

CIARA DANCE STUDIO

For 21 years, **Ciara Dance Studio** has built our reputation on quality. Our mission is to develop our students to their full potential, in a professional, supportive, and noncompetitive atmosphere. We offer quality training, a caring environment, personal attention, and a dedicated faculty of dance professionals. At **Ciara Dance Studio** every child is given the tools to grow. We provide personal attention to the whole child. We work to bring positive results to the lives of our students, while training them in the art dance. They become not only beautiful dancers, but confident citizens of the world.

SIX IMPORTANT REASONS TO CHOOSE CIARA DANCE STUDIO: Ciara offers small class sizes, sprung marley floors, spacious safe air-conditioned studios, excellent customer service, a welcoming atmosphere, and a lovely year-end recital show-casing your dancer's hard work. Our Musical Theater Academy provides additional training in acting and singing skills along with dance training. We also produce our own outstanding Nutcracker each year. With two performing companies there are many opportunities to shine.

CINDY MCGEE ARTISTIC DIRECTOR, Trained at the prestigious Ruth Page School of Dance and the Lou Conte Dance Studio in Chicago, Miss Cindy is a former member of the highly acclaimed *Hubbard Street Dance Chicago*, her professional career has taken her far, including the Broadway stage, in the Tony award-winning musical *The Wiz*, to Hollywood in the dance movie *Fast Forward* where she worked with director Sidney Poitier. She recently graduated, Magna Cum Laude, from CSUN, with a B.A. in Music Therapy. She prides herself on the professionalism, knowledge, and dedication, evident in Ciara's teaching faculty, staff,

FACULTY

MARYA HARRINGTON (MH)
SAMANTHA HOE (SH)
BECKIE KING KIEFER (BK)

Administrative Assistants
ALEXA VALADEZ
SUSAN KOHOUT

CARA MCGEE (CLM)
CINDY MCGEE (CM)
ANDRE PEREZ (AP)
JOEY THAO (JT)

MARYA HARRINGTON, a graduate from Cal Arts, has been teaching theatre to children, tots to teens, for 17 years. Marya began 1st Stage Productions in 1999 serving the schools in the San Fernando Valley, producing over fifty full-length youth theatre productions. Marya strives to provide a safe environment for the children in our community to have the opportunity to participate in productions and workshops learning basic acting, dance, and vocal skills, while building their self-esteem and having fun!

BECKY KING KIEFER has taught at Ciara for 3 years. She has danced professionally the past decade including performing as a Radio City Rockette in New York City for 5 seasons. She traveled the world as a member of the USO tour. She was principal dancer with The Synthesis Dance Project and The Mantis Project. She has participated in professional workshops with Pilobolus and "Carnivale" directed by Graciela Daniele. She is currently a member of the Mark Goodman Tap Company.]

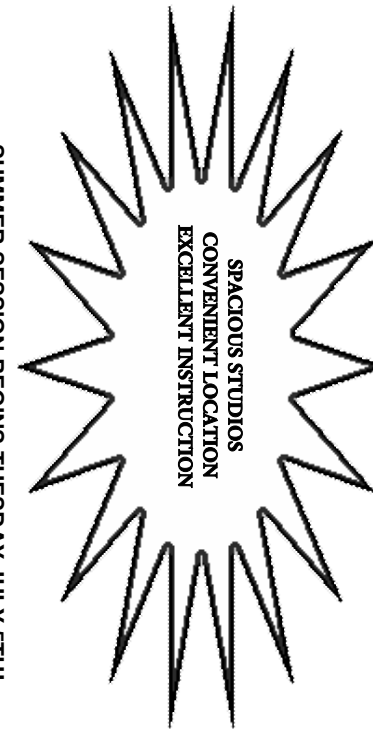
CARA MCGEE is a proud alum of Ciara Dance Studio, where she studied ballet, jazz, modern, pointe, lyrical, and tap for 14 years. After moving to New York, she trained at Alvin Ailey school of dance, where she was awarded the prestigious Oprah Winfrey Fellowship three times in a row. Miss Cara has a BA from Columbia University and has studied and performed with the nations foremost dance instructors and choreographers including Donald McKayle, Alvin Ailey American Dance Company, Dance Theater of Harlem, and Beyonce Knowles. She is excited to join CDS's teaching for her fourth year.

ANDRE PEREZ is returning to the staff at Ciara for a second year, with great enthusiasm and a wonderful energy. He was also with us during our Summer Camp in conjunction with Triple Talent. He has studied at The Edge with Debbie Allen, and trained with original lockmaster, Richie Rich, as well as "Poppin' Pete." Andre has also toured and worked with artists such as Christina Milian and Missy Elliot, amongst others. He has also choreographed pieces for Hip-Hop International, Team Kids, and summer dance camps and shows.

JOEY THAO is joining Ciara Dance Studio's staff this year. He started dancing in his high school dance company at the age of 15 and has trained throughout the Northern California region. In 2009, he graduated from the Edge Performing Arts Center Scholarship program under the directions of Bill Prudich, Randy Allaire, & Carol Connors. He is currently pursuing a professional dance career in Los Angeles and his credits include Nickelodeon's Victorious, Lifehouse's Halfway Gone, Camo Rock 2, and Paris By Night. His choreography has won numerous awards.

Ciara Dance Studio
LOCATED IN THE FALLBROOK CENTER
NEXT TO THE LAEMMLE THEATERS
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SUMMER SESSION BEGINS TUESDAY JULY 5TH!



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