

Madison Square Homeschool Fall 2009 – Spring 2010 Class Descriptions

**** See our NEW** Classes**

**** DRAMA Class**

**DRAMA class for students 3rd grade and up —
Gwen Bryant Feb. 10- April 21 Cost: \$50**

Time: 10:00-11:00 am

Goal: To enable students to foster creativity, develop performance skills, develop language skills, build skills of cooperation and trust, and build self-confidence through the art of drama.

Ages and times: 3rd grade and up

Prerequisites: Students should be able to read.

Lesson Structure: 20 minutes of drama games followed by 20 minutes of specific training for the body, voice, and characterization followed by 20 minutes of practice play production.

End result: The students will put on a small performance for family and friends, perhaps incorporated with the dance performance

Cost: \$50

Note: In order to avoid additional expenses and time spent on set production and costumes, simple productions will be chosen which give the children a chance to demonstrate what they have learned.

SPANISH Classes

****Beginning Spanish *for ages 9–13* — Dawn**

Nieuwenhuis Cost: \$60 Dates: Feb. 10- April 21

Time: 11:45-12:45p.m.

Come and learn Spanish by playing games, singing songs, using TPR and some Rosetta Stone. We will be learning how to describe people—how they look, what they do, and what they are doing. We will work with SER and some AR verbs. At your request I will be teaching some of the same things to the older and younger Spanish classes. This will allow younger and older students of the same family to study together at home. While there will be some homework for the younger students, it will not be as advanced as the work required for the older class. Homework for older students will consist of memorizing some vocabulary words and doing some written exercises. (no prior Spanish knowledge needed)

Beginning Spanish *for ages 5-9* — Dawn

Nieuwenhuis Cost: \$60 Dates: Feb. 10 – April 21

Time: 2:30-3:15p.m.

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ART Classes

ART for ages 6–9 — \$62 — Diane Wright

Feb. 10- April 21

Time: 1:15-2:15p.m.

Students will sketch and draw animals from various perspectives and learn to give illusion of size and texture. Students will also practice sketching in pencil and then pastels, and design and build imaginary paper mache animal masks.

ART for ages 9 and up — \$72 — Diane Wright

Time: 2:30-4:00p.m.

In February the students will be sketching and drawing humans from various perspectives. In March they will study compositions using the text Still Life—first sketching in pencil and then pastels. In April with paper mache design they will build imaginary sculpted forms in three dimension.

DANCE Classes

Pre-Ballet for ages 3-5 — Jaime Brown

Feb. 10- April 21/ Cost: \$60

Time: 10:00-11:00

Jaime will teach basic ballet moves and simple choreography to Christian music. There will be opportunities for the children to use their gift of dance to bless others either at church or at other locations around the city.

Beginning Ballet for ages 6-10 — Jaime Brown

Feb. 10- April 21 Cost: \$60

Time: 11:00-12:00noon

Jaime will teach basic ballet moves and simple choreography to Christian music. There will be opportunities for the children to use their gift of dance to bless others either at church or at other locations around the city.

Beginning Tap for ages 5-11 — Jaime Brown

Feb. 10- April 21 Cost: \$60

Time: 12:00noon-1:00p.m.

Jaime will teach basic tap moves and simple choreography to Christian music. Opportunities for the children to use their gift of dance to bless others will be provided at various locations around the city.

More DANCE Classes

Praise Dance with Christian Hip-Hop for ages 9 and up — Aimee DeHollander

Feb. 10- April 21/ Cost: \$60

Time: 1:00-2:00p.m.

Praise Dance is the art of interpreting Christian music through dance combining holy hip hop, jazz, & ballet movements choreographed respectfully. This is a fun, high energy class! Dancers praise God by dancing to songs by artists such as Mary Mary, Kirk Franklin, Nicole C. Mullen and other popular Christian artists. Dancers will have opportunities to minister in dance at least two times during each semester at places such as Raybrook Nursing Home, Mel Trotter ministries, and at various churches around town.

**** Praise Dance with Christian Hip-Hop for ages 6-8 — Aimee DeHollander**

Feb. 10- April 21/ Cost: \$60

Time: 12:15p.m.-1:15p.m.

This is the first time we are offering a Contemporary Praise Dance class for this age level. Praise Dance is the art of interpreting Christian music through dance combining holy hip hop, jazz, & ballet movements choreographed respectfully. This is a fun, high energy class! Dancers praise God by dancing to songs by artists such as Mary Mary, Kirk Franklin, Nicole C. Mullen and other popular Christian artists. Dancers will have opportunities to minister in dance at least two times during each semester at places such as Raybrook Nursing Home, Mel Trotter ministries, and at various churches around town.

SCIENCE Class (continued)

****Human Anatomy & Physiology — 30 weeks — ages 13 and up — Bonnie Spaanstra**

Sept 9, 2009 – May 5, 2010

Cost: \$400 (Payment plans can be set up)

TEXTBOOK: (Bob Jones University Press “Biology” text, 3rd Edition)

Time: 12noon -2:15 p.m.

In this two-semester course we will be studying the systems of the human body, as well as cytology, genetics, and disease processes. The level of information is generally at an advanced placement (AP) level. Students will also be introduced to the use of microscopes, which will be used periodically. Various labs will include some dissections, learning to take a blood pressure, lung volume, blood typing, etc. Students will be required to write 3-4 research papers, as well as do 2-3 out-of-class projects. Class cost will include any lab materials used.

Probable labs to include (but not limited to):

Dissection of sheep heart and sheep pluck

Blood typing, and Blood pressure measurements and Lung volumes

Dissection of cow eye

Vision tests, including use of Snellen Eye Chart, binocular vision, color blindness,

Use of tuning forks to identify various types of hearing/sound conduction

Taste testing

Olfactory lab

Dissection of a mammal (mink or rat) near the end of the second semester

Special Projects or Research Papers to include:

Affects of alcohol and drugs on the Neurological System

Research over a specific genetic mutation in man

Effects of smoking

Nutrition & Exercise project

LEGO Class (continued from first semester)

LEGO Robotics — Linda Wheeler Cost: \$55

Time: 10:00-11:00