

Class and Lesson Descriptions

Spring Semester January 12th - May 8th, 2015

Dance, Theatre, Voice, and Music classes run on a 15 week semester basis January 12th – May 8th 2015. *Payment for classes are due prior to any class attended and may be paid in full or on a monthly basis*. All classes and times are subject to change based on enrollment. For questions, more information, or to register please contact Katie at 607.776.4151 or katiebernier@fln.org.

Classes

- <u>Creative Writing & Illustrating</u> Wednesday 4:00-5:00
- Intro to Stage Design Thursday 5:00-6:30
- Voice Class Monday 6:00-7:00
- Instrumental Ensemble Monday 7:00-8:00
- Tap/Jazz (Youth) Friday 4:00-5:15
- Tap/Jazz (Teen/Adult) Wednesday 7:00 -8:00
- Beginning Ballet Monday 4:00-5:00
- Intermediate Ballet-Monday 5:00-6:30
- Intermediate/Advanced Ballet-Tuesday 4:00-5:30
- Worship Dance Friday 5:30-6:30
- Musical Theater Wednesday 5:45-7:00
- Creative Movement Monday 3:00-4:00

Lessons

• Private Instrument and Voice Lessons Monday - Friday (Inquire for details)

Spring Semester 2015 Dates:

- Semester runs January 12th through May 9th, 2015
- Registration for classes opens November 15^{th,} 2014
- Registration Deadline for classes is January 5th, 2015
- Private lessons for current students are ongoing and they do not need to re-register. New lesson students may start at any time.
- Classes and lessons start the week of January 12th, 2015 for the spring semester.
- Spring Production March 19-22nd, 2015 (Show is held at Family Life. Center for the Arts does <u>not</u> break –continues per usual)
- Spring Break (Easter) March 30th- April 3rd, 2015 (*No lessons or classes. Center for the Arts does break*)
- Youtheater Production May 1st-3rd, 2015 (At Family Life)
- Center for the Arts production break April 27th-May 1st, 2015 (No lessons or classes. Center for the Arts <u>does</u> break due to number of students in the production)
- Semester ends week of May 4th- 8th, 2015. Last week of classes. (Classes end, but lessons continue till June).
- Dance Rehearsal May 8th, 2015 (At Family Life)
- Dance Recital May 9th, 2015 (At Family Life)
- Last week of private Vocal and Instrumental lessons, week of June 1st-5th,
 2015
- Vocal and Instrumental Recital June 5th, 2015 (at Family Life)

Registration for classes through Family Life's Front Office – 607.776.4151
Registration for lessons through Family Life's Performing Arts Department katiebernier@fln.org
or call and ask for Katie – 607.776.4151 ext. 257



Center for the Arts - Classes

Creative Writing & Illustrating Wednesday

4:00-5:00

Wednesdays 1/14/15 --5/6/15, 4:00-5:00pm. \$120* (per 15 week term)

Instructor: Megan Archer

The world is surrounded by stories ready to be shared. The best stories are just waiting to be written down. In Creative Writing and Illustrating, students will investigate different picture books and begin to write their own. They will learn the process that every author/illustrator goes through between idea and publication, including story boarding, editing, and final publication. Students will also explore journal writing and various illustration techniques, such as drawing, collage, pen and ink, and more. The class will culminate with a final completed, illustrated book. Through this class, students will be able to discover the stories within and be fueled to continue to explore methods for writing down their adventures. *Each student will be required to provide pencils, a 1" 3-ring binder, a regular school notebook and a packet of lined paper. For students ages 11-18*

Intro to Stage Design Thursday 5:00-6:30

Thursdays 1/15/15 --5/7/15, 5:00-6:30pm. \$180* (per 15 week term)

Instructor: Megan Archer

Every show requires a setting to be placed into and the set designer who is responsible for creating it. In order to create the proper set, the set designer must know about the stage, the lighting, color and the script. Intro to Stage Design will provide a basic understanding and practice of these concepts while providing opportunities to design their own set as well as working directly with the director to provide design ideas for an upcoming production at Family Life. Students will receive a hands-on look into the world of stage design with projects, such as scaled stage plots, lighting designs, and 3-D set design models. Each student will be required to provide an 8½ x 11 or 9x12 sketchbook (preferably spiral bound), pencils, and a separate eraser. Class will meet on Thursdays through April 23rd, and one three hour Saturday morning class to work on actual set pieces. Saturday date during spring semester 2015 TBA. Ages 14 and up.

* There is a one-time additional supply cost of \$25, due the first week of class.



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Voice Class Monday 6:00-7:00

Mondays 1/12/15 -- 5/4/15, 6:00-7:00pm. \$120 (per 15 week term)

Instructor: Lisa Karr

This class will cover the basics of singing: proper posture, diaphragmatic breathing, tone production, diction, harmonization and the teamwork skills needed to sing in a group. Students can expect to become more confident singers while having lots of fun! All ages welcome!

<u>Instrumental Ensemble</u> *Monday 7:00-8:00*

Mondays 1/12/15 --5/4/15, 7:00-8:00pm. \$120 (per 15 week term)

Instructor: Liesl Leonard

Instrumental Ensemble is designed for wind and percussion players. This ensemble will meet weekly for rehearsals, culminating in a concert in May. Occasional Saturday rehearsals may be added at the director's discretion as necessary. The repertoire programmed will vary based on the size and composition of the ensemble itself. The goal of the ensemble is to provide playing and performing opportunities to instrumentalists of all ages as well as to expose players to a diverse repertoire of music. *Note: Rehearsals may expand to two hours if there are more than sixteen students enrolled.* Three years of experience required, ages 12 and up.

Tap/Jazz (Youth) Friday 4:00 -5:15

Fridays, 1/16/15--5/8/15, 4:00-5:15pm. \$150.00 (per 15 week term)

Instructor: Wendy Spencer

Emphasis of the jazz portion of this course is on posture, strengthening, development of coordination, vocabulary, anatomy, and musicality. Students can expect to work at on the floor, center, and traveling movements. The tap portion of the class is designed to develop rhythm, form, and sound. Exercises focus on building flexibility of the knee and ankles, coordination, and speed of movement. The class emphasis is on developing proper tap technique, producing clear tap sounds, and having fun. Ages 6 through 14.

Tap/Jazz (Adult) Wednesday 7:00 -8:00

Wednesdays, 1/14/15--5/6/15, 7:00-8:00pm. \$150.00 (per 15 week term)

Instructor: Miki Reaume

Tap and Jazz is a combination class for teens and adults who are looking for an energetic and fun dance class that is a great workout. This low impact class will be easy to follow with the focuses on cardiovascular training and basic technique of both jazz and tap. No prior experience is necessary for this class. Ages 14 and up.

Beginning Ballet Monday 4:00-5:00

Mondays 1/12/15 -- 5/8/15, 4:00-5:00pm. \$120.00 (per 15 week term)

Instructors: Lauren Norris and Andrea Wilkinson

Beginning Ballet is the first formal ballet class that incorporates traditional ballet structure. Emphasis of this class is on posture, strengthening, development of coordination, ballet terminology and vocabulary (taught in French), anatomy, and musicality. Students can expect to work at on barre, center, and traveling movements. This is the first class where students wear ballet technique shoes. This very important level sets the foundations for all of the levels that follow. No previous experience is necessary. Ballet instruction is based on skill level, over age.

Intermediate Ballet-Monday 5:00-6:30

Mondays 1/12/15 -- 5/8/15, 5:00-6:30pm. \$150 (per 15 week term)

Instructors: Lauren Norris and Andrea Wilkinson

Intermediate Ballet is designed to build upon the work mastered in Beginning Ballet. This class will reinforce the basic elements of correct postural alignment, weight transitions, all of the small, medium, and large poses of ballet, and terminology. Students will be introduced to turning, more intricate jumping (allegro), and traveling patterns. Ballet instruction is based on skill level, over age.

Intermediate/Advanced Ballet -Tuesday 4:00-5:30

Tuesdays 1/113/15-5/5/14, 4:00-5:30pm. \$180 (per 15 week term)

Instructor: Andrea Wilkinson

Advanced Ballet will be taught concurrently with Intermediate Ballet. Emphasis is placed on coordination of all of the parts of the body and lower body strengthening. Tempos for many basic steps will be increased. This is a demanding class for students who wish to have a serious study of ballet. This level is where students have the greatest potential for securing technical strengths, musical sensitivity, and artistic awareness. The teacher will work meticulously on each student's individual dance needs while closely coaching each student in technical advancement. *Please note that someone will be contacting you after registration to confirm correct placement in class based on your prior experience.* Ballet instruction is based on skill level, over age.

Worship Dance -Friday 5:30-6:30

Fridays, 1/16/15--5/8/15, 5:30-6:30pm. \$150.00 (per 15 week term)

Instructor: Wendy Spencer

Worship Dance class emphasis will be in basic dance concepts and choreography that can be utilized celebrate and worship the Lord. Those enrolled will be equipped with a foundation to interpret songs with movement, enabling them to minister in dance or dance in their own worship time. No prior experience is necessary. Ages 12 and up.



Musical Theater Wednesday 5:45-7:00

Wednesdays, 1/14/15--5/6/15, 5:45-7:00pm. \$150.00 (per 15 week term)

Instructor: Miki Reaume

Musical Theater class combines jazz technique with other varieties to create a "Broadway" style of dance. This class will follow a jazz warm up along with center and floor work. Emphasis of combinations will combine acting with jazz dance. Class is open to dancers ages 14 and up who have an intermediate level of jazz technique. Ages 14 and up.

Creative Movement *Monday 3:00-4:00*

Mondays 1/12/15 -- 5/8/15, 3:00-4:00pm. \$120 (per 15 week term)

Instructor: Lauren Norris

Creative Movement class encourages young children to explore movement and develop coordination. This class incorporates basic dance steps, rhythm games to encourage musicality, and will encourage development of fine motor skills while introducing children to the basics of dance. Class is performed in bare feet to assist in teaching children how to articulate movements. For children ages 4-5.

Important information

Please note: Payment for classes is due prior to any class attended and may be paid in full or on a monthly basis (in 4 payments). Discounts are available for classes paid in full <u>if</u> there are multiple students or multiple classes taken within the same family. All classes and times are subject to change based on enrollment. For questions, more information, or to register please contact Family Life's Performing Arts Department at 607.776.4151 or <u>katiebernier@fln.org</u>.

Teacher Bios may be found online at www.fln.org/creative-arts/center

Withdraw/ Refund policy:

Should a student elect to withdraw from a registered class, please note the following refund policy:

- Refunds will ONLY be considered should the student withdraw within the first three weeks of the semester.
- · The cost of the first four weeks of the semester will be deducted from any refunds issued.
- · Refunds are subject to class minimums. Should the withdraw of the student cause the class to fall below the minimum students required, refunds and the refund amount are subject to the discretion of the management. Should a student elect to withdraw from **lessons**, please note the following refund policy:
- The cost of any books/ supplies purchased by the student will be deducted from any refunds issued.

Please see handbook for dress code, weather and cancelation policies.



Center for the Arts - Lessons

Family Life also offers a wide range of private lessons and individual instruction in the arts.

- Drums/Percussion
- Brass
- Woodwinds
- Piano
- Guitar
- Voice

Lessons are given weekly and scheduled at various times depending on the lesson type and teacher's schedule. Lessons are \$18 per half hour of individual instruction. Our teachers are committed to excellence and carefully tailor the lessons to meet the student's needs and skill level while encouraging continued growth. For more information on these lessons, or about our teachers, please inquire at 800.927.9083 or katiebernier@fln.org.

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