



CORVALLIS ACADEMY OF BALLET

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Summer Session 2023 Registration

Registration is now OPEN for Summer Session 2023 at Corvallis Academy of Ballet! This will be a 6-week session, June 19th- July 29th, 2023.

After the June 3rd Recitals, we will go on a two-week break, June 5th- 18th, and most of our classes will not be held during this time. The MWF drop-in Adult Ballet classes will still be held, assuming that enough students will be present to run these classes. There **might** also be some classes for Ballet V and/or Ballet VI students during this two-week break if CAB & WAB alumni are in town and looking to do some guest teaching: stay tuned!

We are still scheduling regular and guest instructors for the Summer Session classes in Studio B (Ballet IV, V, VI; Ballet VI Pointe/Variations, and the Saturday Ballet IV, V, VI classes), and there might also be some guest teachers for the MWF Adult Ballet classes in Studio A. Updates will be posted asap, as scheduling is finalized.

Creative Movement, Preballet, Ballet I-V, Beg/Int Character Dance, and Modern Dance Level I students should please consult their instructors to see which class level they should register for this summer and then going into Fall 2023. Sometimes we recommend that a student stay in their current level for one more summer session, before moving up a level at the start of a new school year; sometimes we see that certain students are ready for more difficult, challenging class material right after the recitals, so we advise those students to move up a level, starting with the summer session...and sometimes we see that certain students really need to repeat their current class level for another school year, to gain the strength, stamina, technique, artistry, and confidence that is needed to safely progress to the next level. Every student will progress at their own rate, and we do not automatically promote students based on their age, or whether their classmates are being promoted, etc. Please trust and respect the training, experience, and judgement of the professional Corvallis Academy of Ballet Teaching Staff.

Summer is a great opportunity to grow stronger as a dancer technically and artistically, without the pressure of school and homework. It's also a great time to try out a new supplemental class: Beg/Int Character Dance, Modern Dance Level II...and new to CAB this summer: Hip Hop! I am very pleased to announce that my supervisor and colleague at the OSU PAC (Physical Activity Courses) Program, Lila Reid Hepner, will be teaching Beginner Hip Hop on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings for Weeks 4, 5, & 6 of Summer Session! Lila is a wonderful, welcoming dance instructor, and since no prior experience is required to take her classes, this could be a great class for the older siblings and friends of CAB and WAB dancers to take. 😊 And remember that you can prorate your Summer Session tuition for the classes that you are able to take while you are in town and not busy with other summer activities.



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We have deliberately scheduled all our Summer Session classes either in the mornings, 9:30am-1:00pm, or in the evenings, 5:30pm-8:15pm. This was done to try to avoid being in our building (which doesn't have air conditioning) during what are typically the hottest parts of the day. For the last two Summer Sessions, we have had to cancel a few days of classes due to heat waves, when the temperature inside our building was in the 80's or even 90's! Hopefully we won't have to cancel many, preferably not any, classes this summer, due to extreme heat waves, but if this happens again, we will either schedule makeup classes on Fridays during Summer Session (Fridays have a light class load), or the week of July 31st- August 5th (after Summer Session ends).

Thank you, dancers, and families! I hope that many of you will be dancing with us this summer!

Megan Skinner, Director