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Greetings Dance Gallery 2 dancers and families! After our fantastic June performance and a very quick summer break, The Dance Gallery 2 staff is ready to take on our exciting 26th season! We have lots to look forward to including new teachers, new choreography, our Holiday Revue performance, the Holiday Parade in Disneyland, and, of course, greeting our returning dancers and meeting our new dancers.



Our DG2 2016-2017 Teaching Staff; Front Row, L-R: Ashley Rudolph, Erica Quintero, Alicia Fuller, Kelsi Thomas, Summer Cedarleaf. Back Row, L-R: Shelby Miller, Jordan Riturban, Kevin McKinnon, Jerald Bolden, Steve Glipa, Amber Gabaree. Not pictured: Julia Rodden and Linda Wang. **It's going to be an exciting year!!**

The DG2 teaching staff has been planning our 2016-2017 dance season. As always, our teachers and choreographers come up with great lesson plans and wonderful routines for the Holiday Revue. We are planning ahead and have set a date for our Holiday Revue Performance for Wednesday, December 7th. Mark your calendars!

Be sure to also mark Saturday, October 29th for our annual Family Fun Fest! It's a great day to come and enjoy this special event. All of our DG2 families & friends are invited! We will have food, games, pony rides, a bounce house, face painting and good old-fashioned fun! Even better--it's all FREE for everyone!!

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DATES TO REMEMBER

Tuition Due	September 1st
Classes Begin	Saturday, September 10th
Invite a Friend Week	September 26 - October 1
Holiday Revue Recital Fee Due	October 15th
Family Fun Fest	Saturday, October 29th
Holiday Revue Performance	Wednesday, December 7th

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Parents! We have designed the DG2 studios with an observation area known as the "Quiet Zone." We encourage parents to sit in on the classes to take notes to help their dancer practice at home. Video cameras are also welcome. However, it is important to remember that the teachers need to have lots of cooperation in order to give your dancer their best. Voices and commotion are very distracting to the dancers, so please remember our observation area is a Quiet Zone!!

"It's Showtime 2016" DVDs are almost ready for pickup. This year EFX had well over 3,500 minutes of footage from five different camera angles to catch the best clips of our fantastic June show. The DVDs can be picked up in the old studio anytime after September 10th. If you ordered photos last season and did not pick them up, they are also available in the old studio.

We have a strict policy of NO FOOD, GUM or DRINKS (water only) in the DG2 Studios. PLEASE help us keep our studios nice for everyone!



FREE HIP HOP CLASSES!



What??? Who does that???

Here's your chance to give it a try! And it's completely FREE through September! The Dance Gallery 2 Hip Hop Teaching Team of "J & L" want to introduce you to their exciting Hip Hop style! Jordan and Linda are offering FREE hip hop classes every Friday at 7 pm through September. Offer good for 14 yrs - Adult. Limited space. Call today!

The Dance Gallery 2 is very proud to announce our new Hip Hop teaching team of "J & L". You've admired them both performing in June during the Wild West "Shoot Out" scene in our Silver production number. The two of them stole the show, when they danced along with our hip hop class on stage and really made an impression! When they informed the DG2 that they were willing to take over the program and choreograph and train our Hip Hop dancers, there was no question that they would be welcomed onto our wonderful teaching staff!

Linda Wang and Jordan Riturban are both talented members of the popular Sacramento award winning Dance Crew "Press P.L.A.Y". Both dancers have quite an accomplished background and have made their mark among the greats of the Hip Hop world both locally and internationally. They have already begun planning and implementing their ideas into an amazing program for our hip hop students! Their style and creativity has made them both "in demand" teacher/choreographers, and the DG2 is so fortunate to have them.

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Jerald Bolden



Kevin McKinnon

At the DG2, we take pride in having amazing and accomplished teacher/choreographers on our teaching staff. This year, we are proud to announce the return of one of the DG2 favorites, Jerald Bolden. Jerald has been working with the DG2 since his return from his professional dance career in New York City 4 years ago. He has come in as a guest artist to give a Contemporary genre workshop, a choreographer for our teachers Holiday Revue performance and as a substitute for our tap pack classes. We feel privileged that Jerald has agreed to join our permanent DG2 teaching staff as the Tap Pack director/choreographer/teacher!

Our tap pack dancers are in for an incredible experience because Jerald has had incredible dance experiences as a result of his teaching opportunities and training at the Broadway Dance Center in New York City! Not only a choreographer and teacher, Jerald has performed regionally with Sierra Repertory Theatre, Sacramento Theatre Company and Woodminster Summer Musicals. He has also toured nationally and internationally with Sesame Street Live. This summer he returned to his inspiration, New York City, to refresh and study by taking Tap Intensives classes. He holds a masters of arts in Theatre from CSU Sacramento and is a proud member of Actors Equity.

Kevin McKinnon started dancing at 7 years old, studying Jazz, Musical Theater, Tap, Ballet, and even Acting. Kevin feels his strongest foundations and techniques are in Ballet and Jazz and for the past 10 years has been sharing that passion in the classes he teaches. In addition to teaching dance, for 6 years, Kevin could be seen performing with Placer Theatre Ballet, dancing the starring roles in The Nutcracker and the in Alice in Wonderland.

After high school, Kevin spent 14 months living in Swaziland, South Africa, and Botswana working with high school students, in the hospitals, and at orphanages. He also spent time studying in Switzerland. With his world travels and years of dedication to dance, Kevin's developed a belief that he incorporates into his dance classes that is a perfect fit at DG2. He firmly stands by his conviction that dance class is not just a place to learn steps to a dance, but an opportunity to learn valuable life lessons like respect, discipline, and dedication. Kevin has spent the past 8 years as the In-House Choreographer and Dance Program Assistant at Oakmont High School. In that time, his choreography of choice has been a blend of Jazz and Contemporary genre. Kevin is very excited about this opportunity to join the teaching staff at the Dance Gallery 2 and the DG2 is excited to have Kevin McKinnon on board!

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The DG2 is very proud to present this season's dedicated and talented Student Teachers. These are the hard working, accomplished, devoted 13 through 18 year old DG2 dancers who have participated in DG2 programs for more than 5 years and have proven to be upstanding citizens as well as stand out dancers. Their role model position at the DG2 is to assist our teachers and choreographers in all phases of the DG2 dance season. The Student Teachers are incredible volunteers that not only understand the beliefs and vision of the DG2, they are also working toward their high school community service graduation requirements, again with the priority, "school comes first". They are the cream of the crop! Front, L-R: Mimi Oliver, Ariana Gromakov, Bella Encarnacion, Alexa Gabaree, Mary Vinson. Back, L-R: Emily Beasley, Emily Gabaree, Emily Quintero, Justin McNinch, Jaiya Clar, Summer Edon, Chyann Hill.



The Jr. Student Teacher program is an opportunity that gives our more dedicated younger dancers a position of representation, responsibility and accountability. The Jr. Student Teachers have to meet the qualifications and sign a contract with Miss Lucy, that requires that each must uphold to the expectations of DG2. During their training session, the Jr. STs are advised that they are no longer just DG2 students, but are now special role models for our youngest DG2 dancers, with a "school comes first" priority. The Jr. STs job is to assist the Student Teachers in the classroom, backstage during rehearsals and performances and at Student Teacher events. We are proud to welcome this amazing group of young accomplished dancers! Pictured: Bkrow; Amanda, Tatum, Emily, Tara, Abby, Brooke, Skyler; Middle row: Madison, Syncere, Ariana, Emily, Natalie, Makayla, Tayler; Front row: Isabela, Natalya, Grace, Mia, Emma, Juliana, Melody.

"BRING A FRIEND" WEEK Sept. 26 - Oct. 1st!

Have you ever wanted to show your friends why you are always so happy on dance day? NOW YOU CAN! Invite them to join you for a full class at DG2 where they can experience the magic with you! Invitations will be available in class. If your friend decides to dance with us at the DG2, you can take advantage of our referral program and get a discount on next month's tuition. Remind your friend to list **your name** on their registration form when they sign up, and the discount will be applied to your account. **This offer expires October 18th.**



Student Teacher Director, Amber McNinch, Assistant Director, Amber Gabaree, and Student Teacher Advisor, Jessica Hutchinson.



Jr. Student Teacher Advisors: Summer Edon and Emily Gabaree.

This season's Student Teacher Advisor staff is planning a real exciting year for our amazing Student Teaching and Jr. Student Teaching groups. The team has been meeting and designing the new program over the summer and we are so grateful to have this dedicated team working with our young people!

**The DG2's 2016-2017
dance season begins
Saturday,
September 10th!**

**WELCOME EVERYONE
& HAPPY DANCING!**

The DG2 Staff