

Star Dancer News

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Get in Great Shape and have FUN!
CELEBRATE THE NEW YEAR with NEW BEGINNER CLASSES
BELLY DANCE ... DRUM ... FIT OR BUST



Instructor:
Isis

Isis' Star Dancer Studios

2008 NEW BEGINNER BELLY DANCE CLASSES

January 2 - Wednesday

11:30 am

January 3 - Thursday

6:30 pm

January 5 - Saturday

9:00 am

Have fun ... improve health and stamina ... find the inner you - the one who feels good ... make new friends ... bring a friend ... and dance!!!

\$50.00 month - \$10.00 registration fee

Test-outs

with **LIM MAYA**



Is it time to move on to the next level? Have you been putting it off?

CHECK WITH THE FRONT DESK FOR DAYS AND TIMES

FIT OR BUST

with **Lim Maya**



Two Days A Week

Wednesday

6:30 pm-7:30 pm

Saturday

10:00 am-11:00 am

Classes twice a week

\$60.00 month

\$10.00 a class drop-in

Dance Fitness Exercise

DRUM CLASSES

NEW BEGINNERS

January 5, 2008

Saturday

12:00 noon



Instructor:
Al'Abbas

\$50.00 month - \$10.00 registration fee

\$40.00 if a current

Belly Dance student at Studio

2008 Belly Dance Event Calendar Tribute to Troupes

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Featuring 12 Troupes from around the country plus
a photo combining the three *Troupe Choreography*
Winners and members of the

Isis Performing Companies



HULA CLASSES

NEW BEGINNERS

January 3, 2008

Thursday

7:30 pm



Instructor:
Grace Evangelista

Enjoy the passion of the islands
- increase your gracefulness of
movement - learn to dance the
Hawaiian way with the most
popular Polynesian group
in the mid-cities area.

\$50.00 month - \$10.00 registration fee
\$35.00 if a current
Belly Dance student at Studio



Merry Christmas and
Happy Holidays
to Everyone

Congratulations to All our
dancers and drummers
for your wonderful performances
at our annual Christmas Hafla
on December 9, 2007!
Thank you volunteers and Staff for all
your hard work and thank you
everyone for your amazing
donations to the Silent Auction!

Great Shows, Exciting Choices!!!

New Year's Eve with Isis

**Greek Isles Grille
& Taverna**
3309 Central Expwy.
@ Parker Road
Ruisseau Village
Plano Texas 75023

December 31, 2007

972-423-7778

Great food, Great Friends,
Come Ring in the New Year
and start it off Dancing!



NEXT HAFLA

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Seating 7:00 pm
Showtime 7:30 pm
\$10.00 adv/\$12.00 at the door

January HAFLA

January 26, 2008

Wings Workshops and Show

Guests: Professional Performing Company Members

**Del's Spagetti Dinner - \$9.50
and a Drum Jam after the show**

WINGS WORKSHOPS

WITH SNACKS

SATURDAY, JANUARY 26, 2008

12:30 PM ~ 4:45 PM

\$45.00

Exciting Dancing with a Skirt
Rachael

Short, Fun Choreography
Kede



Practice Warm-up to
help improve Technique
Marjan and Isabella

Wings of Isis

Zills to dance with
Sarafina & Rob

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FEB HAFLA

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Seating 7:00 pm
Showtime 7:30 pm
\$10.00 adv/\$12.00 at the door

Sweetheart HAFLA

February 23, 2008

*Dancer and Drummer
Showcase
plus guest performers*



Snacks and a Drum Jam
after the show



Vaa Salla, V'all 2008

August 14 - 17

Thursday - Sunday

Amaya - Show Me the Money

Angelika Nemeth

Artemis

Aziza

Bozenka

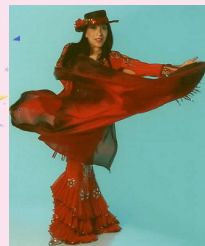
Fahtiem

Rachel Brice

Susu Pampanin

Tobias Roberson

Zoe Jakes



**FABULOUS WEEKEND OF
WORKSHOPS AND SHOWS**

LAYAWAYS AVAILABLE

CURRENT MIDDLE EASTERN (BELLY DANCE) CLASSES

For those of you who have been out for personal reasons (congratulations on your weddings, babies, new houses), and for those of you who have missed any individual classes, below is the current schedule of classes to help you plan times to make up for any classes you have missed! Call if you have any questions!

Middle Eastern (Belly Dance) Classes:

* NEW January 2008 Beginner Classes:

Wednesday - 11:30 am

Thursday - 6:30 p.m.

Saturday - 9:00 a.m.

* Intermediate Beginner Classes:

Monday night - 6:30 p.m.

Saturday morning - 10:00 a.m.

* Advanced I Classes:

Monday night - 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday day - 12:30 p.m.

Thursday night - 7:30 p.m.

Saturday morning - 11:15 a.m.

* Advanced II Classes:

Monday night - 8:30 p.m.

Wednesday day - 1:30 p.m.

Thursday night - 8:30 p.m.

Saturday noon - 12:30 p.m.

* Advanced III Class:

Tuesday night - 6:30 p.m.

* Advanced IV Class:

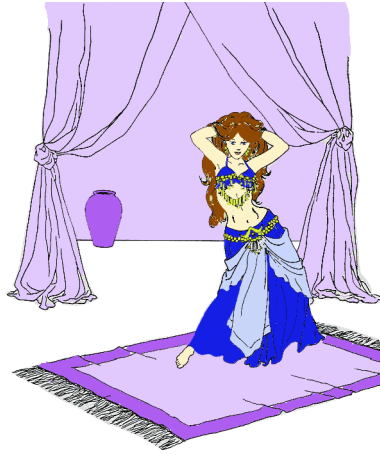
Tuesday night - 7:30 p.m.

Children's Middle Eastern (Belly Dance) Classes

* 4 - 7 year olds - Wednesday - 5:30 pm



2008 Current



(Middle Eastern Classes Continued)

* Performer I Class:

Tuesday night - 8:30 p.m.

Studio & Performing Company

Choreographies, Sword

* Performer II, Performer III,
Professional Performing Company,
Wings of Isis:

Wednesday night - 7:00 p.m.

* Angels Performing Company:

Wednesday - 6:30 p.m.

* Isis Performing Company:

Tuesday night - 8:30 p.m.

Second Tuesday Monthly

Middle Eastern Combination Classes:

* Advanced III/IV Class:

Saturday - 1:30 p.m.

Open Class - Combos



Men's Middle Eastern Dance Classes:

*Men's Beginner Belly Dance Class:

Saturday - 12:30 p.m.

* Men's Intermediate Belly Dance Class:

Saturday - 1:30 p.m.



GRADUATIONS

Welcome to the Star Dancer Family

Belly Dancers

Saturday - December 15 - 9:30 am

Wednesday - December 19 - 12:00 noon

December 20 - 7:00 pm

Drummers

Thursday

December 20 - 7:00 pm



BUDDY VOUCHERS

Don't forget - after you've graduated from the Beginner Belly Dance Classes and received your Middle Eastern diploma, you are eligible to earn free classes.

If a friend signs up for new Beginner classes, lists you on her registration form, then receives a certificate after the full six months, you will earn a free month of classes!!

Pick up your voucher at the front desk immediately after her graduation!

Turn in your voucher for your free month of classes! Opa!

Thank you for being such a valuable part of our world.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Sheryl Brooks on the birth of her son - photo please?

Congratulations to Sarah Brantley, daughter of James Brantley, on the birth of her second daughter, Delilah, on October 28th! She was 18 3/4 inches and 6 lbs, 13 oz.

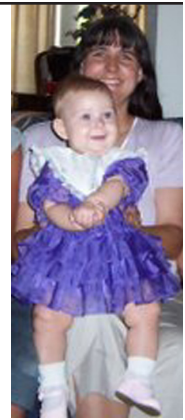


Our dancers' babies are growing up!



Darla Jeter with Jonathan at 1 1/2 years (Oct 2007)

Tara Bailey with Victoria at 8 months (July 2006)
Now both Jonathan & Victoria have turned two years old in November!



Congratulations to The Wings of Isis - Kede, Isabella, Marjan, Nezrana, Rachael, Sarafina, Soraya and Zahira with Rob Lowe and Aaron Thomas on their recent success at the Pre-Halloween Fundraiser! Many Thanks to the Isis Foundation members, LimMaya, Ghaziya and Magi and volunteers Anne Cooke, Pam Casey, Mindy Barrows, Amy Krueger, Allison Long, Nicholas Godbey, Roni Flory, Julie Adoranti, Nell Lang and Dana DeVance for their support and work. How many Belly Dancers (and their families) does it take to put on a fun and awesome event?

Congratulations to P J Posey for creating a registered apprenticeship program - a military spouse initiative! She was recognized at the AHDI conference in Reno!! HUGE honor!

Congratulations to Elizabeth Bakowski, daughter of Joe and Pam Bakowski, on her new movie role - the movie was shown in October at the Harkin Theater in Southlake Town Square. We have a movie star in our midst!

Congratulations to Haley Mayes - she had a beautiful baby girl on November 13th at Arlington Memorial hospital! 18 1/2 inches - 4 1/2 pounds - a tiny bundle of joy! Photo?

Congratulations MERITSET (Mary Weaver):

Mary performed for the Ms. Mature Irving Pageant Her Entertainment bio in the Program read: Meritset has been dancing since July 2006 at the Isis Star Dancer Studio. She is 17 years old and a freshman at North Lake Community College. She hopes to become an anthropologist so she can pursue her passion for Egypt. When not dancing or studying, she loves to write, draw and sing. Her grandmother Lina V. Campagna was crowned Miss Mature Irving in 1989, the same year Mary was born.

Congratulations to Mike and Nell Lang on the birth of their daughter's daughter Katje Deann, September 3 - 20 1/2 inches, 7 lbs, 13 ozs on September 3rd



Congratulations to Marisa and Jose Poot on the birth of their baby boy - pictures, please????



CONGRATULATIONS - GRACE AND STAR DANCER STUDIO HULA DANCERS!

First International Hula Convention, Waikiki, HI - November 15-17, 2007

Grace, Courtney, Patty, Linda and Ditas attended the 3 day convention. The conference was significant for many reasons; however, the most important being that we were learning from "Kumu" (master teachers of hula) with a wide variety of experience and philosophy. There were 550 attendees and 350 were from Japan; all classes had an interpreter. On Thursday evening, we danced at the Hilton Hawaiian Village at the Kumu's evening show. We were treated royally with a presentation of (real) orchid flower leis; a fine introduction; a request for an encore by the band announcer and a certificate for performance on a "stage in Waikiki".

OUR THOUGHTS ARE WITH YOU!


- Get Well Wishes to Theresa Mendez.
- Get Well Wishes to Heather Frazee's Mom.
- Get Well Wishes to Gloria Hanchette.
- Get Well Wishes to Erika Caro's Mom.



PLEASE ACCEPT OUR SYMPATHIES!

Our Sympathies to John Dishman on the loss of his father.

We love and appreciate all of you ... please forgive us if any of your exciting moments or devastating losses are missing ... much love and prayers for you all!!!



Reflections 2007

now on sale!

Only \$12 (+tax)
Purchase 2006 at the same time for \$5.00 extra

Over 1000 photos in your yearbook.
Can be ordered online, by phone, or pick up your copy at the Studio!

CHECK IT OUT!!!!

Don't miss being featured in the 2008 Yearbook.
Layaways begin in April.
Deadline for placing your featured photo is October 1, 2008.

PHOTOS ... PHOTOS ... PHOTOS

Photos of 2006/2007 will be included from:

- *Christmas Hafla 2006
- *All 2007 Studio Haflas
- *Seminars
- *Scarborough Faire

- *Festivals
- *Yaa Halla Y'all
- *Graduations
- *Class Photos

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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2007

CONTEST WINNERS:

- Most Creative: Torre Quinn
- Scariest: Dez Connor/John Enemark
- Funniest: Dez Connor
- Best Couple: Joie & Craig Gibson
- Best Age 12 & Under: Xheneta Krivca



LimMaya

photos by Julie Adoranti
 Video by Roni Flory/John Dishman

Staff not pictured: Nicholas Godbey, Pam Casey

Thank you to The Wings, The Isis Foundation Board and members of the Star Dancers who worked so hard to make this happen!



RAFFLE WINNERS:

- Private lesson Package: Toni Van der Tuin
- Isis Foundation Package: The Chapmans
- BDT Package: Darci Hosken



Guess!



Magi & Ghaziya



Alika & Karyana



A'ria



Isabella & KajaMaya



Farah & Basima

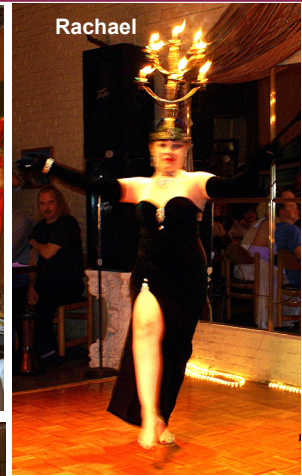


LaNola & Anisha

STAR DANCER NEWS



Sarafina, Isabella,
Nezrana, Kede



Rachael



Isabella,Nezrana,
Zahira, Marjan



Soraya & Rachael



Kede



Dana



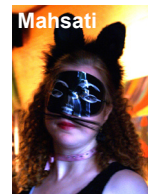
Zel & Ghaziya



Sarafina & Asad



Ahava



Mahsati



Malachi & Alike



Isis HAS GONE GREEN!!

and **red**, and **blue** and **yellow** and **purple** and ...



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BY EMAIL

Please fill out, cut out and
MAIL the form below to ISIS at
P. O. Box 311, Colleyville, Texas 76034
with your current
EMAIL ADDRESS
by December 1, 2007!

OR

EMAIL your current email address
by December 1 or sooner TO:

STARDNCRS@ISISANDTHESTARDANCERS.COM

OR

FILL OUT THE FORM at the studio **BY DECEMBER 1, 2007** or sooner!!!!

The Newsletter can then be in **COLOR** on your computer and
can be printed by you in either color or grayscale for easy reading!

THE FULL NEWSLETTER with photos from the Wings
pre-Halloween party complete with the Show, the Costume
winners and the Raffle winners and the exciting and informative rest of this
newsletter **WILL BE EMAILED TO YOU AS SOON AS WE RECEIVE YOUR EMAIL!**

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ADDRESS _____

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CELL PHONE _____ EMAIL _____

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EMAILS TO CONSISTENTLY RECEIVE YOUR NEWSLETTER!!

**YES! HERE IS THE REMAINDER OF
YOUR NEWSLETTER!!!!**

We hope you enjoy receiving YOUR Newsletter
in **COLOR** !!!

**Let us know what you would like
to see in your newsletter!**

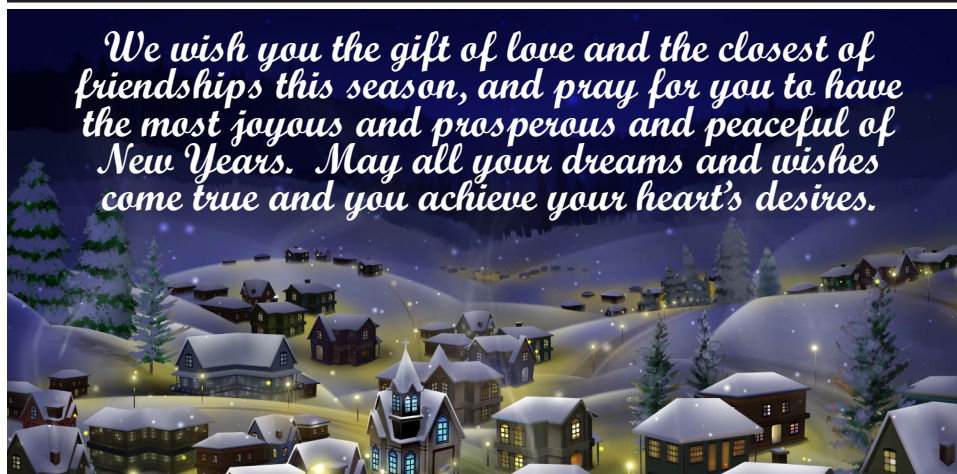


CALENDAR OF EVENTS

We wish you the gift of love and the closest of friendships this season, and pray for you to have the most joyous and prosperous and peaceful of New Years. May all your dreams and wishes come true and you achieve your heart's desires.

Thank you for being a part of the Star Dancer family!

We appreciate you and look forward to sharing the events of 2008 with you, our students, teachers, staff and friends!



DECEMBER

December 9, 2007

*Christmas Hafla, Awards and Silent Auction
Grapevine Convention Center*



December 15 - 20, 2007

Classes and Christmas White Elephant Parties

December 15, 2007

Graduation - Saturday - 9:30 am

December 19, 2007

Graduation - Wednesday - 12:00 noon

December 20, 2007

Graduation - Thursday - 7:00 pm

STUDIO CLOSED FOR HOLIDAYS

December 21, 2007 - January 1, 2008



Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays

Love and

Best Wishes for the New Year!

December 31, 2007

*New Years Eve Celebration with Isis -
Greek Isles Restaurant - Plano*



JANUARY

STUDIO RE-OPENS:

January 2, 2008 - Wednesday

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*New Beginner Belly Dance
Wednesday - 11:30 am*

January 3, 2008

*New Beginner Belly Dance
Thursday - 6:30 pm*

January 5, 2008

*New Beginner Belly Dance
Saturday - 9:00 am*

WELCOME BACK!



January 5, 2008

*New Beginner Drum Classes
Saturday - 12:00 pm*

January 8, 2008

PC Tuesday - 8:30 pm

January 26, 2008

Wings Workshops - Saturday

January 26, 2008

*Hafala - Saturday
Seating 7:00, Showtime 7:30 pm*



FEBRUARY - MAY

February 12, 2008

PC Tuesday - 8:30 pm

February 23, 2008

*Sweetheart Hafala - Saturday
Seating 7:00, Showtime 7:30 pm*

March 11, 2008

PC Tuesday - 8:30 pm

March 29, 2008

*Hafala - Saturday
Seating 7:00, Showtime 7:30 pm*



April 5 - May 26, 2008

Scarborough Faire - Waxahachie

April 2008

Arbor Daze - Euless - date to be announced

April 25, 26, 27, 2008

Denton Arts & Jazz Festival

April 26, 27, 2008

Dallas Dance for the Planet

May 1-4, 2008

Mayfest - Fort Worth



A Dedication to Mom Mickie

March 19, 1919 - October 15, 2007



*Edna Riddell Cobb McCall
"Mickie"*

This is so hard for me to write, but I really want you all to know how grateful Del and I are for the opportunity to know so many wonderful and giving people. Thank you dear friends for your touching cards, the flowers you sent and the love you shared with hugs and memories. And, of course, I can never say enough thank yous to those of you who stepped up and took over classes, organized and set up the reception at the Studio and supported us at Mom's Farewell.

Mother would have been so honored to have heard all the wonderful memories you shared with us, and our entire families thank you for your kindness and support. We know so many of you have suffered losses and you truly do know the heartbreak of those losses. Again, thank you for your warmth and your caring.

I've been requested to share the short history that was read that day in memory of a very special woman who was also a very staunch supporter of the Dancers and Drummers of the Studio.

Sometimes it isn't until someone leaves this world that we discover who they really were/are. We'd like you to know about a beautiful, elegant and strong lady.

Edna Riddell Cobb McCall was the youngest of three children and a tomboy whose brother called her "Mickie". She climbed trees and played ball with the boys. In school she skipped a grade because, although she was the youngest in her class, she was so smart!

She married Robert F. McCall soon out of school and exactly a year later on their first anniversary, had their first of four children: Nancy, then Lana, Michael and Bobby. Their first three children were born during the war years and she joined the war effort working at Bell. She soon was in the vanguard at Lockheed Aircraft Company, where she was in training and became a Technical Illustrator, drawing blueprints for their airplanes.

Raising her children while working, and in spite of frequently doing it alone, her children all graduated from school with both boys going into the Navy and both girls getting married as expected in the South of that era.

What wasn't expected was the need and ability to support herself and her children for many years. During this time, she also designed and made most of her work clothes and some for her daughters - sewing well into the night. She also made the wedding dresses for both girls. All the kids learned skills in order to help out at home.

During her times after her children were grown, she was fearless, driving over the mountains between Georgia and Tennessee to see her parents and help them many weekends as they grew older and had health problems.

Upon retiring from Lockheed after 30 years, Mickie moved to California near Lana, then to Arizona near Bobby and then to Texas near Mike and Nancy.

Mother believed in continuous education. She never took the time to enjoy fiction, but every book she read was a learning experience. In recent years she was fascinated by religion and psychology and started her journals searching for truths and understanding. She crocheted beautiful bed covers, handcrafted Christmas Tree skirts and stockings for all the family, appliqued special sweatshirts for her family and friends, and designed small special blankets for the great grandchildren.

Mother was never very social until she retired and started visiting Isis' Dance Studio. There she loved talking to the students and hearing about their lives and taking part in their special celebrations. She became a part of the Star Dancer family - coming to events, enjoying special people who were loving and kind to her, sewing hip scarves and adding coins and beads to costumes.

Thank you, Mother, for fighting the good fight - for passing on to your children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren so many of your talents; for your strength and determination through adversity, for being so proud of our accomplishments. We are so proud of YOU and so honored to be your children.