

2026 Winter/Spring Schedule



North Bay Performing Arts Association
Contessi Ballet School
Since 1976

Classical Ballet, Pas de Deux, Pilates
Contemporary & Jazz, Tap

Children and Adult Classes

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has a highly talented, professionally trained,
experienced teachers in the performing arts. We
are proud of the excellent reputation we have
built since 1976, and are dedicated to maintain-
ing quality.*

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Penngrove, CA



Contessi Ballet School School Holidays 2026:

Studio Closed:

President's Day: February 16

Easter/Spring Break: April 3-5

Memorial Day: May 25, 2026

Summer Break: June 22-July 5

Fourth of July Day

Labor Day: September 7

Thanksgiving: November 25-November 29

**Christmas/Holiday Break: December 22-
January 5**



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Performing Arts!

FACULTY
Classical Ballet Program

Hagop Kharatian
Irina Abramayan
Slava Belinsky
Damon Mahoney
Elena Mankowski
In training: Siena Harris

Sub Teachers:
Kavita Master
Allison Padecky

Carla S. Curet, Guest

STOTT Pilates Program
Michelle Hirsch

Contemporary/Jazz/Tap
Jordan Tauzer-Pardo



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Contessi Ballet School, Winter/Spring Semester, 2026

Kinder 1 & 2; Levels 1-6; Pre-Intermed./Intermed.; Adult Program

**Welcome to
Contessi Ballet School**

Marcella Contessi Smith founded the Contessi Ballet School over 40 years ago. As of August 2018, the North Bay Performing Arts Association, now owns and operates the business as a non-profit organization. We have highly talented, professionally trained and experienced teachers in the performing arts who train our students using the Vaganova and Cecchetti methods. We are proud of the excellent reputation Marcella Contessi Smith has built and we are dedicated to maintaining high quality classical training at our school. Instruction methods and techniques are based on the firm belief that every student has something to offer and learning should be fun and exciting! We are committed to small class sizes so that each student receives a generous amount of personal attention as well as an education in the history of classical ballet and other forms of dance.



Ballet attire for students:

Capezio training leotards/Pointe Shoes & Slippers

Bourree Boutique, The Pointe Shop,

Bay Area Dancewear

Pink tights, pink ballet slippers and hair in bun

Kinder: Pink, cap sleeve CC400C

Level 1-2: Lt. Blue, cap sleeve, CC400C

Level 3-4: Royal Blue CC202

Level 5-6: Red CC202

Pre-Intermediate/Pre-Professional: Black CC202

Intermediate/Pre-Professional: Burgundy CC202

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
4:30-5:30 Level 1/2 Ballet Technique Elena	5:00-6:30 Level 4-6 & Pre-Intermediate Technique/Pointe Slava	5:00-6:00 Level 3-6 Pointe Slava	5:30-7:00 Level 3-6 & Pre-Intermediate Technique and Pointe Slava	4:30-5:30 Level 1/2 Technique Elena/Slava	Kinder 1 10:-10:45 am (2-3 yrs) Siena
5:30-6:45 Level 5-6 & Pre-Intermediate Technique Slava		6:00-7:30 Adult Ballet Intermed. Beg. Damon			- Kinder 2 Ballet 10:45-11:45 a.m. (4-5 yrs) Elena
6:45-8:00 Adult Ballet Adv Beg Slava		7:30-8:30 Adult Contemporary Megan		5:30-6:30 Level 3 Pre-Pointe Slava	1:00-3:00 pm Combined Level 3-6, & Pre-intermediate Pointe /Partnering Class Slava
8:00-8:30 Adult Beg Pointe Slava				6:30-7:45 Adult Ballet Beginning Slava	
**Email Studio for school tuition pricing at nbpaacontessiballet@gmail.com	ADULT Dance Classes Drop-In: \$25 per hour of class Adult Class Punch Card 8 hrs of Class: \$160 1 punch= 1 hr of class. Unlimited: \$195 per month		Winter/Spring Semester. 2026 January 5-June 21, 2026 Summer Session: July 6-25 Fall semester. 2026 August 3-December 22, 2026		