2026 SPRING SEMESTER PRE-PROFESSIONAL PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

1. Mission

The mission of Guam Conservatory of Arts is to train and prepare students in order so they may participate in the professional classical arts at the highest levels. Training should begin appropriately early and training should be presented in a progressive manner, each lesson building upon the previous lesson. The Conservatory provides a nurturing but structured environment, one that resembles the training students receive in their respective art form.

The goal of the Program is to immerse students in their chosen art forms, among them being dance, drama, music and other related disciplines. While our qualified instructors conduct class in a friendly and warm manner, students are nevertheless expected to be formal, polite, courteous, and focused. In participating in the Program, our hope is that students not only develop self-awareness, focus, confidence, and discipline, but most importantly, a love for the arts.

The Spring Semester is for children aged 5-17.

Below is key information to help your family prepare for the Program.

2. Curriculum

Students will be given structured lessons in:

- Dance (classical ballet, tap dance, stretch & strength)
- Music Private Lessons (voice, piano, violin, cello, recorder, trumpet, French horn)
- Group Classes (voice, art, piano, trumpet and violin)

3. Schedule

By enrolling your child, you will be committing your child to attend the entirety of the semester: January 5 – May 17, 2025. As such, it is our expectation that your child will attend all scheduled classes and will only be absent in cases of illness and/or emergency. If your child has a conflict with any part of the schedule, you MUST make known what the scheduling issues are at the time of Registration. Your child may <u>not</u> be admitted to the Program if s/he is projected to miss classes on a regular basis.

Since the Conservatory will only allow a limited number of students to participate in the Program, you are reserving an exclusive spot for your child. The program's Enrollment Committee will prioritize students who are able to attend the entirety of the program.

Holidays: there are no holidays for which the Conservatory will close during the Spring Semester.

4. Tuition

Music Registration Fee: \$100 Dance Registration Fee: \$200

Paying the non-refundable Registration Fee reserves a spot for your child in the Enrollment Process while collecting the requisite documentation. The Registration Fee is non-refundable under any condition.

Tuition cost is dependent upon the age of the student, and whether the student is enrolling in multiple programs (e.g., dance and music) or in group classes or in private lessons. <u>Please inquire about the tuition rates for your child by emailing Info@GuamConservatory.Org or by phoning (671) 929-7799.</u>

Tuition must be paid in full by the first day of the Spring Semester. Installment plans must be discussed and agreed upon ahead of time and will require you to sign a Credit-Card Authorization Form. Inquire about the Installment Plan at: Admin@GuamConservatory.Org

Financial Responsibility

You are financially responsible for the entirety of the program's tuition, whether your child attends in part or in whole, and whether your child voluntarily leaves the program or is dismissed from the program due to unacceptable behavior. There is no pro-rating of tuition nor will there be refunds of any kind.

5. Orientation

It is <u>mandatory</u> that at least one parent or guardian attend a Parent Orientation. Not attending will lower your child's priority for acceptance into the program.

Orientation #1: Monday, December 22, 2025 at 6:00PM
Orientation #2: Tuesday, December 30, 2025 at 6:00PM

6. Confirmation of Enrollment

Confirmation of your child's enrollment into the program will be given <u>only</u> when the following are completed prior to the deadline date of December 22, 2025.

- 1. A portion of the registration fee of \$100 can made here: **REGISTRATION PAY LINK**
- 2. Sign Enrollment Agreement Packet. ENROLLMENT AGMT PACKET LINK
- 3. If a block grant recipient: sign Addendum to Enrollment Agreement. ADDENDUM LINK

(Applicants making submissions after the deadline are expected to pay a late fee of \$50.)

<u>Note</u>: Block Grant recipients are not exempt from paying the Registration Fee and submitting the Enrollment Agreement by the deadline date of August 1, 2025. Additionally, an Addendum to the Enrollment Agreement must be signed by parents of Block Grant recipients. <u>See Section 17 of this document for further instructions.</u>

7. Emergency Medical Policy

- In emergencies, the Conservatory will first contact Emergency officials and then parents/guardians or other listed emergency contacts.
- For minor issues, we have a First Aid kit on-site (no EpiPen).
- If your child has a medical condition or allergy, you must notify us prior to enrollment.

8. Communication

Group Chat: In order to receive Whatsapp broadcast texts, you must have the following

phone numbers saved on your cellular device. If the following phone numbers are NOT saved on your device, you will not be able to receive emergency broadcast texts.

Please take a moment to save the following numbers to your phone.

(671) 929-7799 - Guam Conservatory of Arts (main number)

Email us at: Info@GuamConservatory.Org

Admin@GuamConservatory.Org

9. Attendance and Illness Policy

Attendance:

- Daily attendance is required.
- O Dance students and group music class students are allowed up to 6 absences each semester. Private music students are allowed up to 3 absences each semester.
- o Promptness is a sign of respect to your instructor. If you aren't early, you are late.
- o Absences should be relayed to the staff as early as possible. Email: admin@GuamConservatory.Org or phone (671) 929-7799.

Illness:

- o Children who are ill are asked to remain at home until fully recuperated.
- o If a child arrives with a suspected illness, parents/guardians will be contacted immediately and asked to pick up the child.

10. Arrivals and Pick-Ups

Sign In/Out Procedures

- Parents/guardians must sign their children in and out on an Attendance Form.
- Block Grant recipients must sign <u>two</u> separate attendance forms.
- When picking up your child, ask a staff member to retrieve your child.
- Only individuals listed on the **Authorized Persons for Child Release** form may pick up students, unless previously arranged with staff.

Late Pick-Up Policy

- A 15-minute grace period is given before late fees will be imposed at the rate of \$20 fee per 1–5 minutes will be charged.
- Unpaid late fees may result in suspension or withdrawal.
- Please communicate any delays with the staff.

11. Code of Conduct

The art of saying "hello."

- Every student is expected to say "hello," especially to staff and faculty upon entering the building. Train your children to say "hello" and "goodbye" as it is a good habit to form early and will serve them well throughout their lives. We practice congeniality at all times at the Conservatory. It is best that students learn such behaviors at home. Politeness, kindness and respect go a long way in building character.
- Respect for instructors, peers, and the Conservatory property is expected at all times. Rudeness, disrespect, and vulgarity are not tolerated toward any person.
- Absolutely no touching mirrors or glass is allowed. No hanging on ballet barres. Disruptive
 or unsafe behavior may result in a parent meeting and, if unresolved, dismissal from the
 program.

12. Food and Beverages

Eating food is typically not allowed inside the Conservatory, however, it is permitted just outside the front door.

• <u>Beverages</u>: Only water is allowable to drink inside the Conservatory. Students must bring a water bottle each day.

13. Required Attire

Dance attire is required for dance students. If your child does not have the required dancewear, s/he will be asked to sit and watch the class. Because your child will be involved in strenuous physical activity, no jewelry of any kind is permitted to be worn.

Ballet / Tap / Stretch Classes:

Girls: black leotard, pink tights, pink leather ballet shoes. (No skirts.)

Boys: black tights (athletic tights or black running shorts are options), a white t-

shirt or tank top, black ballet shoes. (No sweatpants.)

Tap Classes: All students must have black tap shoes.

14. Supplies

Inquire at Info@GuamConservatory.Org whether the program you are enrolling your child requires any special supplies, equipment or instrument.

15. What Students Should Not Bring

- **No electronics, toys, or valuables** allowed inside the Conservatory. This includes phones, tablets, and gaming consoles.
- **No food** is allowed inside the Conservatory.

16. Lost & Found

The Conservatory is not responsible for any personal items left behind. Please ensure that when your child is picked up, you take a final look to see that his/her belongings are taken home.

17. Child-Care Block Grant

Guam Department of Public Health & Social Services ("DPHSS") has made available block grant funding for after-school child care activities to qualifying households. Your child's tuition may be covered through the block grant. Check household income thresholds: HOUSEHOLD QUALIFICATION

If you hope to utilize the block grant to cover the 2025 Fall Semester Tuition, you must apply for the block grant as soon as possible directly with DPHSS since processing time will be required to determine whether your household qualifies.

Obtain a block grant application here: **CHILDCARE BLOCK GRANT APPLICATION**

Provider Data Form:

Prior to submitting your Child-Care Block Grant Application to DPHSS, <u>you must request a Provider Data Form from Guam Conservatory of Arts</u>. You will submit this Provider Data Form along with your Child-Care Block Grant Application. As stated on **Page 2 Section 6** of this document, the Conservatory will **NOT** issue you a Provider Data Form until you:

- 1. Pay a portion of the non-refundable registration fee of \$100. Pay here: **REGISTRATION PAY**
- 2. Sign and submit the Enrollment Agreement Packet. **ENROLLMENT AGMT PACKET**
- 3. Sign and submit the Addendum to Enrollment Agreement. ADDENDUM

(The agreements can easily be completed online from your smart phone.)

Because DPHSS subsidizes up to \$390 of tuition and part of the Registration Fee for block grant recipients, you must ensure that your status in the block grant program remains in good standing. If you are disqualified from the block grant program for any reason, you will be held financially liable for any portion of the tuition not paid by the block grant. Payment will be due within 3 business days, and if unpaid, your child will be disenrolled from the Summer Intensive. Despite your child being disenrolled, you accept financial liability for any unpaid outstanding tuition.

Please contact us at:

Guam Conservatory of Arts (671) 929-7799 Info@GuamConservatory.Org GuamConservatory.Org

Address:

556 Route 8, Barrigada GU 96931

When using a map app, search the following address for more precise directions: 115 Jackson Road, Barrigada GU 96913

Map Link: Guam Conservatory of Arts Location