

# Circus

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## December Reminders

- **Skills Evaluation** will be conducted the week of Dec 8th. Results will be provided the following week. In January, we begin the “Act Development” phase.
- **Enrollment** for all performing Circus classes **is now closed**.
- The last day of classes before the **HOLIDAY BREAK** is Thursday, December 18. **There will be no Circus classes from December 22 through January 4.** Classes will resume on Monday, January 5th.
- Circus **class fees are pro-rated** for the month of December, since we only have 3 weeks of classes. Enjoy your time off and come back refreshed and ready to prepare for this year’s show!
- Please make sure all class fees are paid before the 10th of December to remain in your classes. Thank you.
- **Absences:** Students can only miss **2 classes per month** or they risk being removed from an act. Regular attendance will be even more important as we begin to develop our Acts!

**Circus Merchandise Sale, 4:30-6:30pm**  
**December 3, 4, 10, 11....holiday gift ideas!**

**Circus Meetings**  
**Sunday, December 14th**  
**4:30-5:45pm Circus Trainers Meeting in the AOA Center....followed by a CCAC Meeting beginning at 6:00pm.**  
**Please plan on attending!**  
**Thank you, R. Stein~**

**Circus Workshops on Sun. Dec. 14th ....brought to you by Jesse Alford, Circus Alum**

1:30-3:00pm Juggling (all levels) & Clowning; open to ages 10 yrs.—adult

3:00-4:10pm Stretching & Conditioning Techniques; open to ages 13yrs.– adult

# Parent Volunteers Needed

**W**ant to help, but not sure which volunteer position is right for you? Some are needed all season, others are needed as we build up to show time, and some are strictly show time positions. Remember, there are no class fees in May, in part because parents are expected to volunteer in one way or another, so take a look at the following list to see which spots are right for you:

**Act Parents** help organize the activities for a particular act, make phone calls, take measurements for costumes, and so forth.

**Spotters** are needed all season to help ensure the safety of the performers, especially aerialists, by standing beneath them and observing the contact points between the performers and the equipment. Call the Circus Office about the next spotting workshop!

**Facilitators** work year-round to assist trainers by guiding and helping the performers as they learn new skills, tricks and routines.

**Merchandise Sales** volunteers sell circus merchandise during circus classes and during shows.

**Costumes** are prepared throughout the year and organized during show time. We always need help sewing and designing costumes, and managing the dressing rooms during show.

**Ads and Fundraising** volunteers help organize year-round publicity for circus as well as selling ads in the program.

**Parent Patrol** volunteers keep an eye on performers as they wait to perform during

rehearsals and shows.

**Kid Watch** volunteers look after the non-performing children of other show volunteers during performances.

**Rousts** help during rehearsals and show time by setting the equipment for each act.

**Spotlight Operators** help during rehearsals and show time by operating the lighting for each act. Get a prime seat for every show!

**Ticket Sales** begin in April. Help sell tickets a couple nights a week while your kids rehearse.

**Stage Managers** keep backstage running smoothly during show time by managing the communications between the director and the performers.

**Ushers** direct audience members to their seats during show time. Another prime seat waiting for you!

**Concessions** are sold during show. Volunteers help run the concession stand by preparing and retrieving refreshments as they are ordered.

**Set Construction** includes designing and building set materials, helping put bleachers together and rig the lighting and sound in preparation for show.

**If you are interested in helping, please contact new CCAC President, Lisa Godin, at (909) 792-8414 ext. 218, or email [ccac@ycircus.org](mailto:ccac@ycircus.org).**

# Now That's Talent!!



## “A Fiesta to Remember” Thank you’s

Gracias to all who supported the CCAC annual fundraising dinner and silent auction. The event, which included dinner, a private circus performance, and a wonderful selection of gift baskets for the silent auction, brought in over \$3000! CCAC’s Dinner Committee: Tammy Seheult, Denise Stewart, Karen Patterson, Lisa Godin, and Kim Clay-Ramos did a great job pulling it all together, and the performers put on a wonderful show! Thank you to Carniceria for the food and Olive Avenue Market for providing the scrumptious desserts.

Many thanks to all the Circus parents, Act parents and Trainers who donated to, and helped organize the gift baskets. It was an experimental way to do them this year, and it ended up being quite successful. The winning basket, (most bids & highest winning bid) was from Teeterboard. This class can expect to attend a private party at the Seheult’s house to be arranged for them after the holiday season.

And finally, much gratitude to those who purchased tickets and bid on the gift baskets. We look forward to seeing you at next year’s gala!



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## YMCA Holiday Programs & Special Events

### REDLANDS CHRISTMAS PARADE

Saturday, Dec. 6th @ 6pm  
Sign up on clipboards outside Robin's office.

### Winter Break Day Camp

December 22, 2008—January 2, 2009  
Times: 6:30am-6:30pm  
Days: Monday-Friday  
Ages: Kindergarten—10th Grade  
Full Facility Members: \$125 / week  
Basic Members: \$140 / week  
One Day Rate: \$28

### Specialty Day Camps

*Top Chef Holiday Kids' Camp &  
Performing Arts Kids' Camp*

Days: December 29—Jan. 2, 2009  
Time: 10am-2pm (*extended hours: 6:30am-6:30pm*)  
Ages: 5-14 years  
Full Facility Members: \$145  
Basic Members: \$155

Don't miss out on these holiday camps! Sign up at the front desk to join in on the fun.

### Parents' Night Out

For kids ages 3—12 yrs.  
Friday, Dec. 12th: 5:30pm-9:30pm  
**Fees:** 1 Child - \$16.00/\$24.00  
2 Children - \$26.00/\$34.00  
3 Children - \$36.00/\$44.00  
4 Children - \$46.00/\$54.00

### Holiday Drop & Shop

Saturday, Dec. 20th  
Time: 8am-2pm  
Cost: \$25/\$35 (1 child)  
\$40/\$50 (2 children)  
Sign up at the front desk!

### New Year's Open House

Saturday, Jan. 3rd—9am to Noon—FREE

For more information, contact:  
**Parents' Night Out / Drop & Shop**  
Veronica Bulaich—(909) 798-9622 ext. 210

### Day Camp & Specialty Camp

Karen Claunch—(909) 798-9622 ext. 207