
INBC Member's Newsletter

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President April's Message

Hello fellow members!

What a torrent of life we've been whirling around lately. All the green buds, the pollinators, and the storms. I hope everyone survived all these highwind storms unscathed. They took a toll on our fence, but that needed mending anyway.

We had our meeting a few weeks earlier, you'll find the notes below. Some key takeaways: Laci (Samira) will be spearheading a program for the instructors in our membership to offer an online class for our members and we have a gig opportunity in Carmel July 3.

I do want to speak on one meeting note of great importance: One of our members was physically touched without consent at a restaurant gig. If that wasn't bad enough, this same person was seen at another event, in another state, a couple of weeks later and was seen by our member doing the same thing to a dancer there. The perpetrator has been banned from the restaurant where the incident took place and he is banned from INBC events. I will be talking to other belly dance community members and leaders from other locales about their interactions with the perpetrator to hear how they have dealt with him in the past and behaviours that he's engaged in with other belly dancers. We are working on a Dancer Safety page currently with safety tips, an Incident Report Form, and previous Incident Reports (anonymized & private to members only).

Stay safe out there fellow dancers!

April

Meeting Minutes

Catch up on the latest from our April 10th meeting. Click [here](#) to read the minutes!

Event Highlights

- **CarmelFest (performance opportunity)**



INBC will be presenting a one-hour show on the **KidsZone** stage at **CarmelFest** on **July 3, from 3–4 PM**. The stage is located just south of Carmel, Indiana’s City Hall.

We’re putting together a joyful, family-friendly show highlighting a variety of belly dance styles, and we’d love to include educational and instructional components.

If you're interested in this fun performance opportunity, please reply to this email at inbcisametd@gmail.com.

We’re also looking for an **MC** and someone interested in **coordinating the event**. Additionally, we hope to host a **booth** and will be looking for volunteers to represent us!

More info on CarmelFest can be found here: <https://www.carmelfest.net/>

- **Allure Dance & Fitness Spring Shimmer (INBC Partnership Event)**



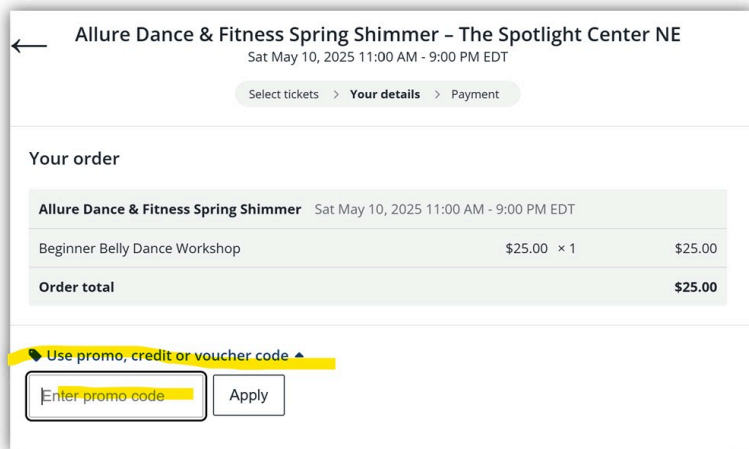
Time and Date: Saturday, May 10, 2025 | 11:00 AM – 9:00 PM EDT

Venue: Spotlight Center NE, 5060 E 62nd St, Indianapolis

Join **Layali Dance Co.** and **Allure Dance & Fitness** for **Spring Shimmer**—a full day of belly dance workshops, local vendors, and a dazzling Gala Show featuring guest artist **Liah Mazz** and the **2025 Shimmy Mob!**

INBC members receive special ticket discounts— see below for the code and how to apply it! Find full event details on the calendar at the bottom of our website.

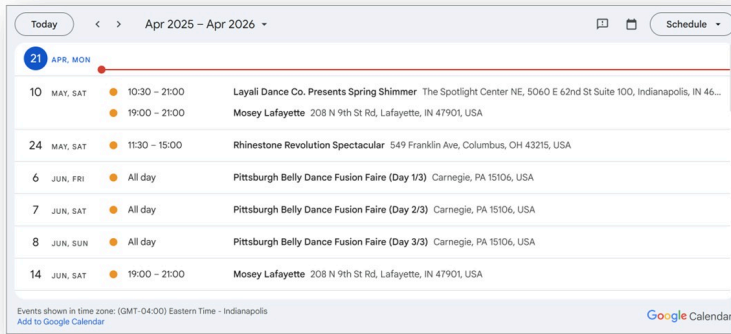
When purchasing your ticket, be sure to enter the code in the section shown in the image below.



Member Discount Code: INBC2025ALLURE

Get **\$5 off** the **2-Workshop Pack** (*Mejanse and Drum Solo* with Liah), and **\$5 off** the **All Workshop Pass**.

Check out more upcoming events via the [Calendar of Area Events](#) at the bottom of our website.



Want to suggest a belly dance or MENHAT-related event? [Click here](#) to submit it!

Note: Only special events like shows, workshops, and haflas will be published. Recurring group classes are excluded.

Nisreen Interviews Ashley Donaldson

PR Officer **Nisreen** sits down with the owner and director of **Allure Dance & Fitness, Ashley Donaldson**. With over 70 students and two belly dance troupes, Allure is one of the most successful belly dance studios in the state!

Ashley and Nisreen have a far-reaching conversation about Ashley's dance journey, the founding of Allure, her teaching philosophies, and more. She also shares insight into her signature **Latin fusion belly dance style!**

You can read the full interview in the Articles section of our website [here](#).

Visit Allure Dance & Fitness at alluredancefitness.com.

We hope you enjoyed this newsletter!

Wishing you a joyful spring filled with dancing. Stay safe and keep dancing!

Warm regards,

INBC Board Members

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