The **Community Outreach committee at Westside School of Ballet** is pleased to announce a four week Introductory Ballet Class for girls and boys ages 6-10. Your child will be introduced to classical ballet in a creative, joyful and inclusive hour taught by Westside Ballet Alumni!

- Location: Open Air Studio at Westside Ballet 1709 Stewart Street Santa Monica, Ca. 90403 Plentiful Free Street Parking on Sundays Studio Contact (310) 828-2018
- Dates: Sundays from 1:30-2:30 pm 11/15, 11/22, 11/28, 12/6 and 12/13

Fee: There is no fee for this special introductory class.

Information: Please wear clothing you can move in comfortably. Stretch pants recommended. For sanitary reasons, socks are required. Ballet shoes are not required, though encouraged if you decide you want to join us each week and as we extend our program throughout 2021. Please pull your hair back in a hair tie if necessary and bring your own water bottle.

The studio is outdoors and open to the fresh Santa Monica air. Mask wearing and social distancing Covid-19 safety protocols will be followed. Please sign this liability waver by clicking here: <u>https://forms.gle/</u> <u>ZrPsj3prZfmkjSVM7</u>. Additional liability wavers will be available at the class location.

Please RSVP to judith@westsideballetcompany.org by end of day Saturday, or call studio to confirm space for same-day drop ins.



The class will be taught by Ms. Kiva Dawson who trained at the Westside School of Ballet as well as The School of Pennsylvania Ballet, and has taught dance from Santa Monica to New York City. She was last seen as a Principal dance performer for the San Francisco Symphony and in Westside Ballet's Nutcracker at The Broad Stage. She has had an extensive career in both classical and commercial dance and acting.

Assisting Ms. Kiva will be Ms. Olivia Polite. a recent graduate of Westside School of Ballet. Ms. Polite has danced Principal and Solo Roles for the Company and has participated in summer intensive training with The School of American Ballet, Alvin Ailey and Alonzo King's Lines. Ms. Polite is currently getting a B.A in Dance and is a Merit Scholarship recipient for dance at The University of California at Santa Barbara.



Ms. Kiva and Ms. Olivia taught after-school classes under Westside Ballet's Partnership with The Santa Monica Boys & Girls Club and their satellite program at St. Anne School. They are excited to meet you and introduce you to the joy of dance!