

Announcing **The Green Art Center**, a new concept of creative inspiration in North Collin County.

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We are pleased to introduce **The Green Art Center™**, the premiere Fine Performing Arts school in the nation, that is “green” in its essence.

The Green Art Center aspires to offer a unique environment where fine performing arts classes -- including, dance, drama, music, stage setting and custom design -- meet the European curriculum, philosophy and standards connected to what Nature has best to offer... *Inspiration!*

The Green Art Center has called North Collin County is home for its first targeted school opening in 2010.

Although the location and school building itself has not yet been determined, “Fast-growing surrounding cities of established Metroplex like Dallas, with a deep cosmopolite culture, clear support of “Green” initiatives, and family-driven is our prime target market, says Caroline Laporte, Founder and Artistic Director of The Green Art Center.

“I was awarded the 1988 Bronze Medal of the French National Conservatoire, and I had the privilege to study under the umbrella and curriculum of the Paris Opera”, adds Caroline. “At an early age, I was already part of the judges to audition new students to our conservatoire, I became professional ballet dancer at the age of 16, when I started to dance for print/commercial companies and for local and international ballet companies touring in South of France. I enjoyed the extensive Russian training I received from dancing with former Kirov’s dancers here, in Dallas. What I can relate to is the criticality of music and drama in any good ballet training. I know by personal experience, that I would rather dance to the music melody rather than counting the beats, and I am grateful to have received such a complete training in music, to keep me on track! I truly aspire to offer a similar standards of Arts education to families and communities of North Collin County.”, says Caroline.



“We are still very new in presenting the concept and already we are receiving a warm welcome from amazing artists such as Anne Royer and John Wynn. I am so thrilled to be working with such great artists at our summer camps. The synergy of all these talented minds coming together is just amazing”, says Mary Hellen, ballet teacher and certified Yoga teacher.

"Our mission is to offer performing arts classes to children and families in a natural, free-flow, inspiring environment. The Arts sophistication of Europe in a Texas-setting location."

The Green Art Center currently offers Ballet classes for children and adults at the Yoga Balance Studio in historic Downtown McKinney, thanks to the on-going support of owner and teacher, Tracy Carruth.

Our next summer camp will be held on July 13-17 at the old-charm Bird’s Nest, a renovated barn on 2-acre of rolling hills, in Melissa, TX. “When we say Arts with a “*View*”, we mean it” comments Monica Cowsert, owner of the Birds’ Nest, “Picture, ballet under the trees and guitar on the porch.”

The Bird’s Nest is a natural fit to host our summer camps, adds Caroline, it is such a peaceful retreat, meant for small weddings, corporate and families events; it does already have that cozy, one-on-one atmosphere. The children will love it, I know, us teachers, we already do!

For more information about The Green Art Center, visit www.TheGreenArtCenter.com.

For more information about the Bird’s Nest, visit www.nestingtimes.com

For more information about the Yoga Balance Studio, visit www.yogabalancestudio.com