Bellydance Academy
GOLD COAST

SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER

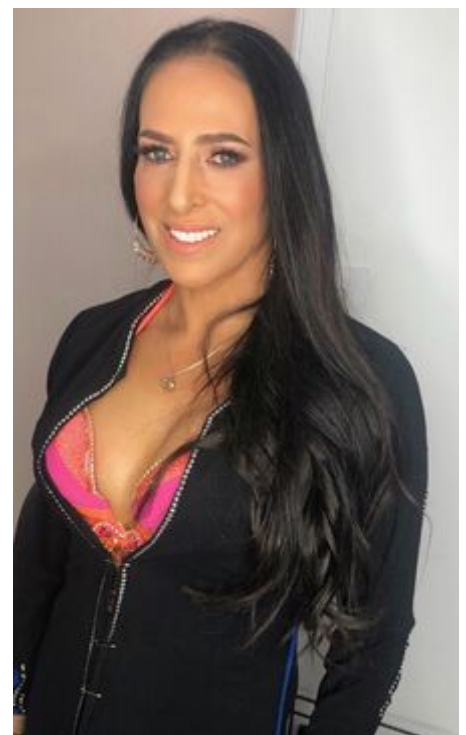Greetings,

Wow, where has the year gone?

The Academy, Stars of the Sahara troupe and I have been very busy this year with gigs and concert preparation. The Stars have had corporate events, a charity function and a celebration for the Portuguese national day. Shira has been busy with the popular theme of hens parties and birthdays, as well as a glamourous and lavish sweet 16th birthday at Robina Golf Course and an Indian wedding for 200 guests in the beautiful Numinbah Valley!

Now is a good time to save the date and book tickets for the end of year concert, our Moonlight Hafla, on the 16th of November. Link at:
https://www.facebook.com/events/1539040236225884/

In light & love,

Shira xx

Top: Diamonds of the Desert

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BEHIND THE VEIL

.On the 4th of August, Shira taught another fun, creative and feminine instalment of Behind the Veil at the Soul Centre. Suitable for all levels, our girls learnt about the relationship between their veils and expression in dance. We also covered ways to play with the veil, whether using them for audience participation, having fun with friends or adding something extra to a choreography. 5% of our proceeds were donated to charity Support The Girls.

MULTICULTURAL DAY

On the same day as our veil workshop, Alexandra, Amy and Rachel performed for a multicultural event in Broadwater Parklands to a very appreciative audience. While we represented the Middle East, others included Filipino and Japanese dancers. We thank Rachel's mother for the wonderful photos.

GOLD COAST SHOW

The Stars of the Sahara dance troupe, represented by Evelina, Alexandra and Joi, danced this year at the Gold Coast Show for the first time. Our evening performance was well-received by families enjoying the show, and the warm stage lights were very much welcomed!

PORTUGUESE NATIONAL DAY

In June, our friends at the Portuguese Club in Brisbane celebrated their home country's national day. Joi, Alexandra and Evelina happily joined them for a dinner show. Our girls report that it was a fun family event, where they introduced some very young children to the concept of dance.

CHARITY EVENT

In July, Joi and Alexandra travelled to Brisbane for a Bollywood night, organised for disabled people and their carers. The girls had a great night performing and even got to learn some Bollywood moves! They also gave a short dance lesson to the carers and volunteers while the DJ played his drum.

Above: Evelina surprising the guests at a hen's party.
Left: The Mother's Day Psychic and Holistic Fair

PSYCHIC AND HOLISTIC FAIR

For the third year in a row, the Stars of the Sahara were invited to perform at the Mother's Day Psychic and Holistic Fair at Carrara Markets. We so appreciate the organiser, Mia, for choosing to showcase us at one of her many events.

BEGINNER CLASSES

Our Dreams of the Desert in Robina, Southport and Helensvale continue to make us proud with their progress. They are currently working on a Baladi dance with a lot of technique and attitude for their choreography for the Moonlight Hafla.

CORPORATE EVENT

Alexandra and Evi kicked off spring at the beautiful Marriott hotel, dancing for a poolside corporate event. They not only enjoyed a fun audience, who they led in a dance-off after performing their own choreographies, but also a unique setting. The Marriott in Surfers Paradise is one of the few hotels with a saltwater pool featuring a man-made reef and tropical fish!

Timetable

Term 4 - 7th October to 12th December 2019

MONDAY
Robina Community Centre
Intermediate: 7:15 pm
Advanced / Troupe: 8:15 pm

TUESDAY
Robina Community Centre
Beginners / Beyond: 5:30 pm

WEDNESDAY
Southport Community Centre
Beginners / Beyond: 6:30 pm

THURSDAY
Helensvale Library & Cultural Centre
Beginners / Beyond: 5:30 pm

10 week term $150 - Casual $20

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