printed on the front. Checks should be made payable to The Dance Affair. Visa, MasterCard, Discover & American Express cards are also accepted.

Annual Registration Fee: \$50 per family. Registration fees are non-refundable. An additional re-registration fee of \$25 will be charged for those families who wish to take a "month off". This includes the month of December.

Classes Offered

Acrobatics-Tumbling methods & tricks are taught while gaining overall muscle strength, flexibility, coordination and balance.

Ballet-Student will learn overall dance technique, basic barre and center floor exercises. French terminology is used in class. Student will gain insight to proper body posture and placement, along with development of grace and poise.

Contemporary-The grandchild of modern dance. Incorporates full body movements initiated from different parts of the body. The stylistic approach to lyrical and ballet.

Creative Movement-Entry level to contemporary dance. Focus is on natural movement, encouraging inner free spirit of dance.

Hip-Hop-Hip-Hop integrates innovative choreography and helps develop musicality. Students learn current street moves to hip-hop style music.

Jazz & Lyrical-Our program is based on strong technique using different types of styles including traditional, Broadway, contemporary and lyrical. Classes focus on dynamics, style and intensity through combinations ranging from slow and graceful to fast-paced. Emotion and expression through dance is stressed. Student must be 7 years old or have instructor's permission to enroll in jazz. (Ballet is recommended prior to and while taking jazz classes.)

Kiddie Kombo I & II-A 40 minute class designed to introduce the student to tap, ballet and tumbling while allowing the young dance student's interest to expand.

KKI – 3-5 year olds **KKII**-5-6year olds

Mommie & Me-A great first time dance experience for mommie and child age 1.5-2.5 years old. This class is held in a small group setting and was developed so parents have the opportunity to participate in their child's first dance experience. Kids learn basic dance movements, arm and foot positioning, stretching, creativity and musicality and develop social skills in an age appropriate environment using props and familiar songs.

Musical Theater-Emphasis is on singing and acting. The class also incorporates dance, theater auditions and theater performance. Students must have at least one - two years basic jazz, tap, ballet.

Tap-Our tap program starts with basic footwork, turns, rhythm and musicality and expands into sophisticated rhythm combinations including acapella, timing and advanced turns and performance techniques. Students also develop timing, terminology, and coordination while strengthening legs and feet.

TBJ- 7-10 ys. A 1-hour tap, ballet and jazz combination class. This class is the progression up from our KKI-II class for 7yr olds.

The Dance Affair



Studio Information

Our mission is to ensure that each student receives a positive experience through dance. We strive to provide each student with a strong foundation in dance by offering classes that are technical, exciting and fun, as well as enriching to a dancers training. We allow each student the opportunity to succeed as a dancer and to feel good about their progress. Each student is given the chance to express themselves through the art of dance and to make a difference in their lives for the better.

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Calendar

Important dates for you to note on your calendar NOW are highlighted below

2011

August Mon 29 First Day of Fall Classes!
September Mon 5 Labor Day–NO CLASSES
October Mon 10 Columbus Day–OPEN
Mon 31 Halloween–CLOSED
November Fall Newsletter Available
Wed 23-Sun 27 Thanksgiving
Holiday NO CLASSES

2012

December **Nov 29-Dec 11 Show Costumes in Class**
Sat 17 Costume Deposits due to Costume Manager
Mon 19-Sun Jan 1 Winter Break
January Mon 2nd Classes Resume
Mon 17th Martin L. King Day-OPEN
Sat 28 Costume Orders Due to Costume Manager
February No Vacations in February
Open President's Week
Mon 14 Valentines Day-OPEN
Mon 21 President's Day-CLOSED
March NO Holidays in March
NO Spring Break
April NO Spring Break
Dance Out Season Begins
May **Sat 5 Preview Day**
Performance Volunteer Sign-Ups
Prop Day -Sat May 26th
Sat 26-Mon 28 Memorial Weekend
STUDIO CLOSED
June **Sun 5 Photo Day**
Sat/Sun 9 & 10 Mandatory Rehearsals
Thursday 21 Volunteer Meeting, 7pm
Sun June 24 "ALL DAY" Full Dress Rehearsal and Show
July Summer Dance & Camps Begin

Welcome to the Dance Affair

The Dance Affair is a well-established dance school with over a 25-year history. We feel dance training is an important and valuable, as well as enjoyable, step in a student's life. Choosing a dance school is an important decision and we are confident in our program and all it has to offer.

In order to familiarize you with our services, we have prepared this information brochure. Please take the time to read it for a thorough understanding of our school. We are excited about our dance program and all it has to offer. We share our excitement through your interest and enrollment with us. If at anytime you have questions regarding the Dance Affair, please call me at (408) 243-4834.

Sincerely,
Erica Fairfield
Director/Owner

Other Studio Information

In addition to dance classes, The Dance Affair also offers:

- * Preschool Morning Classes
- * Birthday Parties
- * Master Classes (cheer & dance team classes)
- * Dance Camps
- * Studio Rental
- * Adult Classes
- * Private Lessons
- * 1st Wedding Dance for Couples
- * Classes Offered at Your School or Company Location
- * Year-Round Registration
- * Non-Performing Classes Available

Studio & Performance

Information

The Dance Affair is a performing studio. Our students dance for various organizations throughout the year. No one is expected to perform as this is an individual decision made by each student at the appropriate time during the year. The following are a few things to keep in mind when making your decision:

- The Annual Show is a commitment. This includes a commitment to be in class weekly and at ALL scheduled shows and rehearsals *including non-dress rehearsal.* **Absences during May and June may result in you not being in the show.** Please be mindful when planning vacations at this time. Take this into consideration before committing to the annual show. ***Purchasing a costume indicates you are planning to participate in the annual show. Each family is asked to purchase a minimum of 10 tickets.***
- There are costume expenses—an average of \$45-\$75 per class/routine.
- Costume deposits are due by December 15, 2010 at \$45 per costume. To insure that your costume is paid for on time, we suggest adding an extra \$5-\$10 (you decide) to your tuition each month (Sept-Dec). We will apply the extra money to your costume account if you wish. Please mark your check accordingly (i.e. \$5 costume payment). **Late fees of \$10 per costume apply for deposits received after the due date.**
- There are **MANDATORY** rehearsals that students are required to attend. These rehearsals are the non-dress rehearsal on Saturday June 11th & Sunday June 12th and the full-dress rehearsal at 9:00am on Saturday, June 25th (the morning of the show) and possibly Sunday, June 26th.
- All families are required to purchase 10 tickets to the annual show. Or you can elect to "buy-out" of 2 or 4 tickets at a specific "buy-out" price. This price is determined by the number of students in the show.
- Keeping you informed is important to us. The Dance Affair has a "FAMILY FILE" set up for each family at the studio. Please make sure to check your files periodically for new and updated information regarding the studio. Files can be found near the entry to Studio A.
- Too often we receive LATE and/or BACK DATED checks and are expected to overlook tardiness of payments. Unfortunately, our creditors will NOT do the same for us. The studio has financial obligations of its own to meet so prompt payments are expected and appreciated.

Dress Code

Dress code for all tap, jazz, musical theatre, contemporary, creative movement, lyrical and hip-hop classes: Black leotard, black bike shorts or black dance pants, tan tights or low white socks. NO BAGGY SHIRTS! All hair must be pulled back and held back away from face with clips or bobbie pins.
Dress code for all ballet classes: black leotard, pink tights, ballet shorts or skirt (optional), hair pulled back in bun
Dress code for all kiddie kombo classes: any style/color leotard with tights
Dress code for boys/men: fitted white or black t-shirt with black shorts or dance pants.
Dress code for acro students: Black leotard & black bike shorts or black unitard. NO BAGGY SHIRTS! All hair must be pulled back and held back away from face with clips or bobbie pins.
Students must come dressed properly and ready for class. Teachers reserve the right to have unprepared students change or sit and watch. Dancewear is available for sale in the office or at local dance stores (Victoria's on San Carlos St)

Dance Shoe Requirements

***Kiddie Kombo & TBJ**-black tap shoes with elastic sewn straps or buckles, pink ballet shoes (Sold at the studio)
Tap I-black tap shoes with sewn elastic straps or buckles – NO BOW TIES
Tap II, III, IV-jazz tap oxford (check with teacher for color)
Jazz Students-black split sole jazz oxfords
Ballet Students-pink split sole ballet shoes
Hip-Hop- black dance sneakers;
Acrobatics-black acro/gymnastic shoes;
Musical Theater-black jazz shoes
Lyrical, Contemporary & Creative Movement- check with teacher

***Ms Erica prefers that all KK and TBJ students use the black buckle taps and Pink string-less ballet shoes that are available at the studio for all KK and TBJ classes. No Target Ballet Shoes Please!**

Dance Affair Policies

- **Attendance**-Regular attendance in class is vital to a student's progress.
- **Tardiness**-Students are expected to arrive on time and not interrupt the class flow. Students should not enter late or leave early.
- **Dress Code**-Students must be prepared to follow the dress code. A student who continually refuses to follow the dress code may be asked to change clothes or sit out of class. No big or baggy clothing.
- **Label**-Be sure to label all shoes with first and last name.
- **No food, gum or drinks** are allowed in the lobby or class area. Water only in closable containers. Students here for multiple hours may eat in the lobby or outside area only. Please dispose of all food and garbage in the outside container only.
- **Observers**-There is limited viewing space in the lobby only. If you are observing class, please be courteous. Noisy visitors distract students in class. **No visitors allowed in the classroom area.**
- **Absences**-Call the studio if you are going to be absent. Make-up lessons are given for illness only.
- **Insurance**-The studio does not carry liability insurance on the students. Therefore, all students must be covered under a family policy. In case of an accident, the studio is not responsible for the medical coverage.
- **Holidays**-We are closed ONLY on the following holidays: Labor Day, Thanksgiving, Christmas break, New Year's Day & Memorial Day. See the dance calendar.
- **Tuition** is due the 1st of each month but no later than the 5th. A \$25 fee will be charged for all returned checks.
- **Make-Up Classes** will be offered for illness only. Absences due to conflicting schedules do not qualify for a make-up class. Make-up classes must be taken in the same month of the absence.
- **Lost & Found**-The Dance Affair is not responsible for lost or stolen articles. Please do not bring valuables to dancing. Please do not wear or bring jewelry to class.
- **Hair**-All hair shoulder length or longer must be tied back and out of face. Ballet students should wear hair in a bun.
- **Parents** are responsible for picking up students promptly after class is over. Children must not be left to wait in the lobby for any unreasonably long period.
- **Questions**-We welcome any questions you might have. To ensure students receive their scheduled hour of instruction, please direct any questions you may have to the office, leave a message if necessary, or call and leave a message. A teacher will call back as soon as possible.
- **Teachers**-Each teacher may add or expand on the policies for his/her class. Teachers reserve the right to remove any student from class for failure to observe the policies.