



# Dance Times



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## Calendar of Events

### Labor Day Closed

**Monday, September 7th**  
Both studios will be closed on Monday, Sept 7th in observance of Labor Day!

### Conyers Studio Parent Meeting

**Thursday, September 17th**  
Come out to our first Parent Meeting of the year at the Conyers Studio on Thurs, Sept 17th at 6:30 pm

### Stone Mountain Studio Parent Meeting

**Saturday, September 19th**  
Come out to our first Parent Meeting of the year at the Stone Mountain Studio on Sat, Sept 19th at 2:30 pm.

### Studio Refer A Friend Day

**Sunday, September 20th**  
To kick off our annual "Bring A Friend Week," we are giving parents a **ONE** time opportunity to earn tuition credit for their referrals. We will have an evening Registration Day for client referrals on Sunday, September 20th from 4:30pm—6:30pm at both locations. For every person that parents refer to come on this evening only, parents will earn \$5 per referral to go towards their account. (Example: If you refer 5 people that come register on September 20th, you will earn \$25 credit on your account)

### Bring A Friend Week

**September 21st-26th**  
Our annual Bring A Friend Week will be the week of September 21st through September 26th for both studios. Students are allowed to invite as many friends as they choose to their dance class. Prizes will be presented to the student that brings the most friends throughout the week. Please make sure friends come dressed ready to dance (*no skirts, dresses, or*

*jeans.*) Please pick up invitations for friends at the front desk. Parents, siblings, and current Academy of the Arts students are not eligible to count as friends for the contest.

### Rockdale County Fair

**Saturday, September 26th**  
Our Trendsetters Dance Company will be performing in the Rockdale County Fair on Saturday, Sept 26th at 4:00 pm. The Fair takes place at the GA International Horse Park in Conyers, GA. Come out and support our Trendsetters as well as enjoy the carnival and festivities.

### Trendsetters Dance Company Auditions

**Sunday, Sept 27th**  
Auditions will be held on Sunday, Sept 27th at our **Stone Mountain Studio**. The company is divided into three separate companies:  
Tiny Tots (Ages 3-7)  
Juniors (Ages 8-11)  
Teens (Ages 12 & up)

Students ages 8 and up must prepare a one minute routine of ballet, tap, jazz, or modern to be considered. The audition times are as follows:

**Tiny Tots : 2:00 pm**  
**Juniors: 3:30 pm**  
**Teens: 5:00pm**

Please check the front desk for more details.  
front desk.

### Tentative Workshop

Academy of the Arts will be hosting a Master Workshop with Della from A.S.I.I.D. of Season 2's America's Best Dance Crew. The workshop date is tentatively set for Saturday, October 3rd. Time is TBA. The workshop will be open to ages 8 & up and will be \$20. Please sign a list if you are interested.

## Teachers & Classes

We welcome all of our new and returning instructors:

**Joanna Brooks**  
Ballet, Pointe, Modern

**Teresa Emmanuel**  
Ballet/Tap/Creative Movement, Jazz

**Beau Foister**  
Ballet, Tap, Jazz/Hip-Hop

**Edward Franklin**  
Modern, Lyrical, African

**Mickie Lewis**  
Hip Hop

**KiTonya McCoy**  
Ballet/Tap, Jazz, Liturgical

**Susan McGhee**  
Ballet/Tap/Creative Movement, Jazz/Hip Hop

**Tiffany Moore**  
Ballet/Tap/ Creative Movement, Jazz, Tap

**Jasmine Roberts**  
Ballet, Pointe, Modern

**David Robinson**  
Ballet, Tap, Jazz/Hip-Hop

**Porscha Sinclair**  
Acrobatics for Toddlers, Ballet/Tap/Creative Movement, Jazz/Hip Hop

**Michael Shealey**  
Karate



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*"Life is a dance, from one stage to the next."  
-anonymous*



## Studio News

### It's A New Season

On behalf of all our staff here at Academy of the Arts, we would like to extend a warm welcome to all our students and parents. To our returning students/parents, we're so glad to have you return for another year of learning, excitement, technique, and fun. To our new students/parents, thank you for joining us, and we hope this will be the first of many seasons for you. Let's all work together and make this season the best it can be.

### Tuition Payment Options

Please be mindful of our studio tuition payment options for our 2009-2010 session. One option is the automatic draft option, where your normal monthly tuition is automatically debited out of a designated account. The other option is the three month payment plan, in which you will only make 3 payments throughout the year, in which each payment covers three months. The first payment on this plan is scheduled for Sept 1st -8th. You will pay three times your monthly tuition. This payment will

cover the months of September – November. The 2nd tuition payment would be December 1st-8th for the next three months (Dec-Feb.), and the last payment is scheduled for March 1st-8th. Please note that all payment made after the 8th of the designated month are subject to late fees. We also have the half year and whole year plans available. If you have any questions about these options please ask our staff at the front desk.

### Arrival/Pick Up

If your child is more than 10 minutes late for class, he/she will only be allowed to watch class, but not participate. It is disruptive to the instructor, as well as other students to arrive to class late. Please watch your children and others when coming to and leaving the studio. **Please make sure you come into the studio to pick up your child, we do not let them walk outside unattended to meet you at your car (parking lot, etc.).**

### Dress Code

Please be aware of our dress code for our 2009-2010 session. Please ask for a Dress Code Sheet at the Front Desk if you have any questions. Students must wear proper uniforms and professional dance brand shoes. Not being properly dressed for class could result in not being able to participate in class.

### Fame Week

#### Sept 28th -Oct 4th

Academy of the Arts is celebrating the release of the movie FAME Sept 28th– October 4th at the studio. All students can wear FAME dance attire! We would love to see your leg warmers, color leotards, and headbands! We will have a **dance** workshop and viewing of the old 1980's movie Fame on Saturday, October 3rd at the Stone Mountain Studio. We will take a Field Trip as a studio to the Movie Theater on Sunday, October 4th to see the new 2009 movie Fame!. More details coming soon!

### Costume Fees

If you would like for your child to participate in Academy of the Arts 13th annual recital in May 2010, there are costume fees associated with this production, Costume fee payments will be due by October 17.



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



### July

Kaylan Covington  
Shanlee Dinwiddie  
Gabrielle Dudley  
Kierstyn Gay  
India Harris  
Antonia Jackson  
Ci'Arra Sheppard  
Amber Thomas  
Shakira Webb

### August

Neveah Burroughs  
Ariana Cherry  
Jonathan Coleman  
Joshua Coleman  
Kennedi Covington  
Cierra DeVille  
Aisha Emmanuel  
Katelyn Fisher  
Candace Foster  
Avery Gilbert  
Kennedy Gomez  
Ashley Grove  
Maya Hudlin  
Anaya Hurley

### September

Jordyn Broadwater  
Geselle Coleman  
Clemencia El Antouri  
Serenity Gardner  
Aniyah Harris  
Acacia Irving  
Cajava Jackson  
Tyler Mendis  
Hunter Neil  
Sherri Oladapo  
A'niya Pratt  
Trinity Singletary  
Deonna Stewart  
Teresa Emmanuel

Good Job to all Academy of the Arts students who participated in the 12th Annual Osun Festival on Saturday, August 29th at Brown Middle School. You all did a wonderful job and we are proud of you!!



Congratulations to Ms. Milly Logan on the birth of a new BABY GIRL on August 31, 2009!! We welcome Zuerina Danielle Logan to the World!!!

Our very own Susan McGhee was selected to choreograph a scene for the new television drama, "The Vampire Diaries," which will premiere in September on the CW Network. Congratulations Ms. Susan!!!!



**KUDOS**