

**PRIVATE COACHING**

Lynn Sevick – Monday-Thursday, March 10th – 13th. Durango Studio (M/W) and Maryland Parkway Studio (T/TH).

Edwin Torres – Thursday, March 20th, Durango Studio and **Friday, March 21st,** Maryland Parkway Studio.

Nick Kosovich – Monday, March 31st, Durango Studio and **Tuesday, April 1st,** Maryland Parkway Studio.

Nick will be teaching more tips on **"Actions in Dancing"; Traveling, Turning, Bending, Twisting, Stretching and Contracting.**

"W-E-S-T" means Weight (Heavy or Light), **Energy** (Bound or Free), **Space** (Direct or Flexible), **Time** (Sustained or Rapid). Ask your Teachers in your next lesson to review these tips with you.

2008 WORLD DANCE-O-RAMA – LAS VEGAS – Wednesday, March 26th-Sunday, March 30th at the LUXOR Hotel.

Come and Cheer on our Team at the Luxor!!! We brought home the **1st Place Trophy** last year and intend to do it again! **MEET OUR "LAS VEGAS TEAM":** Lisa Evans, Lorena Singer, Louise Totten, Cynthia Kestler, Lance Spindler, Kayla Miller, Sandy Losier, Amoiri Debusk, Jaleigh Harris, Bob Bransky, Denise Giancola, Lori James, Kelly Nelson and Nancy Frasure. Our Teachers: Tiffany Thomsen, Xiaoqian ("JC") Wiltshire, Allison Smith, Greg Darrough, Justin McClendon, Trent McAfee, Adam Stuckey and Arnell Miller. **Check out our 2007 DANCE-O-RAMA Collage Photos. Please make special note: If you are coming to observe the competition or inviting guests to the Dance-O-Rama, Table Seating is limited and reserved for the Dance Team.**

"SHALL WE DANCE" STUDENT SHOWCASE and AWARDS DINNER – Saturday, February 23rd at the Durango Studio we featured over 100 Student Dance Routines for this Showcase! All of our instructors choreographed special routines for each student to showcase their individual talents. **Following the Showcase was our AWARDS DINNER and DANCE. VICKI VENKA,** our visiting adjudicator presented **Student Awards for Top Categories. The Award recipients were:** Top Junior Female; Jaleigh Harris, Top Teen Male; Connor Gibbs, Top Teen Female; Kayla Miller, Top Newcomer Male; Tac Tang, Top Newcomer Female; Neveen Shlayan, 2nd Newcomer Male; Dr. Aragon Romaldo, 2nd Newcomer Female; Linda Laughlin, Top Associate Bronze Male; Lance Spindler, Top Associate Bronze Female; Cynthia Kestler and Lori James; 2nd Associate Bronze Male; Chad Peterson, 2nd Associate Bronze Female; Lorena Singer, Top Amateur Couple; Tyson and Starcie Green, Top Advanced Amateur Couple; Alex and Tanya Jancovic, Top Bronze Male; Bob Bransky, Top Bronze Female; Lisa Evans, 2nd Bronze Female; Brandy Hartman, Top Silver Female; Denise Giancola, Top Gold Male and Above; Ray Haldeman, Top Gold Female and Above; Louise Totten, Most Original Routine; Connor Gibbs, Most Original Costume; Lance Spindler, Best Actress; Joyce Chen, Best Actor; Dr. Aragon Romaldo, High Male Score; Connor Gibbs, High Female Score; Kayla Miller. Top Instructors which is based strictly off of the scores of their students. The teachers are not being judged by their own ability, but on the progress of their students. Justin McClendon, Adam Stuckey and Trent McAfee. **Our Teachers presented a Special Dance Formation choreographed by Freddy Vera** to wrap up the event which was a great success. **Special thanks to our Showcase Videographer, Ryan Duff. On Sunday afternoon students who entered the Showcase celebrated with Brunch followed by a Group Bolero Class conducted by Vicki Venka. Individual Student Critiques were also held on Sunday afternoon. Critiques provide the Students and their Teachers the opportunity to review their achievements and dance routines with Vicki.**

"MADS CLUB", Murray After Dark Social Club is an **Out on the Town Evening with your Teachers and Friends.** It is held the first Wednesday of every month at 9:30pm at a designated local Lounge location. **Ask your Teachers how to join MADS Club and get ready to dance the night away.** Last month we danced in the **"EYECANDY" Center Lounge** located at Mandalay Bay. **MADS club this month will be Wednesday, March 5th at Mandalay Bay.**

***** ST. PATRICK'S DAY – 9:00 PM "STUDENT NIGHT OUT ON THE TOWN PARTY!", Monday, March 17th 9:00PM at Mandalay Bay "EYECANDY" Center Bar. There will be No Party at Durango. This will be the Monday Night Party Extravaganda Event.*****

WELCOME TO OUR NEW STUDENTS!!! Mark & Annette Diltz, Carol Kutz, Patricia Evans & Jason Rodriguez, Robert Barker, Vincent Dinsio & Jeanne Mills, Michelle Muench, Paul & Tara Landaz, Kris & Abby Nilsson and Lincoln Dorman & Angela Blair.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEWEST BRONZE STUDENTS!!! Linda Laughlin and Robert Barker.

DANCING WITH THE LAS VEGAS STARS FINALE!!!!!! The results are in. **Join us at the Durango Studio on March 7th @ 8:15 PM for the finale. Lisa Evans and Brandy Hartman are our finalists.** Lisa will be dancing with Trent McAfee and Brandy will be dancing with Justin McClendon. **Bring your friends and come and vote for your favorite couple! ***POPULAR VOTE COUNTS 50%***.** Season 2 began in our studios Friday, January 18th. Seven Bronze 3 and 4 students from both Studios were featured dancing with their teachers in a competition each Friday night. Every Monday at the Durango Practice Party we announced the Results and eliminated one couple. The winner and runner up of Season 1; Lesley Pena and Kelly Nelson received tickets to see the live show of **DANCING WITH THE STARS** in Hollywood, California. **Season 2 Dancers:** Lindsay Dunlap and Adam Stuckey, Lisa Evans and Trent McAfee, Brandy Hartman and Justin McClendon, Lexi Hamill and Jonathan Green, Chris Sutton and Diamahn White, Juan Chavarin and Nova Holly, Jim Frasure and Valerie Green. **Special thanks to our Adjudicators:** Tim Homerding, Louise Totten, Ray Haldeman and Denise Giancola and Visiting Adjudicators: Holly Udy and Vicki Venka.

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING SEMINAR: HYATT REGENCY, IRVINE, CALIFORNIA: 12 members of the Las Vegas Arthur Murray staff and management traveled to Irvine, California, February 2nd – 3rd, to attend Arthur Murray Professional Seminars. **Current Events and the most Recent Dance Styles** were presented by nationally acclaimed Champion, **Joe Howard.**

STAFF CERTIFICATION: Holly Udy-Meeke of Arthur Murray Phoenix, Arizona came to our Maryland Parkway Studio for Staff Certification Testing, February 8th – 9th. This is a semi-annual event in our Studios as our teachers continue their professional testing regimen.

GROUP CLASSES – WEST – M-F 6:45pm – Our Group Classes are fantastic! Come and join **Xiaoqian, aka "JC" Wiltshire, our Dance Director at the Durango location.** Monday through Friday she conducts a group class on **one particular dance of the week.** Class begins at 6:45pm. Saturday at 12:15, Greg conducts a "Technique" Group Class on the same weekly dance. Check the Calendar for the weekly dances. This Month: Waltz, Swing, Hustle/Merengue, Tango and Samba.

GROUP CLASSES – EAST – M-F 7:30pm – Come and join **Adam Stuckey, our Dance Director at the Maryland Parkway location.** Monday through Friday he conducts a group class on **a different dance every day.** Saturday at 1:00pm there is an additional class. Check the Calendar for specific classes. Every Month there is Social Salsa on Wednesdays. This Month: Samba, Foxtrot, Rumba, Hustle, Waltz, Bachata, V. Waltz, 2 Step, W.C. Swing, Polka, Swing, Tango, Merengue, Tango, ChaCha, Peabody, Quickstep, C.W. Triple Step, Mambo and Bolero. **Please Note: Saturday, March 29th there will be group NO CLASSES due to DANCE-O-RAMA.**



ARGENTINE TANGO MILONGAS & TANGO WORKSHOPS. Ven a Bailar el "Tango del Corazon" or shall we say "Come Dance the "Tango of the Heart". Hugo Latorre & Miriam Gittelman are from Argentina. They have been hosting Argentine Tango Milongas (Dance parties) at our **Durango studio** on the third Saturday of every month at 9:30PM. Their weekly Workshop is on Thursday evenings at 8:15pm at the Durango Studio. Tom & Tanya Smith are also hosting Milongas at the **Maryland Parkway Studio** on specified Saturday evenings at 10:00PM. This month, March 1st and 22nd. Check the Calendar each month for dates. This is a great introduction to one of the most romantic dances. All events are \$15.00.

LOST & FOUND We have acquired many items that have been left in the Studios. Please check at the front desk for lost items.

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PLACES TO DANCE IN LAS VEGAS are listed on line at www.arthurmurraylasvegas.com/placestodance.cfm

Arthur Murray East- 4550 S. Maryland Parkway, Las Vegas, NV 89119 (702-798-4552) Dance parties - Fridays: 8:15-9:45pm

Arthur Murray West- 4440 S. Durango, Las Vegas, NV 89147 (702-876-3131) Dance parties - Mondays: 8:15-9:45pm