

APRIL2016 NEVSLETTER

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, Academy Registrar | Mark Swan, SCBT Board President

CLASS PHOTOS

2016 Class photos will be taken in April. Come prepared with your clean uniform, perfect hair, no jewelry or hair accessories, no nail polish. Professional Program girls need to wear their scoop-neck tank leotard. SCBT Senior Company in company leotard. Photos schedule is as follows:

Monday Pre-Ballet	Monday, April 11
Thursday Pre-Ballet	Thursday, April 14
Primary	Thursday, April 14
Level la	Monday, April 11
Level Ib	Thursday, April 14
Level IIb	Thursday, April 14
Level IVa	Monday, April 11
Level IVb	Monday, April 11
Level V	Thursday, April 14
Level VI	Thursday, April 14
Boys Class	Friday, April 15

THE ACADEMY WILL BE CLOSED MAY 2-8 FOR SPRING BREAK

BASIC DIRECTIONAL TERMINOLOGY

devant = with the front leg; to the front derrière = with the back leg; to the back

en avant = traveling forward en arrière = traveling backward

downstage = forward; the part of the stage near the audience

upstage = toward the back of the stage, away from the audience. Think in terms of the history of stages, which were originally raked (built on a slant) so the audience could see everyone on it; now the audience is on a slant instead of the stage.

over (dessus) = from the back to the front, as in when a passé goes from fifth back to fifth front

under (dessous) = from the front to the back, as in when a passé goes from fifth front to fifth back

reverse = examples: en dehors becomes en dedans, under becomes over, devant becomes derrière

retrograde = the same steps in reverse order: the last step in a series becomes the first step and so on, but the steps themselves do not change





Our class photos have been taken by Jim Schwartz for over 15 years. Place an order with Sandy in the office for the full-resolution jpeg file of your class.



Photo of Santa Cruz Ballet Theatre in performance at the Regional Dance America Festival in Spokane 2014 by Scott Martinez.

Santa Cruz Ballet Theatre In Concert at the Crocker Theater Saturday, April 2 2 pm & 6 pm

Purchase tickets at the Cabrillo Crocker Box Office or online at Cabrillovapa.com

Don't miss an exhilarating evening of mixed repertoire, including premieres by Robert Kelley and Nahshon Marden, plus the west-coast premiere of an award-winning piece by guest choreographer Jacqueline College featuring guest artist Skylar Kolby Burson. Petite and Junior Company dancers also perform.

STUDENT DEMONSTRATION

EMERGING CHOREOGRAPHERS SHOWCASE **SATURDAY, JUNE 4** @ 4 pm CABRILLO SAMPER RECITAL HALL

Our classes have been perfecting their skills all year long. Soon it will be time to show those skills in our annual Student Demonstration. Every student in our Preparatory or Professional Ballet Programs with good attendance is invited to participate. Each participant receives two complimentary tickets — pick yours up in the office during the month of May. Additional tickets can be purchased at The Studio during office hours.

The new works by three of our Senior Company dancers will be showcased on the concert. We often marvel at the talent of our young dancers. Robert Kelley has held his Choreography Course each summer for the past 3 years, and our dancers are gaining more skill and confidence. Not every dancer wishes to choreograph, but those who do are given this valuable opportunity at the end of each season. We look forward to seeing their ideas in action.

SUMMER STUDY

We are pleased to offer our usual array of Summer Programs this summer. For more information go to the Academy pages at scbt.org or thestudioschoolofclassicalballet.com. Without academic distractions, summertime presents the perfect opportunity to improve your skills and increase stamina. We look forward to seeing you in the studio.

REGIONAL DANCE AMERICA

Our company group of 42 (dancers, directors, chaperones, board members and volunteers) is getting ready to travel to Phoenix for the 51st anniversary Pacific Region Festival. Our Senior Company will perform Robert Kelley's "Venteux" on the Friday evening concert. What a wonderful opportunity the Festival is. We hope all of our representatives return rejuvenated and inspired. Have a great trip!

