

# TALENT FORUM TIMES

#### **Celebrating 40 Years**



Season 2025-26 – Here We Come! For families whose summer or fall sports end in September or October, we will do our best to adjust your start date as needed. If you have special requests or unique circumstances, please know that I will always find a way to include you in our Talent Forum Family. Our official season begins on September 8<sup>th</sup>, but note that Poms and Leaps,Jumps,Turns with Coach Gigi Ori, will not start until the 18<sup>th</sup>. Our Adults are truly enjoying both our Hip Hop and Ballet classes and we will be adding a 6-week Adult Tap session, scheduled on Fridays from 4:00 to 4:45 p.m. Please contact me if you are interested in joining.

I am grateful to our amazing staff who continue to bring innovative and exciting ideas to their classes, ensuring that our dancers are always motivated and smiling. The positive energy throughout the studio is something we are very proud of. If you attended any of our shows last season, you witness firsthand the remarkable achievements of our dancers. To help maintain this dynamic environment, we ask that all parents take a moment to read our newsletters. Staying informed ensures that no important information, special dates or opportunities are missed.

Thank you for your continued support of the art of dance. If you have any concerns or need assistance, please contact me at 847-816-1711. We are always here to help you find a solution.

Miss Shelley



### New "Referral Program"

The first week of classes all registered dancers will receive an envelope with 10 cards to share with Friends, Family and Neighbors. (Free classes offered Sept 15-Oct. 4)



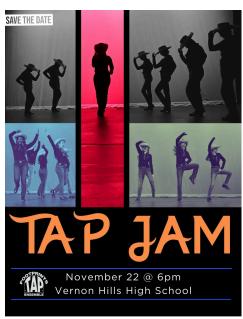
#### Costume Week Oct 24 - 30th

For Halloween Costume Week please remember that you must be able to dance in your costume.



#### **TF Closed for Halloween**

Our studio will be closed on Friday, October 31st so our dancers can enjoy the evening with family and friends. Make up for this night will be on Friday, December 19, 2025



### **Footprints Tap Jam**

November 22 - 6pm

Tickets will be on sale in October.
Guest performances by
Chicago Tap Theatre
Forum Starz
Forum Squad





# Proper Dance Attire Is Available at Talent Forum

Talent Forum offers a wide selection of leotards, tights, shoes, and logo wear at reasonable prices.

- Black Leotards and pink tights are required for all ballet classes
- Hair must be up and contained, with buns required for ALL ballet classes
- Black attire for all jazz, contemporary and lyrical classes.
- Appropriate Hip Hop options for clothing can be leggings, t-shirts (not too baggy) and shorts. Clean Gym Shoes are required. Jeans and dresses are NOT acceptable for class.

# **Walk-In Fittings**

September 2, 3 & 4 3:00 - 6:00pm

Ballet, Tap & Jazz Shoes Leotards & Tights

Stop in and get your dancewear before the season starts!



#### **Account Information**

We would like to utilize a text option when there is information we would like you to receive in a timely manner. Things like weather closures would be an example. You can opt in from the account info section of your parent account OR by texting the word "start" to 224-479-1640.

## Injury

If injured, please make every effort to attend your classes, as there is benefit from watching in person. Report all medical issues to your teacher so they may keep you from doing improper movements that might aggravate the problem. A doctors note is also very helpful.

## Illness/Absent

There will be no refunds for missed classes. If you are unable to attend class in person please notify Shelley at 847-816-1711 or your teacher prior to the class. Classes can be made up in an appropriate level class recommended by your teacher or Miss Shelley.

### **Tuition & Costume Information**

- Credit Card information is required on file in order to process your monthly tuition and costume fees.
   Monthly tuition not paid by the 10th will receive a \$15 late fee.
- Credit Cards will be processed on the 1st of each month for Monthly Accounts. September through April (8 payments total)
- Costume Deposits of \$55 per class will be charged to your account on November 1st. If you do not have a credit card on file, payment must be received by Nov 15th for your costume to be ordered.
- If you are not planning to perform and would not like a costume ordered please notify Shelley immediately.
- Costume Balances will be added to your account 6-8 weeks prior to the rehearsal date.





#### 50/50 Raffles



### **Program Ads**

# **Talent Forum Non-Profit Companies**

Footprints Tap Ensemble and Forum Dance Theatre are the two non-profit companies that reside at Talent Forum. Throughout the year you will see fundraisers that we hope you will support. These events help our dancers achieve goals and training that will help them no matter where their path in life takes them. Keep an eye out for the many ways you can help!

For more information check out their websites at www.footprintstap.org and www.forumdancetheatre.net

#### **Basket Raffles**



**Recital T-Shirts** 

**Flowers** 

Concessions

Car Wash



## **More Talent Forum Companies**



Forum Squad just finished its 10th season! This hard hitting, performance focused, hip hop company is led by Artistic Director Wesley "Wesside" Owens and Assistant Director Amanda Anderson, Forum Squad performs annually in Tap Jam, DanceScapes, June Recital, Monsters (all hip hop) Dance Convention and Competition, Libertyville Days and local senior homes. They have also performed in the pregame and halftime shows for the Chicago Sky, local school assemblies, and Lambs Farm. Forum Squad offers 4 Levels - Elite Squad, Forum Squad, Jr Forum Squad Red and Jr Forum Squad Black.





Forum Starz offers dancers many performance opportunities throughout the community including Libertyville Days, Green Oaks Senior Living and They perform in Footprints Tap Jam, more. DanceScapes and are the Opening Act for all of our June Recitals! Their Director, Lindsey Beebe is focused on providing excellent training with fun and positive choreography. Technique, solid training and performance skills are a perfect addition to any students dance program.

Talent Forum Poms Teams offer a valuable opportunity for young dancers to grow and prepare for future team experiences. Our 3rd-5<sup>th</sup> graders focus on preparing for Jr High Teams, introducing foundational skills and teamwork. Our 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade build on their technique, precision, and the ability to project personality, Led by the incredible Gigi Ori, the teams consistently receive recognition at local competitions They engage with the community with performances at Green Oaks Senior Living, and during Libertyville Days parade and the TF Showcase in the park.



## **2025-26 Talent Forum Instructors**



Shelley
Hoselton
Studio Owner - Director
Beginner - Tap, Ballet
Adult - Ballet, Tap



Abigail Stachnick Commercial Jazz



Alyssa Owen-Treutelaar Beginner - Hip Hop, Tap Grown Up & Me



Catie
Detiz Griffith
Acro, Ballet
FDT Artistic Director



Danielle
Brooks
Footprints Artistic Director



Ori Poms Leaps, Jumps, Turns



Julianne
Deitz
Contemporary Ballet
FDT Ballet Mistress



Kalina Bartlett Ballet, Pointe



Lindsey
Beebe
Ballet, Pointe, Jazz/Hip Hop
Director - FDT 2, FDT Training,
Forum Staz



Michelle Meltzer Ballet, Pointe, Contemporary



Roxy King Tap



Sinead Gildea

Lyrical, Jazz
FDT Assistant Rehearsal Director

Check our website for more information about our instructors and their class schedule www.talentforum.biz



Wesley
Owens
Hip Hop
Forum Squad Artistic Director

# TALENT FORUM Hance Hots

2025-2026 **DATES TO REMEMBER** 

September

Outober

November

December

January February

March

April May

June July

**SEPTEMBER 8** 

**OCTOBER 24-30** OCTOBER 31

**NOVEMBER 3-8 NOVEMBER 21 NOVEMBER 22 NOVEMBER 24-29** 

**DECEMBER 15-JANUARY 12, 2025** 

**JANUARY 31** 

**FEBRUARY 28** 

MARCH 7 MARCH 8 **MARCH 22-28 MARCH 30-31** 

**APRIL 1-4** 

**MAY 2 & 3 MAY 25** 

**JUNE 1 & 2 JUNE 3 & 4 JUNE 16 - JULY 16** 

**JULY 20 - 30** 

**FALL SEASON BEGINS** 

HALLOWEEN COSTUMES NO CLASSES (Makeup Dec 19th)

PARENT OBSERVATION TAP JAM REHEARSAL (VHHS) **FOOTPRINTS TAP JAM (VHHS) FALL BREAK - No Classes** 

**WINTER BREAK - No Classes** 

**DANCESCAPES PICTURES** 

FDT-DANCE FORUM 2026 (HEMMENS)

**DANCESCAPES REHEARSAL (VHHS) DANCESCAPES 2026 (VHHS) SPRING BREAK - No Classes** PARENT OBSERVATION

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**RECITAL PICTURES MEMORIAL DAY (No Classes)** 

**RECITAL DRESS REHEARSAL (VHHS) TALENT FORUM RECITAL (VHHS)** 4 Week SUMMER SESSION T-W-Th No Classes 7/1,7/2,7/3

**SUMMER INTENSIVE 2026** 



