



HERITAGE ACADEMY
"Building America's Heroes"

Dance Company 2017-2018 Tour

One of the purposes in creating a dance company at Heritage Academy is to provide an opportunity for the top dancers to travel together and experience dance outside of class. Throughout the year there are opportunities for retreats, festivals, and workshops which are local. The tour is the largest effort for outside experience in dance. This year our tour will take us to California, specifically Santa Monica, Los Angeles and Anaheim. In consideration of outside commitments and resources please remember that all outside of class commitments for Dance Company, except the End-of-Semester concert, are optional. I want every member of Dance Company who wishes to participate in these experiences to have that opportunity. I am donating \$400.00 in ECA donation divided evenly among those attending the tour. Please let me know if you need help to make the financial commitments of tour. As a company and school we will work to find solutions. I am very excited about Heritage Academy Dance Company's first ever tour!

The tour will take place Monday, March 12, 2018 through Thursday, March 15, 2018. We will be traveling by 15 passenger vans. A HUGE thank you to Heritage Academy and Mrs. Phelps for making this possible. We will meet at Heritage Academy Monday morning at 6:30 AM and return to Heritage Academy Thursday between 6 PM and 9 PM. On Monday we will drive straight to Hotel Carmel by the Sea in Santa Monica, California. We will eat lunch and spend some time at the Santa Monica Pier as well as the beach. In the evening we will walk around 3rd Street Promenade and have dinner. Early Tuesday morning we will travel to the Edge Performing Arts Center in Los Angeles for a private workshop and three open classes. On our way back to Hotel Carmel late Tuesday afternoon we will stop in Hollywood for some tourism and dinner. Early Wednesday morning we will check out of Hotel Carmel and travel to Disney's Paradise Pier Hotel in Anaheim. Upon arrival we will participate in a private Disney Performing Arts Workshop. After the workshop the day will be spent at Disneyland or with a park hopper pass for Disneyland and Disney California Adventure. Thursday morning we will enjoy a character breakfast buffet together at Disney's Grand Californian Hotel and Spa. The breakfast will be an opportunity to celebrate and conclude our tour. Immediately after breakfast we will check out, load up and drive to Heritage Academy.

The estimated cost per student to attend the Dance Company California Tour is \$800.00. This will cover the cost of hotel, travel, classes, park admittance and all food **except the following:**

Monday – a packed breakfast and snacks

Tuesday and Wednesday – breakfast if you do not want to eat from the coffee bar at the hotel which provides juices, muffins and pastries

Other potential costs which are not included in the tour monies due include money for souvenirs, money for rides at Santa Monica Pier (\$5-\$10 estimated per ride, optional) and money to rent a bike to ride along the beach in Santa Monica (\$15 – optional).

Here is the proposed fee schedule:

September 28, 2017 - \$200 due

November 2, 2017 - \$250 due

January 25, 2018 - \$250 due

February 15, 2018 - \$100 due

In the event that a student has to unexpectedly withdraw from the tour all fees are refundable up until February 8, 2018 after this date the fees are non-refundable.

Mrs. May and Mrs. Phelps will be chaperoning the dance tour. I welcome ALL parents and families who would like to join the Dance Company on their California tour as chaperones or simply to be a part of the experience. The support and enthusiasm which has been given by parents and families is greatly appreciated and valued. Those interested in joining us can follow our same schedule and accommodations or cater to their own needs. Please email Emily May at emay@heritageacademyaz.com if you are interested in joining us. I can coordinate with you in determining the best options. Families and chaperones are welcome to opt to join the tour at any time however the earlier I am informed the more likely it will be to get the same arrangements as the company with the group pricings.

In an effort to keep the price estimate accurate Dance Company members must please return the below form by 3:45 PM Monday, September 18, 2017.

RETURN THIS FORM TO MRS. MAY BY 3:45 PM MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2017.

I will be attending the Heritage Academy Dance Company 2018 California Tour.

Print your first and last name

I give permission for my child to attend the Heritage Academy Dance Company 2018 California Tour.

Parent or Guardian Signature

Date

Please list any food restrictions or special accommodations to be considered: