



SYROMALABAR CULTURAL ACADEMY

Offering Classes
in Cultural &
Educational
Stream



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Cultural Academy: A place where children receive meaningful experience through appreciation of Arts, Sports, and Academics based on Christian values. Classes taught by qualified and committed professionals. Classes held at SyroMalabar Cathedral on Saturdays

SMCA
CLASSES OPEN
SEPT. 30TH

Supported by
ILLINOIS
ARTS
COUNCIL

SCHOOL OF DANCE

Bollywood/Cinematic/Western: Chinu Thottam

- Founder and Director of Shingari's School of Rhythm in Chicago
- Well known dancer, Choreographer, Dance teacher
- Trained in Bharatanatyam, Kuchipudi, Mohiniyattam, Folk and Bollywood / Cinematic dance styles
- Offering classes with professional choreography



CLASSICAL/CINEMATIC/DEVOTIONAL

Sreevidya Vijayan & Varsha Vijayan

- Born dancers - dancing since age 5
- Trained in Mohiniyattam & Kuchipudi
- Choreograph and perform in all dance styles
- Winners of various competitions in Muscat, Oman, Kerala and USA
- Winner of American Natya Idol 2016
- Offering classes with vibrant choreography



Western Dance : Shevin Ellickal

- Great performer and Passionate Dancer
- Several Years of experience as South Asian Fusion Dancer
- Performed with various dance teams including Chicago Dhamaal, Hip Hop, Connexion Primo and Mod Project



SCHOOL OF MUSIC

Classical/Light Music: Jessy Kurian

- Bachelor's in Music & well qualified teacher
- Studied under G. Radhakrishna Iyer and Dr. K. Omanakutty
- Was an artist on All India Radio
- Well known stage artist and play back singer



GUITAR & PIANO: Cherian Vazhapally

- Professional guitarist, teacher and orchestrator
- 35 years of experience in teaching
- Expertise includes Guitar, Veena, Drums and Harmonica.
- Guitar Player in Kalasadan and Voice of Music, Trichur



VIOLIN/ENGLISH MUSIC:

Sharon Garvey Cohen

- Sharon Garvey Cohen is a soprano in the Lyric opera of Chicago Chorus.
- She holds a K-12 Music Education in Illinois.
- She has bachelor's in music education and her Masters in voice performance from Northwestern University.
- She teaches voice at Fenton High School in Bensenville and also teaches violin and piano in a home studio, using mainly the Suzuki method.



SCHOOL OF SPORTS

Badminton: John Scaria (Sanu)

- Playing badminton for the last 12 years
- Teacher for the last 6 years
- Champion in many tournaments in USA.
- Experienced Badminton teacher



Basketball: Nathan Kuncheria

- Nathan: Has 12 years of basketball experience and is a multi-sport athlete. He also runs, plays football, and plays spikeball.



ACADEMICS/SPECIALITIES

DRAWING/PAINTING: Rose Vadakara

- Versatile artist who is passionate about art and teaching
- Her artwork has been displayed at many events and occasions in Cathedral.
- Won many prizes for various competitions in Kerala



MASTER BRAIN ABACUS ONLINE CLASSES

Instructor: Saji Alex Tomy

- helps children to develop their listening skills, concentration, speed and accuracy, memory, creativity, imagination, visualization, thinking ability, high confidence and leadership skills



Public Speaking Session: Jojo Vellanickal

- Offers insights on various aspects of public speaking from a prismatic perspective.
- The lecture - demonstrations take the form of an interactive discussion, with audio-visual examples on each topic



PROGRAM FOR WOMEN

Fitness For Women

- Experience a dance fitness program that combines exhilarating choreography and calorie-burning workouts with upbeat music from Bollywood.
- No prior dance experience is required just a positive attitude and the desire to unleash your inner swagger! Building Life Skills for Women Empower yourself with your hidden talents and hobbies

SELF DEFENSE

- Self defense by Bellwood police department tact team for boys / girls - Age between 12 -17



SMCA-MAKING LIFE LONG CONNECTION BETWEEN OUR CHURCH AND OUR CHILDREN!!!

Dance for men coming soon!

New exciting classes for adults and children... It is a skill development training program for 5 to 15 years old children.

Come learn, relax and tone your mind and body...