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### ***Inland Pacific Ballet Announces New Trainee Program Open Auditions for Young Dancers for 2011-2012 Saturday, August 20, 2011***

Serious ballet dancers from throughout the region are invited to audition for the Inland Pacific Ballet Company's new Trainee Program on Saturday, August 20, 2011 at the Company's studios at 5050 Arrow Hwy. in Montclair. Auditions are open to dancers who are at least 14 years old and are working at an advanced level. Young women applicants must be strong on pointe. Selected Trainees will work directly with the Company learning repertoire and will have performing opportunities with the Company during IPB's 2011-2012 season.

Audition details, schedule, and Trainee requirements can be found online at [www.ipballet.org](http://www.ipballet.org) or by calling (909) 482-1590. Additional information will be provided at the audition. Dancers must be available to begin rehearsals starting Sept. 17.

"Inland Pacific Ballet has a strong commitment to nurturing and developing gifted young dancers by offering Trainee and Apprentice opportunities with the professional Company," states Ballet Mistress Jill Voznick. "With an exciting full season being offered this year, we are looking for dancers who have the desire to commit to a rigorous schedule that will give them the tools and experience to become professional dancers. Trainees may also be considered for Apprenticeships with the Company."

Trainees will have performing opportunities in Inland Pacific Ballet's three season productions that include a fall repertoire performance with scenes from *Dracula* and *Swan Lake*, and *The Nutcracker* (December) and *Cinderella* (April) at both Bridges Auditorium in Claremont and the Lewis Family Playhouse in Rancho Cucamonga.

Founded in 1994 by Southern California natives Victoria Koenig and Kevin Myers, Inland Pacific Ballet has become one of southern California's cultural jewels. Its mission is to build and sustain a professional ballet company of national stature in the Inland Empire of Southern California committed to producing exquisitely staged productions of full-length classic story ballets as well as presenting the best in contemporary choreography.

For additional information, visit [www.ipballet.org](http://www.ipballet.org) or call Jill Voznick at 909-482-1590.

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