

WHAT KIND OF DANCER ARE YOU?

Talent Forum has just what you need!



RECREATIONAL

Taking one or ten classes at Talent Forum does not change how important you are to our programs. Any student is welcome to take any class providing it is appropriate to the students' age and ability. Shelley is happy to assist in finding the best classes for your dancer. Though not mandatory until an Int. 2/3 level, taking ballet is extremely important in the development of a dancer. The terms and technique learned in ballet class are the foundation for most other dance forms. Keeping ballet as part of their dance training allows our students to truly excel.



CONCERT/COMMERCIAL SEEKING A CONCERT DANCE TRACK

Forum Dance Theatre NFP is a pre-professional youth contemporary company that prepares the dancer for the expectations of a professional dance career. Numerous performance and training opportunities help hone performance quality and build a resume. **Forum** is highly acclaimed for their intense choreography which is always an asset if stepping into a college audition or professional arena. Proficiency in Ballet, Jazz and Contemporary is required to participate. Auditioning is required. *More about Forum on company page.*



Footprints Tap Ensemble NFP is a pre-professional youth tap company which requires a passion for the art of tap and opens leadership opportunities. They are highly respected and perform at numerous venues. Besides developing excellent tap skills, **Footprints** encourages its' members to lead their peers, choreograph and learn about show production. Auditioning is required. *More about Footprints on company page.*

SEEKING A COMMERCIAL TRACK

It takes versatility to audition for Commercials, Music Videos, Industrials, Dance Concerts, Broadway, Cruise Ships or as a Back-Up Dancer. Being on a Concert Dance Track heads you in the right direction.

- + Adding **Forum Starz** brings more stage time and a flashier, hot jazz style to a dancer's repertoire. Participating in competitions builds auditioning skills and performance opportunities. The focus is on providing excellent training and positive, fun choreography. *Read more about Forum Starz on company page and for requirements and fees.*
- + Adding **Hip Hop** instills the street movement representing many of today's music artists and commercials.
- + This hard hitting Hip Hop company, **Forum Squad** is bringing fierce choreography thanks to director Wesley "Wesside" Owens. They are already receiving great recognition at numerous performances. The intensity and attitude being developed provides a competitive edge for auditions.
- + Adding **Tap** is something that one should take, even if not interested in becoming a member in Footprints. Knowing a shuffle ball change and a time step is helpful!
- + Adding **Ballet** is the fundamental for most dance forms. Being proficient in ballet will get a dancer more work than anything else! Maintaining strong ballet technique while adding the other dance styles; jazz, lyrical, contemporary, hip hop and tap to your resume will take you far. **TF** offers exceptional master teachers to bring all of these dance forms to you.



Our very own **CJ Salvador** with **Christina Aguilera**



COMPETITION

Forum Starz is a way to get performance opportunities while competing in front of judges for trophies and awards. Artistic Director, Lindsey Beebe, will focus on providing excellent training, along with positive and fun choreography enhanced by a Mr. Richard Commercial Jazz class.

Forum Starz includes:

opening act for Talent Forum's Annual June Recital, 2 competitions, Great America DanceFest, Lambs Farm, Libertyville Days and other select performance opportunities.

This program can be in addition to any current dance track!

Our hard hitting Hip Hop companies, **Forum Squad** and now, **Junior Forum Squad** perform in the March DanceScapes, attend 2 competitions, Lambs Farm and numerous local venues.

The intensity and attitude being developed provides a competitive edge. Auditions will be held Tuesday, August 22, 2017 from 6:00-8:00pm.

Read more about **Forum Starz & Forum Squad** on the company page for requirements



POMS & DANCE TEAM

Local high schools seek out Mr. Richard for his expertise in honing dance skills needed for a strong competitive dance team. He focuses on clarity and intensity of movement.

Sign up for his **Jumps, Leaps and Turns** class on Wednesday from 6-7pm or Mr. Richard's **NEW Competitive Dance Team for 4th-6th Graders**, which **begins Saturday, August 19, 2017.**

Another option is **Forum Starz**, as it begins after the high school poms season has concluded. The competition and performance does not conflict with IHSA rules and regulations.

We also maintain a Contemporary Jazz 4/5 NAB (No Additional Ballet Required) on Tuesday from 8:15-9:30 with Kim Fletcher-Stibal. Ballet background is required.



FREE BOYS PROGRAM

We are thrilled to continue this program. We are looking forward to those who participated in this program last season to return to the halls of Talent Forum and kick it once again. In addition, we welcome new **YOUNG MEN, ELEMENTARY - HIGH SCHOOL AGE**, boys who want to join in the fun!

All new boys who join this program will receive an **ENTIRE SEASON** (Sept.-June) at Talent Forum for **FREE**. One class must be with Mr. Richard. Classes for Elementary boys are held on Wednesdays from 4:15pm-5:00pm and Jr. High & High School boys are merged into our regular class schedule. A **SECOND CLASS OF CHOICE** can be an appropriate level of Hip Hop, Jazz, Tap, Ballet, etc. **BOTH DANCE CLASSES FOR THEIR ENTIRE FIRST SEASON ARE FREE!**

See Shelley if you would like to participate.