



## PRIVATE COACHING & SPECIAL CLASSES

### HAPPY HOLIDAYS FROM ALL OF US AT ARTHUR MURRAY LAS VEGAS !!!

**WELCOME TO DENISE GIANCOLA, THE NEWEST ADDITION TO OUR ARTHUR MURRAY LAS VEGAS TEACHING FAMILY. Denise is an Associate Silver Graduate and has completed her 6 month instructor training program. Also WELCOME LEXI HAMILL OUR NEWEST ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT.**

**WELCOME TO OUR NEW STUDENTS!!!** Dominic Dopudja, Shanker Dixit, Bob and Jun Aryes, Melissa Wayne, John Birkel, Joe and Lisa Matvay, Bennell LaPorte, Cuong Nguyen, Rory Vohwinkel, Kiki Corsi, Erick Erickson, Gilbert Waldman, Stephanie Morales, Victor Morales, Vinod and Anisha Skariya, Richard Weber, Irene Rodriguez, Sonia Farrell-Oancea, Alex and Susan Cordier, Hal Soner, Brandi Adams, Lisa Clay, Jerry and Zona Speasl, Michael Murray, Royal Sipe and Cheryl Lynn Kypreds.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEWEST BRONZE STUDENTS!!** Travis Wilbur, Ralph Piccirilli, Kristina Maduena, Travis Bender, John Hight, Vickie Shervanick, Judy Carrico, Nora Caplette, Bennell LaPorte, Bob and Jun Ayres, Melissa Wayne, Shanker Dixit, Stephanie Morales, Rory Vohwinkel and Jerry Speasl.

### EVENTS AND UPCOMING STUDENT COMPETITIONS

**"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 to a live band in the newly renovated Coral Reef Lounge called "Jpop" at Mandalay Bay. MAD'S Club this month will be WEDNESDAY, December 3<sup>rd</sup> at Tuscany Lounge.**



**ARTHUR MURRAY'S MONTHLY CHAMPAGNE "GUEST PARTIES"** are a great way to introduce friends and family to the fabulous world of Ballroom Dancing! **At the same time you can show off a few of your new moves by performing with your teacher in a spotlight dance.** Guests will also enjoy general dancing, an exciting floor show, and a special guest lesson. When your guest enrolls on an introductory guest special, you will receive one free lesson. This month the party will be on Wednesday, December 17th from 8:30-9:45pm at the Durango Studio.

**HOLIDAY SEMI-FORMAL DANCE** Friday, December 12<sup>th</sup> 7:30-10:00pm at the Maryland Parkway Studio. There will be a Live Band and refreshments and the evening will close with a Professional Show.



**MOUNT CHARLESTON AFTERNOON BRUNCH CELEBRATION** for the entire TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS SPONSORS and their Teachers. Sunday, December 14<sup>th</sup> 11:00am-1:00pm.

**SPONSORS NIGHT OUT** will be Friday, December 19<sup>th</sup>, 9:30pm. The location will be announced at the Dance Parties.

**\* THE FINALISTS HAVE BEEN ANNOUNCED FOR DANCING WITH THE LAS VEGAS STARS - BRONZE I STUDENTS \***

**Justin and Jeannie, Tiffany and Scott, Valerie and Jeremy. SEASON 4 began Friday, October 10<sup>th</sup> at the Durango Studio, 8:15pm!** Students from both Studios have paired up with their teachers to become our four "Dancing With The Las Vegas Stars Couples". These 4 Couples will be featured dancing together in a competition each Friday night for 8 weeks. Each week they will be dancing a different dance and we will be alternating Studio locations. Check the calendar for event location each week.

Season 4 couples are **Justin and Jeannie, Tiffany and Scott, Trent and Barbara, Arnell and Carla, Scott and Lynn, Laura and Wayne, Valerie and Jeremy.** Our fabulous panel of seasoned Adjudicators this season are Lisa Evans, Denise Giancola, Tim Homerding, Louise Totten, Joni Stevens and Shanna Love. Anything can happen! **Every Monday at the Durango Practice Party we will be announcing the DWTS RESULTS and eliminating one couple.**

**The Final Competition will be held at the Holiday Party at Maryland Parkway Studio on Friday, December 12<sup>th</sup>. \*\*\*REMEMBER, POPULAR VOTE COUNTS 50%\*\*\* Bring your friends and come vote for your favorite couple!** The winners and runners up of Season 1 & 2 received tickets to see the live show of DANCING WITH THE STARS in Hollywood, California. **Our four couples will be competing for a special Trophy. Join Us!!!!** Hall of Fame Winners: **Season 1: Lesley and Trent, Season 2: Brandy & Justin, Season 3 Lori and Robert. Season 4 is all up to you.....Who will it be???????????**

**MEXICAN RIVIERA STAR SAPPHIRE PRINCESS CRUISE – January 24<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> 2009** Arthur Murray Students and their Teachers set sail on an adventure of a lifetime. Dining, Dancing and Exploring Puerto Vallarta, Cabo San Lucas and Mazatlan.

**FEBRUARY STUDENT SHOWCASE EVENT – Vicki Venka** will be returning to join us for our Las Vegas Student Showcase. Showcase begins 2-5pm on Saturday, February 21<sup>st</sup> at the Durango location followed by our Awards Dinner. **We have over 100 Student Dance Routines each Showcase!** All of our instructors are beginning to choreograph routines with their students. **There will be awards for Top Categories such as** Best Amateur Couple; Best Formation; Best Costume; Most Original Routine; 1<sup>st</sup> Place Newcomer Male and Female; 1<sup>st</sup> Place Assoc. Bronze Male and Female; 1<sup>st</sup> Place Medalist Male and Female; 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. **A Video of the Showcase will be taken and viewed the following day during our SHOWCASE SUNDAY BRUNCH & GROUP CLASS at 1:00pm and Group Class at 2pm at the Durango Studio.** Vicki Venka will conduct the group class for all students who entered the Showcase. Critiques will be held on Sunday afternoon. The showcase is open to the public which provides our students the opportunity to share or show off their progress with friends and family. Have you selected your 2 favorite dances?

**WORLD DANCE-O-RAMA – LAS VEGAS – MARCH 2009 at the LUXOR -** Join our "LAS VEGAS TEAM" for a Dancing & Dining entertaining experience. Order a Team jacket and be a part of this Annual Extravaganza!!!! It is truly not to be missed. Professional Dance Performances, Dinners, Dancing and Costumes Galore! Don't miss it! This International Arthur Murray Event is a wonderful experience for all levels of Dancers. You will even see some of our Professional Dance Coaches such as Vicki Venka, Lynn Sevick, Nick Kosovich and many more Adjudicating, Announcing or just milling about. Ask your teachers for early sign up packages and get ready!!! Dance-O-Rama will be here before you know it!!!

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## **CONGRATULATIONS**

\* **PUERTO RICO DANCE SPORT COMPETITION** – Congratulations to Lori James, Marc and Carla Roberts, Adam, Trent and Tiffany \*\* "TEAM LAS VEGAS" \*\* members who represented Arthur Murray Las Vegas by competing in this event Wednesday, November 5<sup>th</sup> – Sunday, November 9<sup>th</sup>.



**MEDAL BALL "SCHOOL FIGURES" TESTING (Medal Ball Checkout), BANQUET, DANCE & WEEKEND ACTIVITIES** – **Vicki Venka**, International Coach and Arthur Murray Competition Adjudicator joined us for Medal Ball. Throughout the world, dance schools use medal standards because students with goals become better, more polished dancers in less time. Arthur Murray provides medalist students the opportunity to graduate from various levels they have achieved throughout the year. **SPECIAL THANKS to Joni Stevens for conducting the "SCHOOL FIGURES" CLASS Saturday, November 8<sup>th</sup>. Pizza and refreshments were served prior to the class which was fun and informative.**

**SEMI-FORMAL BALL** which celebrates our students moving onto the next level in their dancing was held Saturday, November 15<sup>th</sup> at the Maryland Parkway Location. We celebrated Graduation as well as our newly refurbished dance floor!

**MEDAL BALL GRADUATES** – Congratulations to all of our Graduates!!!! Aly Draher, Annette Dilts, Adam Sullivan, Ariana Kunin, Bennell LaPorte, Brent Bunkley, Bob Bransky, Bob Minor, Brandy Hartman, Barbara Bell, Barbara Ray, Bonnie Copeland, Carmen Petersen, Chad Peterson, Carla Roberts, Chayton Marshall, Cynthia Kestler, Dominic Fossile, Dan Bell, Donna Stratton, Denise Giancola, Emily Sullivan, Erle Eaton, Hannah Tang, Ishi Kunin, Jaeleigh Harris, Janine Packer, Jeanne Mills, Julie Szabo, Jeremy Guzman, Jorge Gonzalez, Julie Peterson, Jaime Gomez, Karen Fossile, Kelly Nelson, Lynn Reiter, Lexi Hamill, Lisa Evans, Lorena Singer, Lori James, Louise Totten, Mark Dilts, Marc Roberts, Mary Thomas, Mary Guzman, Mathew Reid, Meghan Gibbs, Nancy Frasure, Paul LaChance, Rachel Stark, Ray Haldeman, Sandy Lozier, Shanna Love, Shirley LaChance, Shiu Ling Lam, Scott Williams, Tyler Draher, Tim Homerding, Tony Sedgewick, Virginia Bosch, Wayne Ray, Vincent Dinsio and Yalu Minor.

**THEMED DANCE PARTIES** – Thanks to everyone for participating in our Themed Dance Parties on Mondays and Fridays. It was great to see all of the creative ensembles!

**GROUP CLASSES ADVANCED AND BEGINNING – WEST – M-F 6:45pm** – Come and join **Justin McClendon**, our Dance Director at the Durango location. Monday through Friday he conducts an Advanced **Bronze and Silver group class** on **one particular dance of the week**. Class begins at 6:45pm. Check the Calendar for the weekly dances. **This Month:** Salsa, Tango, Cha-Cha, East Coast Swing, Rumba.

**GROUP CLASSES ADVANCED AND BEGINNING – EAST – M-F 7:30pm** – Come and join **Adam Stuckey**, our Dance Director at the Maryland Parkway location. Monday through Friday he conducts an **Advanced Bronze and Silver group class** on **a different dance every day**. Check the Calendar for specific classes. Every Month there is Social Salsa on Wednesdays. **This Month:** Hustle, Foxtrot, Tango, Waltz, Rumba, Samba, Lindy Hop, CW 2 Step, Bolero, Bachata, V. Waltz, Swing and W.C. Swing.

**BEGINNING BRONZE STUDENT GROUP CLASSES: Monday through Friday:** These classes are structured for Newcomers to learn the basic Bronze Dance steps. They are held at the same time as the Group Class. 6:45pm Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday at Durango, 7:30pm Monday-Thursday at Maryland Parkway.

**SATURDAY TECHNIQUE CLASS: 12:15pm Durango Studio taught by Greg, 1:00pm Maryland Parkway Studio taught by Adam.**

**NO SESSIONS: Christmas Eve/Day December 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> or New Year's Eve/Day, December 31<sup>st</sup> and January 1<sup>st</sup>.**

**STUDIO OPEN: Friday December 26<sup>th</sup>, both Studios will be OPEN for lessons. NO GROUP CLASSES will be held in the evening.**

**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. This is a great introduction to one of the most romantic dances. All events are \$15.00.



**SHOWCASE AWARDS, PLAQUE TAGS and MEDALS:** If you have not received your Showcase trophy or are missing any dance tags or medals for your Dance Plaques please **Email us at: [learn@arthurmurraylasvegas.com](mailto:learn@arthurmurraylasvegas.com).**

**LOST & FOUND – Please check at the front desk for lost items. Unclaimed items will be donated at the end of the month.**

**ONLINE NEWSLETTER** available at [www.arthurmurraylasvegas.com](http://www.arthurmurraylasvegas.com)

**PLACES TO DANCE IN LAS VEGAS** are listed on line at [www.arthurmurraylasvegas.com/placestodance.cfm](http://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 (Check the Calendar for exact dates)

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

**THANK YOU FOR BEING A PART OF OUR STUDIOS.  
WE WISH ALL OF YOU, YOUR FRIENDS & FAMILIES A SAFE,  
HAPPY & HEALTHY HOLIDAY SEASON.**

**WE LOOK FORWARD TO DANCING, DANCING & MORE DANCING, LOTS OF CELEBRATING  
& GOOD FORTUNE TO EVERYONE IN THE NEW YEAR!**