

Music School Expands Programs to Serve Community Better

Families in Columbus benefit by saving time traveling from different activities.

The Columbus School of Music has expanded by the addition of a state-of-the-art dance facility to offer a complete choice of dance classes, and convenience to parents. According to the School Director Gosnell, the school has grown faster than expected since 2001, and it was a natural progression to begin offering dance programs. The fast growth is due to a dedication to providing convenient, top quality music instruction to its students.

Every year the school has added more members to its teaching staff and expanded the programs to include all orchestral, as well as band instruments and voice. In August 2008 the school began dance classes in their new dance facility directly beside the current music facility in The Arches of University Place Shopping Center. The Columbus School of Music is Columbus' largest music school.

Expanded class choices save time for busy families

School Director Gosnell says that many of the parents choose the school because in addition to having excellent teachers and programs it is possible to have 2 or more children in music lessons on the same day and time. The new dance facility will allow parents the option of having one child in music while another child is in dance class. The new facility will have several air-conditioned dance studios and a waiting room for parents. It will be possible to get 2, 3, or even 4 different students in different lessons during the same time period. The school

also has many evening, and weekend class times to accommodate more students in "first choice" times. Between the pressures of homework, sports and family time, a lot of parents can be overwhelmed trying to fit in all the activities.

Gosnell says that many parents and kids are so busy that saving 45 minutes or an hour of commuting time per week between activities is going to really help the typical busy family's schedule.

New Staff

The Columbus School of Music has added several new teachers to its staff for the fall, including a full dance staff. Educationally parents are very impressed with the teachers. The school currently has over 30 staff members. All of the instructors have years of professional training in the instruments they teach and have university degrees. The music school handles everything from 3-year old beginners to extremely advanced, university level students. Due to the number of teachers on staff, the students are matched up with teachers that best match their needs and who relate well with them.

Large variety of Music and Dance classes

A large diversity of instruments are taught from the typical piano, guitar, voice, etc. to the less common viola, cello, and tuba. Although a large number of students choose to take classical instruction, the school also has a very large number of students that study rock, jazz, country or contemporary music. The main focus is on

helping students gain the skills they need to enjoy music long after music lessons are over. In fact school director Gosnell says that the mission of the school is "to provide students of all ages with the skills they need to enjoy music and dance for a lifetime."

The school dance program will offer everything from hip-hop and jazz classes to tap and contemporary dance. The school will also offer classical ballet from beginning ballet to Pointe class. Keeping with the schools philosophy that even the youngest children deserve superior instruction the school will offer a 3-5 year old ballet and creative movement class. The preschool class will introduce correct French terminology to the youngest while allowing them to express themselves through dance.

New facilities offer extra benefits for dancers

One of the most important features of a dance studio is the type of flooring used. The Columbus school of Dance uses floating "Marley" floors which have hundreds of compression foam blocks under the surface that absorb the impact of dancing, which prevents injuries to knees and ankles. Unlike most other dance studios that mount their mirrors 8-12 inches off the ground, the schools studios all have complete floor to ceiling mirrors which allows students to observe their movements more easily. The dance studios are fully air conditioned for students comfort. Students are encouraged to have fun while expanding their skills. Dance also provides a fun way to encourage physical activity.

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REASONS TO CHOOSE OUR MUSIC PROGRAM

1. Experienced professional instructors on all instruments.
2. Students are able to choose from pop, jazz, folk, or classical instruction.
3. Optional low-pressure recitals offered at least twice a year at no charge.

REASONS TO CHOOSE OUR DANCE PROGRAM

1. Experienced professional instructors in all styles.
2. All studios are equipped with floating Marley Dance Floors which help to reduce the risk of injuries and allow students to dance longer without getting tired.
3. No long-term contracts.

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