LUCIA MARTHAS
Institute for Performing Arts

RECREATIONAL DEPARTMENT PRIMARY SCHOOL GRONINGEN

WHO-WHAT-WHERE

2026-2027

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INTRODUCTION

Welcome to the Recreational department at Lucia Marthas Institute for Performing Arts (LMIPA). We believe that dancing is for everybody, regardless of their age, experience and background. We provide a broad variety of dance classes to all ages. In this WHO-WHAT-WHERE document, you will find all necessary information to join and enjoy our classes. If you still have questions after reading this document, don't hesitate to contact us – our team leader, coordinators, reception, and Marthas Pointers will be happy to help! The contents of this WHO-WHAT-WHERE document are as follows:

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SCHOOL TERMS AND THEMES

At LMIPA, an academic year is divided into school terms, each with their own color and own theme. Regular lessons take place from term A to D, and at the end of each term, their theme is concluded. School term E is dedicated entirely to a performance called the Eindpresentatie. At the beginning of each term, our pupils (from preschoolers to group 6) receive theme books (NED. “Themabooksz”) with exciting exercises to try at home. Don’t forget to bring your theme book to each lesson to collect Marthas Stickers and eventually receive the Topperdietop sticker certificate!

Term A	From the beginning of the dancing season until the autumn break	Theme: Language	This school term is blue to indicate a beginning, like all life began in the sea long ago, and like a bright blue sky brings a new day full of excitement. Pupils learn about their curriculum and their future skills, and often get to know new teachers and classmates.
Term A+	Autumn break	Vacation special	Autumn break schedule
Term B	From the first week after the autumn break until the Christmas break	Theme: Celebration	This term is red to symbolize assimilation, the warmth of getting together, like we would under a Christmas tree.
Term B+	Christmas break	Institute closed	We are closed. However, if you can’t sit still during the holidays, check out our WinterDays (more information on our website).
Term C	From the first week after the Christmas break until the spring break	Theme: On the road	This term is purple, because it combines blue and red; in the same way, we apply what we learned to create something new.
Term C+	Spring break	Vacation special	Spring break schedule
Term D	From the first week after the spring break until the May vacation	Theme: History	This term is green to signify growth and creation of new things. Students develop as artists and people, and are ready for new challenges that await them in term E.
Term D+	May vacation	Vacation special	May vaction schedule
Term E	From the first week after the May vacation until the summer break	Theme: View	The last term is yellow to symbolize harvest, the integration of everything students learned to present it all to the rest of the world as a full-grown artistic project.

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IMPORTANT DATES

This is an overview of important dates for the 2026-2027 school year. Holidays, specials, lessons and performances – everything you need to be aware of that's happening at Lucia Marthas Institute for Performing Arts. Don't miss anything – put these dates in your schedule!

TERM A	
04 October - 09 October	Theme conclussions
12 October - 18 October	Autumn break – regular schedule does not apply
14 October	Vacation special
TERM B	
05 December	Sinterklaas – revised schedule
07 December - 13 December	Open lesson week 1
12 December - 18 December	Theme conclussions
19 December - 03 January	Christmas break – institute is closed
02 January- 03 January	WinterDays for Elementary and Secondary Students (registration required)
TERM C	
13 February - 19 February	Theme conclussions
22 February - 28 February	Spring break – regular schedule does not apply
24 February	Vacation special
TERM D	
26 March	Good Friday – regular schedule
28 March - 29 March	Easter – institute is closed
05 April - 11 April	Open lesson week 2
19 April - 25 April	Theme conclussions
26 April - 09 April	May vacation – regular schedule does not apply
28 April	Vacation special
08 May	Vacation special
TERM E	
16 May - 17 May	Pentecost – institute is closed
02 June	Optional extra rehearsal of the Final Presentation 1
12 June	Optional extra rehearsal of the Final Presentation 2
14 June	Sing-ups opens for the 2027-2028 school year
23 June	Last day of classes for the 2026-2027 school year
25 June - 26 June	Optional Final Presentation Groningen
30 June	Last day of classes for the 2026-2027 school year
TERM E +	
09 August - 15 August	SummerSchool for Elementary and Secondary Students (registration required)

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LESSON DRESS CODE

At Lucia Marthas Institute for Performing Arts, we have a specific dress code for dance lessons to ensure optimal learning.

All lessons	Neat hairstyle keeping hair out of the face No jewelry
Toddlers and preschoolers	Ballet leotard | ballet unitard | tights Danceshoes with soft soles
Primary school	Black dancewear depending on dance styles Danceshoes

Recreational Department's pupils can purchase an exclusive dancewear package at marthasdancewear.nl with a first-time discount (applied automatically). This discount can be used within a month after registration. Scan the QR codes to check out the Marthas Dancewear lesson packages or visit www.marthasdancewear.nl to take a closer look.

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USEFUL INFORMATION AND TIPS

My Marthas Floor (Mijn Marthas Vloer)
Do you want to quickly and easily find more information about the school, read earlier announcements and stay informed about holiday and schedule updates? Then scan the QR code and get instant access to Marthas Floor – your central source of information. Whether you want to know more about the activities at your location and for your age group, or just revisit important announcements, Marthas Floor offers it all in one place.

Do you want to become a professional performing artist?
Do you want to elevate your passion for dancing, singing and acting to a new level? Lucia Marthas Institute for Performing Arts offers a variety of educational programs, ranging from preliminary education (Vooropleiding - VO) to secondary professional (mbo) and higher education (hbo). We designed our curriculum in steps that form a continuous learning trajectory spanning primary education and a master's degree.

Preliminary education trains primary and secondary school students to continue their education at the mbo and hbo levels. Our secondary professional education helps students become dancers and dance instructors, while our higher education programs prepare future performing artists and/or dance teachers.

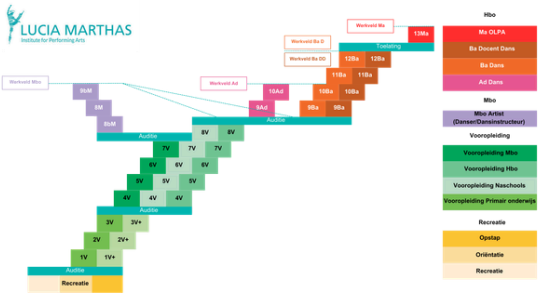
Preliminary education Groningen

Find the open day and audition dates for preliminary education Groningen below, and don't hesitate to contact us if you have any questions!

31 January 2027
Open day
Preliminary education | mbo | hbo

04 April 2027
Auditions for all ages

31 May – 06 June 2027
Possible extra audition



Commonly used abbreviations

MK	= Marthas Class (1 hour / week)
MPK	= Marthas Plus Class (2-3 hours / week)
MMK	= Marthas Musical Class (3 hours / week)
ADMV	= General Dance and Musical Development (dance and music lessons for preschoolers)
MAD	= Marthas Acrobatic Dance
MEDT	= Marthas Energy Dance Training
MELT	= Marthas Energy Latin Training
MEBB	= Marthas Energy Ballet Barre

CONTACT

Contact
Do you have questions or want to know more? We are always happy to help! Find our details below and don't hesitate to contact us about lessons, registration, and any other questions. Are you expecting to miss a lesson or to be absent for some time? Let us know by contacting the General Helpdesk.

Address

Main location
Recreational Department
Zernikeplein 7 | 9747 AS Groningen | 050 – 595 5454

General helpdesk
recreatie@luciamarthas.nl
020 - 676 1370
(daily during opening hours)

Financial helpdesk
facturatie@luciamarthas.nl

Head of Department
Kelly Timmers
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Prefer to contact us by phone? That's possible! On Wednesdays from 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM there is a Marthas Point telephone moment. Call or app to 06 - 15 59 09 26.

Website LMIPA | luciamarthas.nl
Marthas Talent Foundation | marthastalent.nl
Platform | luciamarthas.lifve.nl
Marthas Dancewear | marthasdancewear.nl
YouTube | luciamarthas_official
Facebook | luciamarthas
Instagram | luciamarthas_official
Tiktok | luciamarthas_official

For more information, scan the QR-codes below to see important documents and our digital platforms.

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Terms and conditions, Governance Code, Complaints procedure

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