Dear UCI Dancers,

It’s lucky week 7! That means we are predicting a good week ahead. Sometimes it helps to just pause, be present, and to try to begin the day with a gratitude mindset. Some days we’re grateful for that pair of extra cozy socks, that hot cup of tea in the afternoon, or having a free hour to catch a show, take a nap, or call a friend. Daylight Saving Time ending yesterday means we get one extra hour of sleep! We hope you’re finding little pockets of joy in the fall days ahead.

Please see your Dance-related news below, including information for New Slate Dancers, and call for collaborator-dancers from 1st-year MFA student, Lisa Allin, and a link for drop-in classrooms on campus that can be used to take remote courses.

**WEEK 7 NEWS**

**New Slate Dancers – Please Read**

Technique classes during performance week – Dancers participating in Dance Department productions may take one technique class on the days during the production week (Mon.-Sat.). (Example: if dancer is enrolled in two technique classes – ballet and modern – they may choose to take only one of the two each day.) Dancer must send an email and include all instructors of the classes they will and will not take. Effectively the student’s responsibility is to inform the faculty of their plan for each day.

Along with this department policy, the faculty strongly recommend that dancers take every technique you’ve enrolled in this quarter at least once during the 10th week. We recommend that you prioritize Jazz or Hip Hop on Tuesday, Modern on Wednesday, and Ballet on Friday, so that you can review the material for your finals. On Monday and Thursday, it is your open choice of technique. If you have any questions, please contact your technique faculty.

**Call for Collaborators – Allin, Lisa**

1st-year MFA graduate, Lisa Allin, is seeking 2-4 more dancer-collaborators for a lighting class project. The rehearsal commitment is as follows:

4 Rehearsals: Mondays 11/8 & 11/15, and Wednesdays 11/10 &11/17, from 9am-9:50 am (4 hours total)
1 Tech: Thursday 11/18 from 3-3:30 pm (30 minutes total)

Present: Thursday, 12/2 from 2:55 pm - 3:20 pm (30 minutes total)

For any questions, please contact lallin@uci.edu.

**Drop-in Classrooms and Lecture Halls**

To help supplement existing study spaces for participating in remote classes, we have reserved several classrooms and lecture halls for drop-in use throughout the week. Seats do not need to be reserved in advance. However, we ask that you give priority to those who need a space to participate in remote classes while on campus. We appreciate that this has been particularly challenging for students who regularly commute.

Please visit the link below for the list of classrooms and available times. This page also includes links to other study spaces and resources that may be helpful.

https://sites.uci.edu/learnanywhere/study-spaces/

When using any of the spaces, please remember to bring headphones and a mask. Also, please be aware that these are not quiet spaces and are intended for participation in remote courses. Therefore, students will be talking and participating in their classes, so it is important to treat each other with respect and understand this use.

Sincerely,

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