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## 2009-10 REGISTRATION Children's Dance and Drum Program

Dear COBA parent:

On behalf of COBA's Board of Directors, our program directors, BaKari and Charmaine and teachers, I would like to thank you for choosing to enroll your child(ren) in our Children's Dance and Drum program last year.

Rest assured preparations are under way to offer you another year of quality cultural performing arts programming. Enclosed please find everything you need to register for September:

- 2009-2010 Pre-registration Form (due by August 30)
- 2009-2010 Course Schedule

### FEE STRUCTURE

Effective August 1<sup>st</sup>, student fees will be calculated as follows:

Annual registration fee (non-refundable)		\$50
Program fee (based on one class per week) +		\$275 per term or \$500 annual
Additional Class fees	+	\$25 each per term or \$50 each annual

Here are examples of how student fees are calculated:

<b>Pre Dance 1 – One term</b>	<b>Dance 1, Level 2 – Full Year</b>
\$50 registration fee	\$50 registration fee
+ \$275 program fee (one term)	+ \$500 program fee (full year)
	+ \$200 (4 courses x \$50)
= \$325	= \$750

In order to take full advantage of the unique learning opportunities offered in COBA's program, our directors BaKari and Charmaine recommend that you enroll your child(ren) in all of the courses offered at their level.

In order to alleviate the financial stress of a onetime payment, COBA allows you to break the payment period down to suit your needs. Simply indicate on the registration form the date and amount of each payment you will make. Post dated cheques are the easiest way to manage this process, but you are welcome to make cash payments on the dates you list.

**Fundraising Target:** In order to ensure costs remain low, without decreasing the quality of your child's education, we ask that each child enrolled in the COBA Children's Dance and Drum Program commit to fundraising \$300. The money raised will go toward to the annual recital (SHEreHE) and other related costs of the CCDDP program.

## **TAX CREDITS FOR DONATIONS & CHILDREN'S FITNESS**

Good news: You can now claim all of COBA children's program fees as a non-refundable tax credit on your income tax return. COBA will issue tax receipts so parents can claim the federal government's new Children Fitness Tax Credit.

And, as many parents already know, COBA, a registered charity since 2006, provides official tax receipts for donations of \$50 or more in support of our annual fundraising efforts.

You may also be eligible for a higher tax credit on your income tax return if you think strategically about the amount and type of donation you make to COBA. For more information, consult CRA's *Tax Advantages to Donating to a Charity*.

Remember, the money you give, through student fees and charitable donations, is what keeps this program alive and helps provide a very special cultural and educational experience for your child(ren) that includes:

- dance and music instruction and mentorship from respected master teachers
- specialized training in and exposure to traditional African & Caribbean dance, music culture
- experiencing the excitement of being part of a dance production (the buzz back stage, learning the magic of stage craft, lights, costumes, make up and music)
- the extraordinary opportunity of performing live on a concert stage
- learning about choreography, artistic expression, storytelling and our cultural heritage

We look forward to seeing you again in September! If you have any questions or suggestions regarding registration, please do not hesitate to contact us at [info@cobainc.com](mailto:info@cobainc.com) or (416) 658-3111.

Peace and blessings,

The COBA Staff



## Children's Dance and Drum Program 2009-10 REGISTRATION FORM

To ensure your child's spot in the program, please submit this form and the \$50 annual registration fee by August 31<sup>st</sup> to:  
2444 Bloor St. W., 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Toronto, ON M6S 1R2

**STUDENT NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PARENT/GUARDIAN CONTACT INFO**

FIRST NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ LAST NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

STREET ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ SUITE/APT #: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ PROV: \_\_\_\_\_ POSTAL CODE: \_\_\_\_\_

TEL/CELL: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

STUDENT MEDICAL INFO, ANY ALLERGIES: \_\_\_\_\_

EMERGENCY CONTACT: \_\_\_\_\_ TEL/CELL: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

**CALCULATE STUDENT FEES**

ANNUAL REGISTRATION FEE (per student): \$50

**PROGRAM FEE**

Check type of registration:

**Full year**, Sept 17 to June 6 (ENTER \$500 >

**Term One**, Sept 17 to Jan 30 (ENTER \$275 > + \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Term Two**, Feb 4 to June 5 (ENTER \$275 >

**COURSE FEES**

Indicate total # of additional classes you are enrolling your child in = \_\_\_\_

> Multiply by \$50 for **full year** (ENTER AMOUNT > + \$ \_\_\_\_\_

> Multiply by \$25 for **one term** (ENTER AMOUNT >

STUDENT FEES SUBTOTAL (annual fee + program fee + course fees) = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL STUDENT FEES DUE:** = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Payment Plan (Please Indicate Date and Amount):

Amount Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

Next Installment: \_\_\_\_\_

Next Installment: \_\_\_\_\_

Final Installment: \_\_\_\_\_

**FUNDRAISING COMMITMENT:**

I understand the fundraising goal for my child is \$300 per student this year. By signing below our family agrees to participate in collective fundraising efforts to raise a minimum \$300 per student. Please follow up with us in September about collective fundraising activities planned this year.

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Signed

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date