Remembering Jack Gordon

March 13, 1929 - February 16, 2020

We all remember Jack so fondly as one of our Invertigo family. He was one of our very first dancers, taking part in a seminar at Cedars Sinai when Invertigo Dance Theatre’s newly formed program, Dancing Through Parkinson’s was invited to make a presentation. This was in 2011, and ever since then he and Romeo have attended classes on Mondays at The Electric Lodge in Venice. He never left without thanking the teachers and promoted the program enthusiastically. Jack danced, played his harmonica and sang, knowing all the words to every song. Only a week before his passing, Jack was dancing with us to “At Last”, written in 1941 by his father who was an Oscar winning composer and lyricist. Jack served in the US Army during the Korean War and joined MGM on his return, as an interim employee. 44 years later he retired after a career which included VP of MGM International (1972), Executive VP (1979), President of MGM/UA International (1983-1997). In retirement he played golf and tennis and watched every New York Yankees game! But his first love was his family. Jack and Doris were married for 66 years, and have a large, loving family. Jack, we miss you.

Photos taken in class on his 90th birthday, March 2019.

Los Angeles International Dance Festival's Dance for All: April 13

Calling all DTP Dancers! Perform with us at The Broad Stage on Monday April 13th as part of the Los Angeles International Dance Festival co-presented by Debbie Allen and Nigel Lythgoe. The Dance For All event on April 13th celebrates dance as an art form for all -- for people with different bodies, abilities, and experience.

We will be partnering with the American Youth Symphony (AYS) and composer Mike Mac for an original composition to be performed live by the AYS youth quartet on stage with our dancers.

We hope you will join us in this collaborative effort -- as a performer, production volunteer, group activist, costume creator, or helping to spread the word about the show. We’re excited to co-create with you all!

Show: Monday April 13th 7:30 PM
The Broad Stage, 1310 11th St., Santa Monica

For more information see your teachers or reach out to K. Bradford.
Email: k.bradford@invertigodance.org Call: #424-229-2141 We value your contribution and commitment, no matter the size or form!
American Youth Symphony Spring Chamber Concert with DTP: March 19th
The youth quartet of American Youth Symphony joins DTP-Culver City for a collaborative class on Thursday March 19th 1:30 - 2:30p at the Culver City YMCA. Join us for a special class with live original music by the AYS Quartet!

New studio at DTP-Culver City!
Exciting news for DTP: Invertigo’s growing Culver City DTP class has a new home at the Culver Palms YMCA! After months of construction at the Culver Palms YMCA, DTP teachers and dancers are all excited to be in a spacious new studio with barres and natural lighting. Let’s fill the space with more dancing and more dancers! Come join us at our new studio in Culver City.

DTP Volunteer Ruby Cabbell
Special thanks to volunteer Ruby Cabbell for assisting the DTP-Culver City site this year. Ruby has been a tremendous help to our Teaching Artists, and her bright and positive spirit has been a great addition to our classes. She will participate in a Dance for PD training program and we look forward to seeing her grow with our DTP family.

PCLA Community Walk: Sunday April 26
Get moving and enjoy the spring weather at the PCLA’s inaugural Community Walk April 26 at Tongva Park in Santa Monica. Meet old friends, make new ones, and raise funds to help families living with PD!

Sunday, April 26, 2020, 10am
Tongva Park, Santa Monica
Register and find more information on the PCLA website: https://pclawalk.rallybound.org

Women with PD: Join us on Sunday March 15!
“Twitchy Woman” is a social network for women living in the Los Angeles area who have Parkinson’s Disease. It is not a traditional support group, but a group that wants to learn new and different ways to best to manage PD, while meeting other like-minded women. The group was started by Sharon Krischer, after she was diagnosed in 2009, to best manage her disease and health. The group has been a wonderful resource for women to educate and empower their health regimen and create community. Dancing Through Parkinson’s is delighted to present their program of dance to the group once again, and we hope you’ll join us! For more info: www.twitchywoman.com.

Sunday, March 15, 2020 from 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM
The Wallis Annenberg Center for the Performing Arts

LA Fox Trot & Festival for PD
Michael J. Fox Foundation POSTPONED
Due to the situation surrounding coronavirus COVID-19, The Michael J. Fox Foundation has decided to postpone the Los Angeles Fox Trot on March 15th. The event will be rescheduled for a date to be determined later this year, either at The Rose Bowl or another Los Angeles venue based on availability. Please look out for future communications.

Cedars-Sinai PD Conference: April 4th
Join us at a Cedars-Sinai for a Parkinson’s Disease Patient Community Conference with Dr. Tagliati, Dr. Tan & Dr. Hogg. An amazing line-up of resources: PD health presentations, research updates, breakfast, yoga, kickboxing, and a fun-filled DTP presentation with Linda Berghoff and our amazing DTP teachers.

Saturday, April 4, 7:30am-1pm
Harvey Morse Auditorium, Cedar-Sinai
Park in lot P4, parking will be validated.
Learn more at www.cedars-sinai.org/parkinsonsconference
Register online or contact Zoey Cortez zoey.cortez@chs.org or 310-423-1320

DTP CLASS SCHEDULE

Mondays, 1:30pm-2:30pm at The Electric Lodge, 1416 Electric Ave, Venice, 90291
Tuesdays, 11:30am-12:30pm at Wallis Annenberg Center for the Performing Arts, 9390 N Santa Monica Blvd, Beverly Hills, 90210
Tuesdays, 1:30pm-2:30pm at LA Star Dance Studio, 19320 Ventura Blvd, Tarzana, 91356
Thursdays, 1:30pm-2:30pm at Culver Palms YMCA, 4500 Sepulveda Blvd, Culver City, 90230

** CLASS CANCELLATIONS **
None

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