

MAY2019 NEWSLETTER

The Studio & Santa Cruz Ballet Theatre | partners in excellence serving Santa Cruz County for over 30 years Robert Kelley and Diane Cypher, Artistic Directors | Sandy Nelson, Administrative Manager | Rod Caborn, SCBT Board President

STUDENT DEMONSTRATION AND EMERGING CHOREOGRAPHY SHOWCASE 7 PM, FRIDAY, MAY 31 SAMPER RECITAL HALL @CABRILLO COLLEGE

Our annual Student Demonstration and Emerging Choreography Showcase will be held Friday, May 31 at 7 pm at the Samper Recital Hall, across the lawn from the Crocker Theater at Cabrillo College. Two new pieces by our own dancers will be featured: *Abessive* choreographed by Flora Chatwin and *To Whom It May Concern* choreographed by AvaRose Dillon.

SCBT Junior and Petite Companies will also perform. As always, each academy class will present a demonstration of skills mastered during the entire year. This presentation is a great example of the progression in our academy, from the youngest Pre-Ballet student through to our advanced Level VI dancers.

Each participating dancer receives two complimentary tickets. **Tickets must be picked up in the office this month**. Additional tickets may be available for \$20 each. Please see Sandy in the office and put your name on the waiting list for additional tickets. Seating is limited and tickets will NOT be available at the door.

The demonstration will last approximately one hour in length and will culminate with the presentation of the annual Leslie Swaha Award. This award recognizes an outstanding student with exemplary work ethic and citizenship.

Dancers must arrive prior to showtime for spacing rehearsals, and must be **attired in their academy uniform** to participate. Come see the exciting future of ballet!

May 31 Showcase CALL TIMES Call Times for dancers to the Samper Recital Hall Friday, May 31.

Dancers must be present at the theater and signed in by their call time. Please arrive ready to dance and do not arrive much earlier than your Call Time.

Senior Company Call 4:00 pm Junior Company Call 4:30 pm Petite Company Call 4:30 pm

All other Professional Program dancers 4:45 pm

Pre-Ballet & Primary Call 6:15 pm

Congratulations to our Senior Company for earning Honor Company credit at the Ballet Alliance Festival in Spokane!

In addition, four of our dancers were awarded early entrance, dance audition fulfillment and scholarships to university and college programs, as well as a scholarship to the Ballet Alliance Summer Choreography Course! Last year's Leslie Swaha Award winner Caroline Meisel, right. Below, Maya Colehower with Otto Redlien and Massimo Ginella; more about Maya on next page.







Summer Special

PRE-BALLET and PRIMARY CLASSES
FOR AGES 4 THROUGH 8
AS LOW AS \$5 PER CLASS!

Enroll by June 1 to take advantage of a very special summer offer for Little Dancers. New and continuing students qualify. Call or visit our website for an enrollment form. (831) 479-1600 scbt.org





CLASS PHOTOS

Class photos will be taken during class the following days. Wear your academy uniform (SCBT Company girls in Company leotards), Professional Program girls in black tank leotard, pink tights and shoes. Wear your most attractive hairdo; no jewelry or fingernail polish and make every effort to be in class on time. Yes, some classes have more than one photo in different combinations. Jpegs may be ordered from the office. See Sandy for an order form. Our photographer Jim Schwartz gives permission for the purchased file to be used as you like. They can make great birthday cards for grandparents!

Pre-Ballet Thursday, May 23 Primary Monday, May 20

Levels Ia and Ib Monday, May 20 and Thurs, May 23

Level IIa Tuesday, May 21
Levels IVa and IVb Tuesday, May 21
Levels IVb and V Monday, May 20
Levels V and VI Tuesday, May 21
Boys Thursday, May 23



THE STUDIO SUMMER PROGRAMS

Submit your enrollment form by June 1 to reserve your space in the programs

ADVANCED AND POINTE/PRE-POINTE FOCUS WEEK

June17-21

Students in Level IIa begin Pointework or start Preparatory Pointe classes

SUMMER SESSION

June 24-July 19

Pre-Ballet through Level VI, as well as Monday & Wednesday Open Program classes

SUMMER INTENSIVE PROGRAMS

July 22-August 2

Levels IIa through VI

Due to the strenuous nature of our intensive programs, minimum 3 weeks participation of the Summer Session are required.

Congratulations

to our longtime student and Santa Cruz Ballet Theatre dancer MAYA COLEHOWER, who will attend UC Santa Barbara next fall on scholarship. Maya is considering a double-major in Dance and Marine Biology. Maya's skill and superior work ethic have earned her scholarship and grant money to attend UCSB's Dance Department. She has blossomed into a beautiful dancer and young woman. We will miss her calm, steadfast and positive demeanor in the studio, and wish her the best in all of her future endeavors! Maya pictured at left in *La Volonta*; photo by Nicole Formenti.