

### A Message from the Artistic Director...

The studio has been busy with preparation for examinations as well as the June Show – what an exciting time of year! We ask parents to make sure they are staying up to date with newsletters and hand-outs. There will be important information about examinations, the vocational programme, and the June Show coming out in the next few months.

I want to express my gratitude to each and everyone of you for your support and dedication to our studio. Your commitment to the art of dance is inspiring and it is because of you that we are able to continue striving for excellence in everything we do.

I am delighted to announce that we will be holding our annual June Show performance at the Oakville Centre for the Performing Arts on Thursday June 6, Friday June 7 and Saturday June 8. There will be four shows total and students will be performing in two of four shows. There is more detail about which class is performing in each show on page two of the newsletter. Please read this carefully and make notes in your calendar.

Please note that consistent attendance in dance classes is crucial for progress and development. Regular participation helps improve technique, muscle memory and overall skill level. Missing classes can disrupt learning and hinder performance. Additionally, consistent attendance demonstrates commitment and dedication, which are essential qualities for success in dance and any other discipline.

Wishing you a wonderful remainder of the year filled with joy, success and memorable moments! May each day bring you closer to your goals and aspirations.



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### SUMMER PROGRAMMES AT BALLEATOMANE

- Starting March 1<sup>st</sup> we will be accepting registration for our Summer Programmes!
- The **Vocational Intensive** is for students entering/ participating in the Vocational Programme and summer school is mandatory.
- Whether or not with Balletomane, all students need to be doing intensive dancing for at least two weeks during the summer in order to be eligible for our vocational programme. There is absolutely NO EXCEPTIONS to this rule – so please do not ask! The **Vocational Intensive** is also open to students interested in trying a few different genres of dance.

#### **Vocational Intensive Summer School: August 12<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup>**

- We will group students accordingly by age and dance level

#### **Nursery & Primary Summer School : A Barbie Themed Summer Camp**

- July 8 – 12 and/or August 26 - 30 (Nursery is for 3 & 4 year olds; Primary is for 5 – 7 year olds)



### SENIOR STUDENT PAJAMA PARTY

- All students from Intermediate Foundation Dance Level and up are invited to our **'Senior Student Pajama Party'** at Balletomane.
- Students are invited to wear pajamas for an evening of games, movies and fun! Balletomane will provide pizza for all students but students are asked to bring one food item each such as desserts, vegetables, chips and beverages.
- Bring a great attitude, blankets, pillows and yourself! We look forward to this fun event and look forward to seeing all of our senior students.
- **Saturday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> from 6:30pm – 8:00pm**

### IMPORTANT DATES



- **Tuesday, March 5** – Term Fees Due
- **Saturday, March 9 – Sunday, March 17** – March Break – No Classes
- **Monday, March 18** – Classes return after March Break
- **Saturday, March 23** – Senior Student Pajama Party
- **Friday, March 29** – Good Friday – No Classes
- **Saturday, March 30** – Easter Saturday – No Classes
- **Monday, April 1** – Easter Monday – No Classes
- **Tuesday, April 9** -Term Fees Due & Second Half of Costume Payments Due
- **Monday, May 20** – Victoria Day – No Classes
- **Saturday, June 1** – Dress rehearsal for 'June Show A' - Time TBC
- **Sunday, June 2** – Dress rehearsal for 'June Show B' – Time TBC
- **Monday, June 3** – Show A Rehearsal at Balletomane
- **Tuesday, June 4** – Show B Rehearsal at Balletomane
- **Wednesday, June 5** – Technical Rehearsal at Oakville Centre for the Performing Arts
- **Thursday, June 6, Friday June 7 & Saturday, June 8** –Year-End Show

### OFFICE HOURS

- **Mondays:** 4:00PM to 6:00PM
- **Tuesdays:** 4:00PM to 6:00PM
- **Wednesdays:** 4:00PM to 6:00PM
- **Thursdays:** 4:00PM to 6:00PM

During this flu season, please remember to practice healthy hand washing. Please encourage students to wash hands before and after classes.

Please remember to take off all outdoor boots at the front door and leave in the shoe cubbies and on mats. It is impossible for me to keep the studio clean with dirty boots in change rooms. Absolutely no shoes in the building!

**RAD Ballet Exam Dates have been confirmed as April 4, 5 and 6. Times and information will be sent out shortly.  
ISTD Modern & Tap Exam Dates are April 19, 20 and 21. Times and information will be sent out shortly.**

**Please check your notes for a detailed schedule of extra classes as well as examination details!**

### **JUNE SHOW (Thursday, June 6, Friday, June 7 & Saturday, June 8)**

- As our registration policy indicates, students could be performing in one to four of our shows at the Oakville Centre. We have decided this year to have the Senior Show run across three days with a total of four shows.
- We also recognize that there are a few families that have split siblings in different shows, which is unavoidable, and we kindly ask for your understanding. Moving one piece often results in a domino effect for others.
- Please keep in mind to purchase as many tickets to performances as possible. Please support the students' performance.
- We have listed which classes will be performing in which shows / days well in advance (below), so that you have the maximum time to plan your availability / ticket purchases accordingly.
- Tickets for the show will be on sale in May 2024. Dates TBC

#### **Thursday, June 6<sup>th</sup> at 7pm Saturday, June 8<sup>th</sup> at 1pm**

Nursery Ballet (Mon)  
Nursery Ballet (Sat)  
Pre-Primary Ballet (Mon & Sat)  
Primary 1<sup>st</sup> Year Ballet (Sat)  
Primary 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Ballet  
Grade One Ballet  
Intermediate Ballet  
Advanced One Ballet  
Advanced Two Ballet  
Tap/Jaz Combo (Mon & Sat)  
Grade One Modern  
Grade Two Modern  
Intermediate Modern  
Advanced One Modern  
Advanced Two Modern  
Primary Tap  
Grade One Tap  
Inter 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Tap  
Inter & Adv 1 Contemporary  
Advanced Two Contemporary  
Primary to Grade Three Hip Hop  
Inter to Adv 2 Hip Hop  
Inter to Adv One Jazz  
Advanced Two Jazz  
Inter & Adv One Lyrical  
Adv Two Lyrical  
VB – A, B, C, D & E Levels  
VJM – A, B, C, D & E Levels

#### **Friday, June 7<sup>th</sup> at 7pm Saturday, June 7<sup>th</sup> at 7pm**

Primary 1<sup>st</sup> Year Ballet (Mon)  
Grade Two Ballet  
Grade Three Ballet  
Grade Four & Five Ballet  
Inter Foundation Ballet  
Advanced Two Ballet  
Primary/Tap Modern (Mon)  
Grade Three Modern  
Grade Four Modern  
Grade Five Modern  
Inter Foundation Modern  
Advanced Two Modern  
Grade Three and Four Tap  
Inter 1<sup>st</sup> Year Tap  
Grade 5 & Inter Found Contemporary  
Advanced Two Contemporary  
Boys Hip Hop  
Grade Four to Inter Found Hip Hop  
Inter to Adv 2 Hip Hop  
Grade 3 & 4 Jazz  
Grade 5 & Inter Found Jazz  
Adv Two Jazz  
Grade 5 & Inter Found Lyrical  
Adv Two Lyrical  
VB – A, B, C, D & E Levels  
VJM – A, B, C, D & E Levels

### **VOCATIONAL PROGRAMME AUDITIONS – SATURDAY, APRIL 13**

- All students interested in joining and continuing in the Vocational Programme for the 2024/25 dance season are required to attend the audition.
- Students are required to fill in an audition form that will be available one hour prior to the audition.
- This form will include which programme they are interested in auditioning for (Vocational Ballet, Vocational Jazz/Modern or both).
- New applicants are welcome to attend.
- Please arrive 30 minutes prior to your audition time.

**Date: Saturday, April 13<sup>th</sup>**

- **Primary 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Ballet and 7 years old to Grade Three Ballet (or equivalent):** 4:30pm to 5:30pm
- **Grade Four Ballet to Advanced Two Ballet (or equivalent):** 5:30pm to 6:30pm