

Dance Department Winter Information



Dear UCI Dance Undergraduates and Graduates,

I hope this message finds you safe during these challenging times.

We are deeply saddened by the impact of the recent fires on our community. Our thoughts are with everyone who has been affected, including those who have suffered losses or have loved ones.

In moments like these, the strength of our community becomes essential. Please know that we are here to support you and our students.

Here are some resources:

- **Emergency Updates and Assistance:** Visit Cal Fire's Incident Information Page (www.fire.ca.gov) for up-to-date information and guidance for those in affected areas.
- **Relief Support:** Organizations like the Red Cross (www.redcross.org) and local community centers are providing shelters, financial assistance, and other forms of aid.
- **Counseling Center at UCI for Students:** <https://counseling.uci.edu/>
Here is a complete list of resources: <https://hr.uci.edu/disaster-relief/>

Please reach out to your professors or myself if you need help navigating through the current challenges.

Here are some key dates and information to keep in mind:

Week Three- Winter Activities:

- **Please refer** to the attached flyer for wonderful opportunity to take a class with Houston Ballet Principle Dancers- Beckanne Sisk and Chase O'Connell On February 9, 2025.



● **Summer Internship Opportunity: Vail Dance Festival**

○ Attached you'll find a flier with some additional details and more information on how and where to apply. Detailed job descriptions and application information can also be found on our website at www.vaildance.org/about/work.

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● **Please refer to the attached American College Dance Association** email with summer intensives and activities.

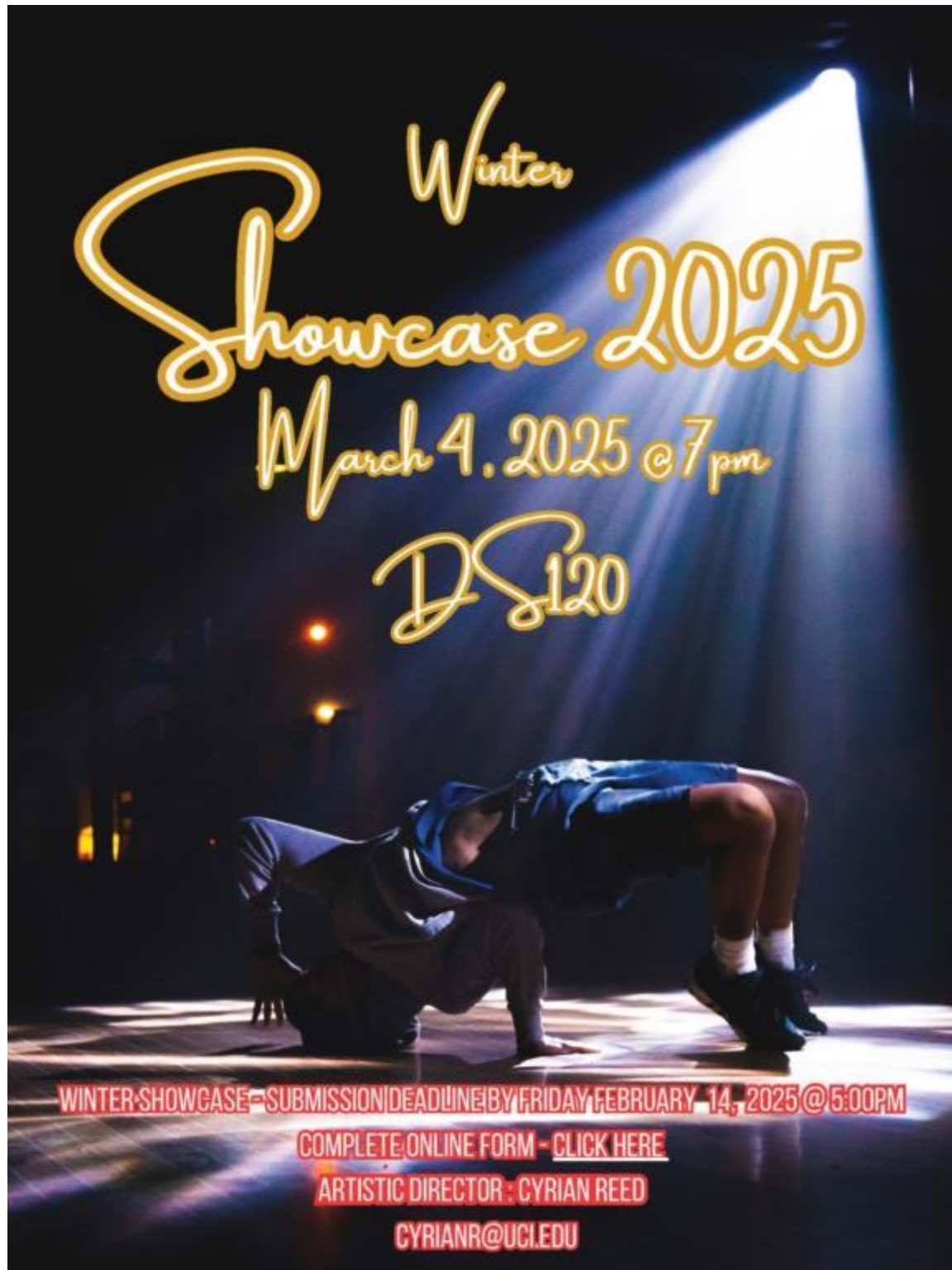
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Department Updates:

Dancer Auditions

- Dance Escape Tuesday, February 4, 2025 at 6 pm.
- Physical Graffiti Dancer Audition, Monday, February 24, 2024 at 6 pm.

- Winter Showcase March 4, 2025 at 7 pm in DS 120. Please refer to the flyer and make sure to meet the deadline to submit work.



Winter Undergraduate Advisor

- Professor Diefenderfer is back from sabbatical and she will return as the Undergraduate Advisor. Please contact her at this email address: dldiefen@uci.edu.

Physical Therapist Update:

- We are in the final stages of hiring a new Physical therapist. So excited.

Policy Updates, Reminder, and Resources

1. You can find the Undergraduate Student Handbook [here](#).
2. Please do not block the doors with the gastroc wedges- aka calf stretching blocks or trash cans. Please keep these blocks and trash cans in their correct homes.
3. Please remember to keep all studio doors closed and do not prop them.
4. Please do not be in the studios with our reservations. Refer to the handbook for methods to reserve space.
5. Please make sure not to wear lotion, body oils, etc. to aid in supporting the integrity of our flooring.
6. Please make sure not up your bags within 18 inches of the fire extinguishers and keep the exits to the studios clear. Please use the storage provided in each space. These areas need to be clear in case of emergency.

Wellness

- Prioritize Self-Care- Focus on care and repair!
- Your well-being is paramount!!

Sending lots of positive energy to help you start the quarter strong!

Please don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions or would like to schedule a meeting.

Best regards,

Dr. Sharp