

Outdoors @ The Wallis

***Dance Sundays with Debbie Allen & Friends
Returns to The Wallis for the Second Year!***

The Promenade Terrace becomes a free dance party for dancers and families of all ages every second Sunday of the month

**Sundays, October 9 through August 27, 2017
from 12pm – 1:45pm**

(Beverly Hills, CA October 6) When three-time Emmy Award-winner **Debbie Allen & Friends** launched **Dance Sundays** on the Promenade Terrace last season, more than 200 dance enthusiasts showed up to move to the rhythm of the salsa beat, nail some key tap dance moves and get down with some electric jazz dancing. Now, the Wallis Annenberg Center for the Performing Arts will launch its first full season of free dance lessons with Debbie Allen & Friends every second Sunday of every month beginning this Sunday, October 9 and running through August 27 from 12pm – 1:45pm (with the exception of the Oct 9 session from 10am – 12pm). First up will be Chris Scott leading a tap dance session especially geared to children (ages 6 +). Each event will focus on one style of dance, whether it's Hip-Hop, Flamenco, Tap or Tango, and each event is free to the public.

“Using our outdoor spaces creatively is something I am constantly exploring,” said Paul Crewes, The Wallis’ Artistic Director. “*Dance Sundays* and working with Debbie Allen are proven parts of this program. We’re so pleased to be able to work with her and present this talented and gifted group of friends every second Sunday throughout the year.”

A complete listing of events is below or visit The Wallis Dance Sundays’ website located [here](#).

SCHEDULE FOR DANCE SUNDAYS:

***Instructors to be announced closer to event date. Please check TheWallis.org/DebbieSundays for latest updates.*

October 9 **Tippy Tap with Chris Scott** (Ages 6+) – Come dance the rhythm! Join us for a fun and energetic class that will introduce young people to the rhythms and vocabulary of tap dance. Wear tap shoes or shoes that make noise!
10am – 12pm
***Please note: this session will be held at a special time from 10am – 12pm*

November 13 **African Dance** – This class welcomes all ages and levels to participate in an energetic union of music, dance and tradition of West Africa. Accompanied by live drummers.
12pm – 1:45pm

December 11 12pm – 1:45pm	Break the Floor Hip Hop – Join us for an introduction to Hip-Hop with a fun and energetic routine.
January 15 12pm – 1:45pm	Break the Floor Hip Hop – Join us for an introduction to Hip-Hop with a fun and energetic routine.
February 12 12pm – 1:45pm	Flamenco – Try something new in this introduction teaching the basic Flamenco dance technique. Wear shoes with a hard sole.
March 12 12pm – 1:45pm	Tango on the Terrace – Grab a partner and come explore the beautiful and dramatic style of Tango.
April 9 12pm – 1:45pm	Salsa Sunday (All ages welcome) – Attend a free family-friendly Salsa dance class taught by Debbie Allen and Lyrik Cruz from the Debbie Allen Dance Academy.
May 14 12pm – 1:45pm	Salsa Sunday (All ages welcome) – Attend a free family-friendly Salsa dance class taught by Debbie Allen and Lyrik Cruz from the Debbie Allen Dance Academy.
June 11 12pm – 1:45pm	African Dance – This class welcomes all ages and levels to participate in an energetic union of music, dance and tradition of West Africa. Accompanied by live drummers.
July 9 12pm – 1:45pm	Salsa Sunday (All ages welcome) – Attend a free family-friendly Salsa dance class taught by Debbie Allen and Lyrik Cruz from the Debbie Allen Dance Academy.
August 13 12pm – 1:45pm	Break the Floor Hip Hop – Join us for an introduction to Hip-Hop with a fun and energetic routine.

For more information about **The Wallis' 2016/17 season**, please visit <http://bit.ly/2aEsZ6l>.

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