



Karida's School of Orientale Dance -----Studio News-----



September-October 2009

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Registration & Boutique hours:

Tues-Wed-Thu: 1:30 - 4:30 pm

Fri: 3:00 - 6:00 pm Saturdays: 1:00 - 6:00 pm

Online 24/7 at www.karidazahava.com

What's in Store for KSoOD?

With the economy still in a slump, and peoples' lives busier than ever, it's no surprise that the arts community and small businesses are suffering. Enrollments at dance studios are down, and shoestring operations are going belly-up left and right. But in these times people need art more than ever, so it is my intention "whatever it takes" to be able to continue to provide quality bellydance instruction for the ladies of the Springfield area.

Unfortunately KSoOD is also feeling the pinch of lower-than-normal enrollments, and so are struggling to afford the rent on our current studio space. So we are beginning the search for a new location, hopefully one we'll own outright. But first I have to sell my house to free up the capital - so help out by visualizing a quick and profitable sale! Classes will continue in our current location as long as possible, with the chance that the studio could move at any time.

As soon as we have our new location spruced up and ready for students, a huge "Studio Warming" party will be held to welcome everyone to our new home! So be sure to watch the website and your mail for news!

Hugs to all,

Kari

**Don't Forget:
Private Lessons with Karida are available!**

**Reserve your time slot now!
217-241-8370**

Upcoming Events:

Bollywood Movie nights: Last Friday of each month

Our fans of Bollywood now meet to watch movies on 'the big screen' and play with henna at KSoOD. Show starts at 7:00.

Sept 25: Veer Zara; Oct 30: Paheli (a ghost story!)
Bring drinks, snacks and get comfy. No charge!

Bollywood Workshop: 1pm- 4pm Sept 26

Karida will present Laurel Victoria Gray's newly updated and improved version of Aa Tayar Hoja, with fun new interactions and floor patterns. It's a step up in complexity from the old version we all know and love! Come at 1pm to learn or review the existing combos before building on them, or if you know the old version arrive at 2pm to learn the new patterns. **\$20 in advance, \$25 at the door.**

Intro to Bellydance - Saturdays Sept 12 - Oct 13

Our 4-week class. You need not be a beginner to take this class, but no prior experience is needed either. All levels can learn and have fun with this simple choreography.

Late Fall 2009 Choreographies:

(Classes begin October 22, 23, 24, 27, 28 !)

Level One Bellydance: (Tues/Thurs) Habbayatak
(Wed/Fri) Anani

Level 2 Beledi: (Tues 6:15) Desert Journey
Learn show-stopping techniques like balancing while rolling on the floor, in this challenging sword dance.

Level 2 Cabaret: (Wed 7pm) "Buttons"
A vamp-y new choreography for all wanna-be Pussycat Dolls. Bring a polyester 3-yard veil.

Level 3 Beledi: (Thurs 4:45) Baghdad - the intricate Fan dance by Scheherezade's Fantasies

Bollywood 1: (Friday 1:45) Ringa Ringa - Laurel Gray's latest, set to music from Slumdog Millionaire.

Level 2 Turkish: (Sat 10:30) Ocean of Fire - big skirts and lots of motion in this lively 'gypsy' dance!

Bollywood 2: (Sat Noon) Dola Dola -the lively, crazy garba dance from "Bride and Prejudice". Dandiya (sticks) are available for purchase at KSoOD.