This summer, the Academy will be offering a number of different options for dance including **Dance Around the World** (age 5-9)—morning workshops that highlight cultures of Polynesian Islands, Scandinavia, and Mexico & Spain; and **Ballet** (including **Adult Ballet**), **Festival of Science** rehearsals, and **Dance Workshops** for RAD Grade 3+ including a variety of dance styles and techniques. New this year, we are also offering **Ballet Intensives** for RAD Grade 6+ that includes an in-studio performance at the end of each intensive.

*Individual music lessons* are available and we are happy to prorate as needed to fit your family’s schedule.

**Suzuki Strings** workshops will be offered as well. Students may sign up for the full day or morning/afternoon only. Topics include master class, Music Mind Games, group class, chamber/sight reading ensemble, music exploration, and fiddle. **Group fiddle** classes are available for a range of ages and new Suzuki families may join in our **Suzuki Strings Parent Beginner Package**.

For musicians finishing sixth grade and above, don’t forget to consider attending the sixty-seventh season of **Curry Summer Music Camp at NAU**. This is a fantastic opportunity to work with the finest clinicians from around the country and meet new friends! *(Make sure to claim the Academy discount when registering!)*

**Naomi Anders** will be attending a summer dance intensive in Salt Lake City with Ballet West. **Emma Stephens** will be attending a summer dance intensive at Brigham Young University.

**Celeste Crowley** (violin) was selected to participate in this year’s All-State Orchestra. Celeste studies privately with Shelley Rich.

**Marcus Conn Minister** (violin) auditioned and was selected to sing the National Anthem before the Arizona Diamondbacks game at Chase Field on April 28th against the St. Louis Cardinals. Marcus takes violin lessons with Dr. Karin Hallberg.

**Liza Aber** won third place in the Arizona Chapter of the National Society of Arts and Letters Dance Competition and will perform her solo at a luncheon at Paradise Country Club.

Congratulations to **Dr. Karin Hallberg** (violin teacher) who has been promoted to Principal Lecturer at NAU.

**Alyssa Click** (voice teacher) will graduate this spring and continue to pursue her master’s degree at Boston Conservatory in the fall.

We are sad to say goodbye to **Kari Lapins** (violin, viola, Music Mind Games, teen chamber ensemble, fiddle teacher, and Suzuki Strings co-coordinator) who will be relocating to Tennessee to join her husband. We wish her all the best and are grateful for the work she has done with students at the Academy.
**Upcoming Events**

4/28/16: Voice Studio Master Class, 7-9pm, Performing & Fine Arts Bldg., room 147

4/30/16: Percussion Discovery, 10am-12pm, Performing & Fine Arts Bldg., room 146

5/3/16: Piano Studio Recitals, 5pm, 6pm, 7pm, Ashurst Auditorium

5/5/16: Suzuki Strings Group Recital, 4:30pm, Coconino High School Auditorium

5/5/16: Voice Studio Master Class, 7-9:30pm, Performing & Fine Arts Bldg., room 147

5/7/16: Suzuki Strings Informal Recitals, 3-5pm, Ponderosa room 112

5/10/16: Suzuki Strings Informal Recitals, 4-6pm, Ponderosa room 112

5/10/16: Voice Studio Dress Rehearsal, 5:30pm, Performing & Fine Arts Bldg., room 147

5/11/16: Suzuki Strings Formal Recitals, 4pm, 5pm, 6pm, Ashurst Auditorium

5/12/16: Voice Studio Recital, 6:15pm, Performing & Fine Arts Bldg., room 147

5/13/16: Suzuki Strings Formal Recitals, 4:30pm & 5:30pm, Ashurst Auditorium

5/14/16: Catharine B. Adel Scholarship Recipient Recital, 4pm, Ashurst Auditorium

5/16/16-5/18/16: Spring Dance Performance Spacing rehearsals, see performance week schedule for details, Studio A

5/19/16-5/20/16: Spring dance performance dress rehearsals, see performance week schedule for details, Ardrey Memorial Auditorium

5/21/16: Percussion Discovery, 10am-12pm, Performing & Fine Arts Bldg., room 146

5/21/16: Spring Dance Performances, 1pm & 7:30pm, Ardrey Memorial Auditorium

5/30/16: Memorial Day—no class or rehearsals; office closed

6/2/16: Group Fiddle begins, (see registration form for details), Ponderosa 114

6/6/16-6/10/16: Dance Workshop #1 (see registration form for details), Studio A

6/13/16-6/17/16: Dance Workshop #2 (see registration form for details), Studio A

6/13/16-6/17/16: Suzuki Strings Workshop #1 (see registration form for details), Ponderosa 114

6/20/16-6/24/16: Dance Around the World, 9am-12pm, Studio A

6/27/16-7/2/16: Dance Around the World, 9am-12pm, Studio A

7/4/16: Independence Day—no class or rehearsals; office closed

7/5/16-7/9/16: Summer Dance Intensive #1 (see registration form for details), Studio A

**Academy Office Hours in May and Summer**

May 10—24 & 27: Office will be open 10am-6pm Monday–Thursday; 10am-5pm Friday

The same (small) staff who run the Academy will also be running the Curry Summer Music Camp (June 19—July 9) so please understand that we may not always be immediately available by phone or in the office. If you leave a message or send an email, we will be sure to contact you ASAP.

**Please Take Our Survey**

This past year has been filled with exciting new changes and additions to the Academy program. We work very hard to constantly grow and expand and strive to provide the best possible experience for each and every one of you. Your thoughts and ideas are a big part of this process. Please take a moment to complete a brief survey to help us gain some insight into what’s working and what needs to be re-examined. You will find a link on the main page of the Academy website that will lead you to the survey. Your feedback is anonymous—and greatly appreciated!!