

October 13, 2009

Dear Dance Enthusiast:

The Department of Theatre and Dance invites interested high school juniors and graduating senior dance (and musical theatre) students to attend our ***Dance Day Open House on Saturday, December 5, 2009***. Prospective dance students will participate in a free Master Dance Class, beginning at 9:00 AM, taught by the Department of Theatre and Dance's professional faculty. ***High School Seniors are invited to attend the Departmental Dance Scholarship auditions following the Master Class at 11:15 AM.*** Scholarship auditions consist of a dance solo no longer than 2 minutes in length, in a comfortable performance style that does not have to be a completed dance. **Please burn a CD with only the music for the solo on it.**

We strongly suggest all students apply to the university prior to attending the Departmental Scholarship audition. <http://www.semo.edu/admissions/>

Dance Day attendees will also have the opportunity to tour the River campus, speak with current students, and receive two complimentary tickets to the Fall for Dance Concert at 2:00 PM in the Donald C. Bedell performance hall. **Dance Day students must call the box office, 573-651-2265, prior to Dance Day to reserve your complimentary tickets.** Additional tickets may also be purchased.

The Department of Theatre and Dance boasts one of the most progressive pre-professional training programs in the Midwest, and offers the following degree programs:

- Bachelor of Fine Arts (BFA) in Performing Arts with Options in Dance, Musical Theatre, Acting/Directing, or Design/Technology;
- Bachelor of Arts (BA) in Theatre or Dance

Dance Day will be held at the Earl and Margie Holland School of Visual and Performing Arts River Campus of Southeast Missouri State University in Cape Girardeau, Missouri. The River Campus houses the Department of Theatre and Dance, the Department of Music, the Department of Visual Arts, and the Southeast Regional Museum. *This state-of-the-art facility is the only one of its kind dedicated solely to the visual and performing arts in Missouri*, and includes a 950-seat proscenium theatre, a 225-seat flexible theatre, a 150-seat dance studio/theatre, a 250-seat music recital hall, and a host of professional training spaces, classrooms, and offices.

We look forward to meeting and working with you during our ***Dance Day Open House on Saturday, December 5, 2009***. Please feel free to share copies of this invitation and the enclosed flyer with your students and friends.

For more information please contact me at (573) 986-7492, or via email at [hpeterson@semo.edu](mailto:hpeterson@semo.edu).

Sincerely,

Hilary Peterson  
Instructor, Department of Theatre and Dance

*APPLICATION FORM FOLLOWS BELOW*

**Southeast Missouri State University**

***Department of Theatre and Dance***

**DANCE DAY  
Registration Form**

**Participant Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City, State and Zip Code:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone: home:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Cell phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Indicate which year of school you are in:**

**Freshman      Sophomore      Junior      Senior**

**Name of Dance Studio:**

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Dance Day participants receive 2 complimentary tickets to the *Fall for Dance* concert, Saturday, December 5, at 2 pm or 7:30 pm in the Donald C. Bedell Theatre. **To reserve your complimentary tickets and/or purchase more you must call the Box Office at: 573-651-2265. Additional Tickets are \$13.00.**

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**Registration forms due November 15, 2009**

Please email this form as an attachment to [hpeter@semo.edu](mailto:hpeter@semo.edu)

Or send a hard copy via postal mail to Hilary Peterson, Southeast Missouri State University, Department of Theatre and Dance, MS 7850, Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

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Schedule of Events, Dance Day, Saturday, December 5, 2009

Registration: 8:30 AM in the lobby of the River Campus Performing Arts building

Master Class: 9:00 – 11: 00 AM ballet, modern and jazz

Senior Solo Scholarship Auditions: 11: 30 – 1:00 required for dance majors/optional for musical theatre majors

Fall For Dance Concert Performance: 2:00 PM and 7:30 pm in the Donald C. Bedell Theatre

Directions to the River Campus: <http://www.semo.edu/rivercampus.htm>

Visit: <http://www.semo.edu/theatreanddance> for more information including our exciting season!