

**The School of the Albany  
Berkshire Ballet**

**Summer Dance  
2009**



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The Best Will Do.***

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## Summer Dance Intensives

Summer Dance is for intermediate to advanced level students, ages 10 and up. Students will perform for family and friends to conclude the week.

### **Week #1 July 13-17 8:30 am -3:00 pm**

Dede Duffin Swindlehurst will instruct students for this intensive week of ballet. This week will include ballet, pointe, variations, and repertory, focusing on the ballet Cinderella.

### **Week #2 July 20-24 8:30 am -3:00 pm**

Stephanie Morris returns to us for the fourth year to deliver her fun and energetic classes all week long. Stephanie will teach lyrical and jazz dance and use popular musicals as a basis for her tap and musical theatre classes.

### **Week #3 July 27- 31 8:30 am -3:00 pm**

Christine Geren will bring her energetic love of classical ballet to this intensive week of ballet, pointe, and variations, and Pilates. Madeline Culpo will be sharing her choreographic expertise this week, helping the students to explore the art of choreography.

### **Week #4 August 3-7 8:30 am -3:00 pm**

Tracy DiJulia will be returning for her second year, as one of our favorite summer teachers. This intensive week will include ballet and pointe, musical theatre and lyrical dance.

## Summer Dance Camps

### **Tip Toe with Toddlers June 22-June 24**

**Age 3 9:30AM-11:30 PM**

This camp will include ballet class, learning a short dance, and dance related arts and crafts. Dance experience is not necessary- you will learn how! A snack will be provided.

### **Fantasy Garden Dance Camp June 29-July 2**

**Ages 4-6 9:30AM-12:30 PM**

Be prepared to have a lot of fun with Miss Dede as you take ballet class, learn a dance, help make your own scenery, and dance related arts and crafts. A snack will be provided, please also bring a bag lunch.

### **Cinderella Dance Camp July 6-10**

**Ages 7-10 9:00AM -1:00 PM**

Miss Nancy will teach all of her campers ballet and excerpts from the ballet *Cinderella*. Students will have the opportunity to get creative, making their own scenery and costumes, as well as other dance based arts and crafts. A snack will be provided, please also bring a bag lunch.

## Individual Class Offerings

June 29th through August 7th, 2008

Class	Day / Time
PreBallet 1 Age 3-4	Tuesdays 12:30-1:15 PM
PreBallet 2 Age 5-6	Wednesdays 12:30-1:15 PM
Intro to Ballet Age 7	Thursdays 12:30-1:15 PM
Elementary Ballet Age 8-11	Tuesdays 4:30-5:30 PM
Int. Ballet with Pointe Age 10-13	Tuesdays 5:30-7:00 PM
Adult & Teen Elementary Ballet	Mondays 5:30-6:30 PM
Adult & Teen Adv/ Int. Ballet	Mondays: 6:30-8:00 PM or Wednesdays: 5:30-7:00
Pilates Mat All levels	Tuesdays: 5:30-6:30 PM

Please Note: New Pointe Students **must** be age appropriate and have current instructor's approval

## Apparel

Female Students- Solid color leotards with pink or white tights and ballet slippers. Hair must be worn in a bun and neatly fastened to the head.

Male Students-Black / Gray tights or bicycle shorts, white t-shirt, white socks and black ballet slippers.

Pointe-Leotard, tights, pointe shoes.

Jazz-Leotard, tights, jazz shoes.

Tap-Leotard, tights, tap or character shoes.

Lyrical-Leotard, tights.

Musical Theatre-Leotard, tights, character/ jazz shoes

Pilates-Fitted Clothing, Yoga/ Pilates Mat

## Extended Day Care Information

Extended Day Care is available for intensive camps only. Please check with the administrator for times and fees.

## About the School of the Albany Berkshire Ballet

The School of ABB is known for its outstanding balanced dance curriculum. Director Madeline Cantarella Culpo founded the School of Dance in 1955 with the goal of providing personal attention and training for students and professional dancers. Graduates have gone on to dance with the Albany Berkshire Ballet, Joffrey Ballet, American Ballet Theatre, Jacob's Pillow and the Pennsylvania, Ohio, Portland, and Washington Ballets.

The School teaches the Cecchetti method of ballet developed by Enrico Cecchetti, world renowned teacher of the Ballet Russes and ballet master of Diaghilev Ballet Russes, who trained such dancers as Pavlova, Fokine, and Nijinsky. Among his protégés was English ballerina Margaret Craske who later taught at the Juilliard School and Jacob's Pillow. From Miss Craske, Madeline Cantarella Culpo developed her technique.

**Madeline Cantarella Culpo** Director-founder and Artistic Director of the Albany Berkshire Ballet, is an alumna of the Juilliard School where she studied ballet with Margaret Craske, Antony Tudor and Alfred Corvino and modern dance with Martha Graham. She is a nationally recognized teacher of dance, having taught throughout the United States, including at Jacob's Pillow. She was featured in the November 1996 issue of "Dance Magazine" in an article entitled "Great Starts American Teacher Series"- "A Tribute to Teachers Who Have Produced Outstanding Results." In addition, Mrs. Culpo has received three choreography fellowships from the NEA.



Members of the Junior Company of the Albany Berkshire Ballet in our large studio.

## Resident & Guest Faculty

**Deirdre Duffin Swindlehurst** started dancing at age five under Madeline Cantarella Culpo and went on to be a principal dancer with the Albany Berkshire Ballet. She joined the Pennsylvania Ballet in 1980, and rose to soloist in *The Nutcracker*, *Coppelia*, *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, *Les Sylphides*, and *The Four Temperaments*. Ms. Duffin has appeared as a guest artist at Jacob's Pillow and has toured the US with Leonid and Valentina Kaslov and with Cynthia Gregory and her "Celebration Tour".

**Nancy Ropelewski Pierce** is a graduate of the Cantarella School and was a scholarship student at Jacob's Pillow. She was formerly a principal dancer with the Albany Berkshire Ballet. Ms. Pierce has also established herself as a choreographer. Her *Peter and the Wolf* has been performed extensively before school audiences throughout the Northeast.

**Christine Geren** began her training with The Northeast Ballet Co. She earned a BA in Dance from Mercyhurst College and was an apprentice with The Lake Erie Ballet, performing lead roles in *Alice In Wonderland*, *The Nutcracker* and Balanchine's *Serenade*. Ms. Geren is a principal dancer with the Albany Berkshire Ballet, performing *Nocturnes*, *Our Town* and *The Rockwell Suites* as well as the Sugar Plum Fairy in *The Nutcracker*.

**Alicia Hornicek** is a graduate of the School of The Albany Berkshire Ballet and has performed extensively with their professional company, notably in *The Nutcracker*, *Cinderella* and *Carmina Burana*. She holds a BA degree from Russell Sage College and is a practicing Physical Therapist.

**Stephanie Morris** began her dance training in 1984 and continues today with master classes in Boston and NYC. An honors graduate of Dean College, Stephanie was president of the Dance Company and producer and director of the Dean College Dance Team. This is her second year as guest faculty.

**Tracy DiJulia** is currently a Dance Major at Northern Essex Community College. She is a former company member of the Granite State Ballet and Northeast Youth Ballet. Her repertoire includes Swanhilda from *Coppelia* and the Sugar Plum, Arabian and Chinese dancers in the *Nutcracker*.

## Tuition Schedule

Registration Deadline is June 1st!

Class/ Camp Type	Duration	Tuition	Early Bird received by April 20th
Dance Intensives	1 Week	\$320.00	\$295.00
	2 Weeks	\$608.00	\$558.00
	3 Weeks	\$880.00	\$805.00
	4 Weeks	\$1152.00	\$1052.00
Tip Toe with Toddlers	3 days	\$75.00	N/A
Fantasy Garden	4 days	\$138.00	N/A
Cinderella	1 Week	\$230.00	N/A
PreBallet 1 PreBallet 2	6 Weeks	\$66.00	N/A
Intro to Ballet	6 Weeks	\$66.00	N/A
Elementary Ballet	6 Weeks	\$76.50	N/A
Intermediate Ballet with Pointe	6 Weeks	\$99.00	N/A
Adult /Teen Elementary Ballet	6 Weeks	\$76.50	N/A
Adult /Teen Intermediate Ballet	1 Class/ week	\$99.00	N/A
Intermediate Ballet	2 Class/ week	\$187.00	N/A
Pilates Mat	6 Weeks	\$76.50	N/A

**\$10 Registration Fee is required for ALL students.**

**ALL CLASSES DEPEND UPON SUFFICIENT REGISTRATION.**

**REGISTER BY JUNE 1st!**

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### REGISTRATION FORM - Summer Dance 2008 - SCHOOL OF THE ALBANY BERKSHIRE BALLET

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ DOB \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Emergency Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_  
 Current Training/School \_\_\_\_\_ Years Training? \_\_\_\_\_ Years On Pointe? \_\_\_\_\_  
 Father's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Mother's Name \_\_\_\_\_ How Did You Hear About Us? \_\_\_\_\_

**Circle Approximate Level:**

Advanced (12-19 yrs) Intermediate (10-13 yrs) Elem. Ballet (8-11 yrs) Intro to Ballet (7 yrs) Pre Ballet 2 (5-6 yrs) Pre Ballet 1 (3-4 yrs)

**Summer Camp Programs**

List Camp Name or Intensive Week #: \_\_\_\_\_

**Weekly Classes**

List Desired Class Name Day Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Ages listed for levels are approximate only. Placement decisions are made by the Director and are final. A registration fee of \$10.00 (non-refundable) must accompany this registration form. Tuition is neither transferable nor refundable. A refund will be given only if there is insufficient registration for desired class. Classes held are dependent upon sufficient registration. The School of the ABB or its employees are not responsible for personal injuries, damaged or lost personal property. I give the SABB permission to use dance photos of my child for internet publicity or advertising purposes. I also understand the school's policies as outlined and that I am responsible for tuition payments as described within. Tuition is due and payable prior to first class. Visa, MC, DISC accepted.

Payment Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Parent or Guardian \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mail Registration to: #25 Monroe St., Albany, NY 12210