



the pointe! news from berkeley ballet theater

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FINAL 2007-2008 MASTER CLASS FOR YOUTH COMPANY MEMBERS:

4/24 4-6:30 PM Janie Parker Houston Ballet

BBT'S YOUTH COMPANY PERFORMS AT THE JUNIOR BACH FESTIVAL

On Saturday March 22, at St. John's Presbyterian Church across College Ave. from BBT, our dancers will perform a new piece choreographed by Erica Jeffrey to the Largo and Gigue from Bach's Sonata in C Major (S1037). It will be a thrilling opportunity for them (and audience members) to experience the fusing of movement with live music. The young musicians are talented and spirited; come and be inspired by amazing young artists! Performances are at 3 PM and 7:30 PM. For more information, visit juniorbach@earthlink.net.

CALLING FOR CARPENTERS

Miss Sarah needs 3 boxes built for the set of "La Boutique Fantastique" for the spring show. Each box high and sturdy enough to hold "dolls," (dancers) in the "store." Does anyone have the necessary time and carpentry skills? BBT will provide specifications and all materials.

THE MATCH GAME

Please remember that many companies offer matching funds for your donations to BBT. This year we have received matches from Bank of America, Clorox, Gap, Google, Lehmann Brothers, and PG&E. It's worth checking to see whether your employer offers a similar program.



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LEVEL 7 MERIT SCHOLARSHIP

Rose Kirshner has been awarded the Merit Scholarship for Level 7. Way to go, Rose!

APRIL 5 FUN-RAISER TALENT SHOW

Come witness the impressive non-ballet talents of our BBT family while sharing dinner and bidding on fabulous auction items. Reserve your spot by phoning 843-4689. Pay at the door with cash or your credit card. Some thrilling items donated so far are:



- a piano!
- BBT class card
- massage gift certificates
- a college advising meeting
- gorgeous gift baskets created by each BBT level
- an antique cut-glass vase
- a huge original painting
- tickets to the SF Jazz Festival, Berkeley Opera, Aurora Theater, SF Symphony, Diablo Ballet, and sporting events
- cases of wine
- gently-used fashion items
- hand-made accessories
- artisan jewelry

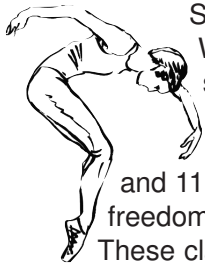
And it's not too late to donate other items or services for the auction. Call Celeste Marx at (510)388 7216 or email her at shaker0309@gmail.com. She will arrange transport and pick-up.

BAKERS NEEDED!

We need donations to the Dessert Auction, a fun and delicious part of the FUN-Raiser on April 5. Please contact Celeste Marx at shaker309@gmail.com or 451-1977 if you can bring a goody!



MODERN WORKSHOPS BEGIN THIS MONTH



Sarah Hayward, former dancer with Dennis Wayne's "Dancers" as well as BBT adult student, will teach our modern workshops this year. For six Saturdays, beginning March 29, dancers ages 7-10 (9-10 AM) and 11-teen (10-11:15 AM) will explore the freedom and joy of modern dance movement.

These classes are open to both current BBT ballet dancers and students new to BBT. It's a great way to invite your friends to dance with you! There will be an opportunity for parents to observe the final session.

CELEBRATE INDEPENDENCE DAY BY HOSTING AN OUT-OF-TOWN BALLERINA!

Since 4th of July falls on a Friday, creating a three-day weekend, our summer program students from far away will be taking a break from the dorm. We need BBT families to house these girls from Thursday at 5 until Monday early morning. You will receive \$150 for each girl staying at your house. Please contact Susan Weber at extension 113 if you can help. Thanks!

OVER 21? LOVE TO DANCE? REMEMBER WHAT IT'S LIKE TO BE A TEENAGER? HAVE WE GOT A DEAL FOR YOU!

For the first time, BBT will be offering a residential option for students attending our C/D Summer Intensive June 23-July 11. We have conducted auditions out of town, and have received requests for housing. This creates openings for one or two dormitory chaperones. We need one person from June 23-July 3 and July 7-11, and possibly another from June 30-July 3 and July 7-11. Duties will include supervision of no more than nine 13-17-year-old students when they are not at the studio, walking them to BBT in the morning and picking them up at 5, eating and sleeping in the UC Berkeley Unit 1 dormitory with them. In exchange, you will receive your own room, 2 meals most days, free classes at BBT for 2-3 months (depending on the length of your chaperone job), and either a cash stipend or free summer tuition to the intensive for a member of your family. If you're interested, please call Susan Weber at extension 113 to schedule an interview.



SUMMER INTENSIVE WORKSHOP TUITION ASSISTANCE

If your family needs help in order to send your child to BBT's Summer Intensive Workshops, please apply in the BBT office for tuition assistance.



IMPORTANT DATES

- March 17-23
Spring Holiday - No Children's Classes
- Saturday 3/22
3:00 & 7:30 Youth Company in Jr. Bach Festival
- Sunday 3/23
No Classes Held
- Saturdays 3/29-5/3
Modern Workshops
- Saturday April 5
6-9 PM FUNRaiser Talent Show / Silent Auction
- Saturday April 19
Spring Show Tickets on Sale
- Thursday April 24
4-6:30 PM Janie Parker Master Class
- Saturday April 26 & May 3
12-6 PM Studio Rehearsal
- Saturday May 3
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- Saturday May 10
9:30-11:30 AM Pre-Ballet Theater Dress Rehearsal
- Wednesday May 14
4-8:30 PM Cast A and Outreach Dress Rehearsal
- Thursday May 15
10 AM Outreach Performance
4-7 PM Cast B Dress Rehearsal
- Friday May 16
7 PM Performance - Cast A
- Saturday May 17
11 AM Pre-Ballet Performance
2 PM Performance - Cast A
7 PM Performance - Cast B
- Sunday May 18
2 PM Performance - Cast B

