

# *Ferndale Dance Academy: Fall 2017*

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Dear Parents and Students,

Fall session begins the week of Monday, August 28 and runs through December 22. The winter show will have two performances on December 9. Please see the following pages for further details.

**Classes and Fees:** Class prices are listed on your enrollment form and are for the entire 16-week session. Please note the Discount Packages that are available. Individual payment plans can be worked out if needed, however, we request that parents keep track of when payments are due and make sure that tuition is paid in a timely manner.

**Class Placement:** During the first week of class, instructors make sure that students are in the proper class and suggest alternative classes if necessary. If you are unsure about which class to enroll your child, we suggest you choose a class that corresponds to your child's age. Any new student older than 8 who has never danced before must begin in Level I. We stress the importance of ballet for all our students and highly recommend that all students attend dance class twice a week. We recommend that serious students in Level II attend class 3-4 days a week, and students in Level III and IV should attend class 4 days a week.

**Tap and Hip Hop:** We recommend that tap and hip hop classes be taken along with ballet and/or jazz so that students develop proper technique.

**Registration:** To enroll, please fill out the Enrollment Form, Contact Information Form, Liability Release, and any other applicable forms and mail to: P.O. Box 1009, Ferndale, 95536. This will automatically enroll you. You will not hear from us. Just show up the first day of class. Tuition payments are due at that time (cash or checks payable to the Ferndale Dance Academy - no credit cards). Please be advised that enrollment is on a first come, first serve basis. We will accept students into classes as long as there is space available.

**Scholarships:** Scholarship applications can be downloaded from the website and must be submitted along with other enrollment papers by August 11<sup>th</sup> in order to be considered.

**Dress Code:** In dance, it is a sign of disrespect to arrive to class looking sloppy. Our dress code is available on our website. Please review to make sure that you are clear on what your child/teen should wear to class.

**Absences:** All absences must be cleared with the class instructor otherwise they will be considered unexcused. Students with 3 unexcused absences may not be allowed to participate in any performance. Simply not showing up to class is not acceptable. If a student is going to be absent, please notify us by calling or texting 496-0805 or emailing us. Students are highly encouraged to make-up any missed classes by attending another class in their level. Make-up classes should be done within 2 weeks of a student being absent. Level I, II and Level III students who are unable to dance but are not contagious are expected to attend class and observe.

**Safety:** Students are not permitted to wait outdoors for transportation. There is a waiting room adjacent to the dance studio for this purpose. Parents, please escort your children to and from the dance studio.

**Cinderella DVD and Photographs:** To order DVDs, go to [www.shenandoahvideo.com](http://www.shenandoahvideo.com). Photos from *Cinderella* can be viewed and ordered at [www.aestheticdesign.com](http://www.aestheticdesign.com).

**Ferndale Dance Academy Fall Schedule 2017**

**Studio A**

<u>MONDAY</u>	<u>TUESDAY</u>	<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	<u>THURSDAY</u>	<u>FRIDAY</u>
2:00-2:45 Tutus for Tots Ages: 3 - 4 ½ Instructor: Laura		3:00-4:00 Intro to Ballet and Jazz Ages: 5-7 Instructor: Laura	3:00-4:00 Intro Hip Hop & Tap Ages: 5-7 Instructors: Laura/Stephanie (First half is Hip Hop in Studio A. Second half is Tap in Studio B)	
3:00-4:00 Intro to Ballet and Jazz Ages: 5 -7 Instructor: Laura	3:45-5:15 Ballet II Ages: 9-12 Instructor: Laura	4:00-5:15 Ballet / Jazz I Combo Ages: 6-8 Instructor: Laura	3:30-4:15 Hip Hop I Ages: 6-8 Instructor: Laura	3:00-3:45 Tutus for Tots Ages: 3 - 4 ½ Instructor: Kyleigh
4:00-5:30 Contemporary IV Instructor: Stephanie	5:15-6:45 Ballet III / IV Instructor: Laura	5:15-6:30 Jazz/Hip Hop III/IV Instructor: Laura	4:15-5:30 Hip Hop II Ages: 9-12 Instructor: Laura	4:00-5:15 Musical Theater Jazz II/III Instructor: Kyleigh
5:30-6:30 Pointe IV Instructor: Kyleigh	6:45-7:15 Level IV Rehearsal Instructor: Laura	6:30-7:00 Level IV Rehearsal Instructor: Laura	5:00-7:00 Ballet III / IV Instructor: Laura (First 30 min. is Stretch/ Conditioning with Stephanie in Studio B.)	5:15-6:30 Contemporary/Lyrical II/III Plus Instructor: Kyleigh ( Level II with Studio Permission)
6:30-7:30 Junior Dance Team Instructor: Kyleigh				

**Studio B**

<u>MONDAY</u>	<u>TUESDAY</u>	<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	<u>THURSDAY</u>	<u>FRIDAY</u>
4:00-5:00 Mini Dance Team Instructor: Kyleigh		3:30-4:00 Tap I Ages: 6-8 Instructor: Stephanie (Optional for students in Ballet / Jazz I Combo)	4:15-5:00 Tap I Ages: 6-8 Instructor: Stephanie	3:45-5:00 Ballet I Ages: 6-8 Instructor: Laura *Class size limited to 6 students
5:00-6:30 Stretch, Conditioning, & Tap II Ages: 9-12 Instructors: Kyleigh/Stephanie (First 30 min. is Stretch & Conditioning. Last hour is Tap.)		4:00-5:00 Tap III Instructor: Stephanie	5:30-6:30 Tap II Ages: 9-12 Instructor: Stephanie	

**Ferndale Dance Academy**  
**Fall/Winter 2017 Important Dates**

- August 11: Scholarship applications due.
- August 28- September 1: First week of classes and class placement. Tuition fees due.
- September 4: No class. Labor Day.
- October 16-20: Final tuition payments due.
- Saturday, October 21: *The Nightmare Before Christmas* performance for Contemporary IV and Tap III at Redwood Raks in Arcata
- Saturday, November 4: Select Level II, III, and IV students assist with auction at Redwood Memorial Foundation Benefit Ball in Fortuna beginning at 7:30pm
- November 20-24: No classes. Thanksgiving vacation.
- Thursday, December 7: Dress rehearsal at the dance studio for Levels I, II, III, and IV
- Friday, December 8: Blocking rehearsal for Levels I, II, III, and IV at Redwood Raks in Arcata
- Saturday, December 9: Winter Performances for Levels I, II, III, and IV at Redwood Raks in Arcata
- December 15: Parent Observation for Level I Friday. No class for Level I Friday on December 22.
- December 18-22: Parent Observation Week.
- December 25- January 5: Winter Vacation
- January 8, 2018: Winter/Spring Session begins.

Ferndale Dance Academy Fall 2017 Enrollment Form

- ❖ **Glass Package:** Individual or immediate families that attend 3 classes per week receive a 15% discount on tuition.
- ❖ **Silver Package:** Individual or immediate families that attend 4 classes per week receive a 20% discount on tuition.
- ❖ **Gold Package:** Individual or immediate families that attend 5 classes per week receive a 25% discount on tuition.
- ❖ **Platinum Package:** Individual or immediate families that attend 6 or more classes per week receive a 30% discount.

Parent/Guardian Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Age(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Will be enrolling in the following class(es):

**Ages 3 - 4 ½**

\_\_\_ Tutus for Tots MON (\$135.00)

\_\_\_ Tutus for Tots FRI (\$144.00)

**Intro Level**

\_\_\_ Intro Ballet and Jazz MON (\$135.00)

\_\_\_ Intro Ballet and Jazz WED (\$144.00)

\_\_\_ Intro Hip Hop and Tap THURS (\$144.00)

**Level I**

\_\_\_ Ballet / Jazz I Combo WED (\$144.00)

\_\_\_ Tap I WED (\$112.00)

\_\_\_ Hip Hop I THURS (\$144.00)

\_\_\_ Tap I THURS (\$144.00)

\_\_\_ Ballet I FRI (\$135.00)

**Level II**

\_\_\_ Stretch, Conditioning, Tap II MON (\$150.00)

\_\_\_ Ballet II TUES (\$160.00)

\_\_\_ Hip Hop II THURS (\$144.00)

\_\_\_ Tap II THURS (\$144.00)

\_\_\_ Musical Theatre Jazz II/III FRI (\$144.00)

\_\_\_ Contemporary/Lyrical II/III Plus (\$144.00)  
(Advanced class - Studio permission required for Level II)

**Level III**

\_\_\_ Tap III Wed (\$144.00)

\_\_\_ Jazz/Hip Hop III/IV Wed (\$144.00)

\_\_\_ Ballet III/IV (\$416.00)

\_\_\_ Ballet Tues OR Thurs (Tues \$160 or Thurs \$256)

\_\_\_ Musical Theater Jazz II/III FRI (\$144.00)

\_\_\_ Contemporary/Lyrical II/III Plus FRI (\$144.00)

**Level IV**

\_\_\_ Contemporary IV Mon (\$150.00)

\_\_\_ Jazz/Hip Hop III/IV including Level IV Rehearsal Wed (\$192)

\_\_\_ Ballet III/IV including Level IV Rehearsal Tues (\$512.00)

\_\_\_ Pointe IV (\$144.00)

The subtotal tuition for dance classes is \_\_\_\_\_. If applicable, minus my discount of \_\_\_\_\_.

**Bringing my total due to \_\_\_\_\_.**

## Winter Performance for Levels I, II, III, and IV

Students in Levels I and up will be learning dances in class to be performed in the Winter Performance. This year the performances will be held at Redwood Raks in Arcata. The Winema Theater is undergoing a change in ownership and could not guarantee dates or prices. The show will be festive and have a holiday/winter theme. It is not mandatory; however, we encourage all students to participate. In order to be in the show, students and parents need to fill out the Participation Agreement below and submit it along with other enrollment papers. The \$40 participation fee is due the first week of class.

Rehearsals/Performances: Students will learn dances in class. Additional rehearsals for Levels II, III, and IV will be scheduled beginning the week of Nov. 27. This schedule will be announced as it gets closer to the show. The dress rehearsal for all participants will be held at the dance studio on Thursday, December 7. There will be a blocking rehearsal at Redwood Raks in Arcata on Friday, December 8 and both shows will be given on Saturday, December 9.

Costumes: Students in Level I need to create their own elf costume. Students who were elves last year may use the same costume. Students in Levels II, III and IV will need to create their own costumes. These costumes will be kept simple and will be discussed with each class. We will use costumes from storage where we can. Some students may need to purchase specialty items. This will be discussed with students and parents on an individual basis.

Student Choreography: Students in Level III and IV are encouraged to choreograph a dance for the show.

Fees: There is a participation fee of \$40, which needs to be paid with the first tuition payment. This fee is not subject to class discounts and is nonrefundable.

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### Participation Agreement for the Winter Performance

(Parents and Students: Please read and sign and submit along with other enrollment papers.)

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

I will be participating in the Winter Performance. \_\_\_\_\_

*(Please read carefully before signing)* I understand that I am making a commitment to participate in the Winter Performance. I will make class attendance a priority, and I will attend all rehearsals, dress rehearsals and performances. I understand that if I have excessive absences it may impact my participation in the show. I will work hard and be focused and disciplined in class and rehearsal.

Student signature \_\_\_\_\_

*(Parents please read carefully before signing)* I give my permission for my child/teen to participate in the Winter Performance. I understand that attendance in class and at all rehearsals is critical and that if my child/teen has excessive absences it may compromise her/his participation in the show. I will respect whatever decisions the instructors must make in such a situation. I agree to help costume my child/teen. I agree to pay the \$40 participation fee, and I understand that this fee is non-refundable.

Parent signature \_\_\_\_\_

## Humboldt Dance Force

(\*Students who are on the Competition Team are automatically in Humboldt Dance Force and do not need to fill this out.)

Humboldt Dance Force is the dance group created for our most dedicated **Level II, III, and IV** students.

**It is absolutely free to join.**

### **Requirements from August 28, 2017 – June 2018**

1. Junior Division (Level II): Must attend dance class a minimum of two days per week (3 days a week is preferred).
2. Senior Division (Level III-IV): Must attend dance class a minimum of three days per week (4 days a week is preferred).
3. Must participate in all of the following:
  - Contemporary IV and Tap III: *The Nightmare Before Christmas* performance on Saturday, October 21 at Redwood Raks in Arcata
  - Saturday, Nov. 4: This year students will not be dancing at the Redwood Memorial Benefit Ball. Instead, it has been requested that older students dress up and assist with the auction. Ball begins at 7:30pm and is held at the River Lodge in Fortuna.
  - Winter Performances on Dec. 9
  - June 2018 performances
4. Members of HDF are highly encouraged to attend at least one dance convention. Dance convention dates are: New York City Dance Alliance, March 2-4, in Santa Clara and JUMP Dance Convention, April 13-15, in Santa Clara.

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### **Humboldt Dance Force Application**

Dancer Name \_\_\_\_\_ Dancer Age \_\_\_\_\_

Classes you are enrolling in: \_\_\_\_\_

I agree to fulfill all the requirements listed for my division, and I understand that membership in HDF is contingent on my fulfilling these requirements from August 2017 through June 2018. I understand that all members of Humboldt Dance Force will have their pictures posted on the Ferndale Dance Academy website on a page featuring members of HDF.

I will be attending New York City Dance Alliance (March 2-4):      \_\_\_\_\_ yes      \_\_\_\_\_ no

I will be attending the JUMP Dance Convention (April 13-15) :      \_\_\_\_\_ yes      \_\_\_\_\_ no

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_