

Nube NEWS

Ballet Folklórico Nube de Oro is a traditional Mexican folkloric dance group. Our focus is to provide a positive and challenging pastime. Members enjoy sharing the traditional folkloric dances with our immediate and surrounding communities. We are a family-oriented, educational group. Dance and family members serve on the board and in various committees which run the group. We hope to educate and encourage self-thought in our members and to enhance our community's life.



Board of Directors

Michael Lopez *President*
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Marielena Encinas *Secretary*
Irma H. Abella *Artistic Director*



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Practice Schedule

Friday 6:30 - 8:45 p.m.
Saturday 9:00 - 10:45 a.m.

Practices are held at

Sacramento Cultural Arts Center

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<http://www.nubedeoro.com>

Feliz Año Nuevo!

Welcome New Year. Welcome New Board. Welcome New Members.
Welcome New Goals. Welcome reNewed Enthusiasm!

Please welcome our new 2009 Board, elected on January 10, 2009, at the first annual monthly meeting—President, Michael Lopez; Vice President, Veronica Gutierrez; Treasurer, Adriana Gutierrez; Secretary, Marielena Encinas; and Artistic Director, Irma Abella. Appointed to Assistant Director positions: Laura Ward and Regina Abella.

There was much interest in our elections this year, and having a dancer step up to run and be elected to the Board made the process this even more exciting! Likewise, having some of our past dancers return to serve as assistant directors renews our the enthusiasm! Congratulations to all those whom ran for office, and to those whom now hold officer in Nube!

CLASSES

from your maestras

During the break, Angelica Hernández and I, reviewed 2008 classes. There was one particular item that stood out: class sizes. In 2008, we wanted to implement a change, but because of time and assistance, we were unable to do so. However, for 2009, having Regina Abella and Laura Ward agree to help, we will be able to strengthen our footwork and styling by sizing down our classes.

Class size has been a big issue for our instructors the past two years because of our group growth rate. Although our dancers and parents have been supportive and patient, having more than 25 dancers per classes interferes with our instructors desire to give the attention we'd prefer to give to our dancers.

Our classes have now been modified for 2009. We know that the changes will be beneficial to our dancers. The changes may sadden some of our dancers when they learn a friend may be moved to a different class. We hope that parents talk to their children to help them understand the changes and how this will affect them positively. Please let them know that we will plan monthly practice "mixed classes" so that all our dancers continue to practice with each other on occasions—let your dancers know that all is not lost! Please take a look on the back side for class schedules! If you have questions, we ask that you please e-mail or call as during classes it is difficult to answer questions from several parents at one time!! Gracias.

NEW PRACTICE SCHEDULE

and Reminder of Class Rules

Due to our growth—classes have been a tight fit for some time. As of January 2009, classes have been adjusted by ages / levels. And now, since we are in the New Year, this is the perfect time to review and reemphasize existing rules (see right column).

Regarding classes, Regina Abella will be working with our Intermediate/Advanced dancers (ages 10 and above), handling styling and footwork on Fridays. Laura Ward will be working with our Beginning/Intermediate dancers (ages 9-13) on Fridays and Saturdays; and Irma will work specifically with the Infantil dancers (ages 9 and under). We will switch off occasionally—all dancers will have the benefit of the three instructors—and aside from regular classes, we will “mix” once a month. Please keep an ear out for these dates! Finally, if you have not already heard, Manuel Perez, Osvaldo Ramirez, and Roxana Borrego from Raices de Mi Tierra will be assisting Nube classes occasionally. They will work on specific tecnica, styling, and skirtwork!

All of our instructors will expect to see Nube dancers sharpen footwork, move consistently and confidently, while honing in their skills!!

• FRIDAY SCHEDULE •

6:30 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.
Intermediate/Advanced
– ages 10 and above
(back room)

Beginning/Intermediate
– ages 9 and above
(front room)

• SATURDAY SCHEDULE •

9:00 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.
Beginning/Intermediate
– ages 9 and above
(back room)

INFANTIL
– ages 9 and under
(front room)

To new Nube dancers (parents)—Welcome!
Please complete and return the membership contract ASAP ☺

To all: if you did not receive last year's group packet, please let us know by signing up on the sheet available in class.

CLASS RULES

- ☞ No candy, no food, NO GUM, while practicing
- ☞ Bring a water bottle to class (label your water bottle)
- ☞ Pick up your water bottles and trash when class ends!!!
- ☞ Parents are responsible for reading, listening, and obtaining information regarding dues, performances, workshops, etc.
- ☞ *Parents should be present the last 15 minutes of class for announcements or to ask questions—Please remember that other classes follow, so be on time!*
- ☞ All dancers should bring their shoes, skirts, to all classes
- ☞ Damas are required to have their own practice skirt. If you don't have one, please advise.

FACILITY USE 2009

- ◆ All dancers are required to fill out a NEW SCAC waiver!
- ◆ Do not interrupt other classes
- ◆ PLAYROOM -- a parent must supervise his/her child in the playroom, and pick up after
- ◆ Ask questions during the last 15-minutes of class, please don't stay after class . . . we have other classes to attend—we love you but have to go!

Intermediate/ Advanced

Michael Lopez
Brandon Roa
John Scott
Clark Cannon
Marcos Cabrera
Victor Paez
Yajayra Gonzalez
Aracely Sanchez
Stephanie Klapproth
Andrea Torres
Elizabeth Sanchez
Marielena Encinas
Susan Maciél
Blanca Flores
Amaya Trejo
Tania Celaya
Rossi Castillo

Beginning/ Intermediate

Martin Vargas
Victor Gutierrez
Abdiel Gonzalez
Daniel Gonzalez
Gabriel Salgado
Zavier Silva
Karishma Teves
Alondra Solis
Alexis Atherley
Lauren Trejo
Elizabeth Gonzalez
Adelissa Hernandez
Karina Gutierrez
Amanda Galindo
Carla Ayala-king
Alyssa Villagomez
Esperanza Razo

Infantil

Adrian Becerra
Daniel Atherley
Cesar Borrego
Luis Sanchez
Jacob Lopez
Josue Sanchez
Zachary Warren
Ellena Negrete
Katelyn Warren
Claudia Campos
Maya Medina
Sofia Borrego
Isabel Becerra
Maya Gutierrez
Aniya Silva

