March 17, 2020

Dear CYT families and supporters,

Thank you to everyone who has reached out to us over the past few days. Like all of you, we are watching the impact COVID-19 is having on our community, and the world at large. We take the safety of our teachers, staff, and performers very seriously and are making adjustments to our programming as needed as we receive local, regional, and federal updates.

The team at CYT has been working around the clock with our teachers, chapter coordinators, parents, schools, and local organizations to make these hard decisions as quickly as possible. Please check our website for the latest information and updates to our scheduled programming.

One thing we are excited about is that behind the scenes, we have been busy working on a virtual format option for all of our participants! We believe that we can still provide quality theater arts training that is vibrant, inclusive, imaginative, and uplifting right here from our CYT studios and delivered straight to your home! In fact we already had our first informational broadcast on our CYT TV platform: check out cyt.org/tv.

As a business, we are working to reinvent ourselves, cut costs, reduce overhead, and make sound financial decisions for the health and longevity of our programming. Like many other non-profits and for-profits alike, you can imagine the financial strain that this international emergency has put on us. As we move into uncharted territory, we want to take a moment to ask for your support. As a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, we rely on the generosity of donors and if you find yourself in a position to make a monetary donation, we would greatly appreciate it.

Go to cytsandiego.org/donate and select “COVID-19 Impact Relief” to donate. Thank you for your generosity!

Please also stay connected through our website and social media: @cytsandiego and finally, pray for us and for the arts community during this unprecedented time. We know we will have trouble in this world but we are trusting that the Lord’s provision is beyond anything we could imagine.

“I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world.” - John 16:33 NIV
“Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us.” - Ephesians 3:20 NIV

Many blessings to you and your families.

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