

The Ballet Class

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Newsletter **November 2018**

Masterclasses with Jill Ogai

Jill Ogai, Soloist with The Australian Ballet, former student of The Ballet Class will be running Classical and Contemporary Masterclasses at The Ballet Class on **Sunday 11th November.**

9.00-10.00am Junior Classical Grades 3, 4 & 5

10.15-11.15am Junior Contemporary Ages 9-11

11.30-12.45 Senior Classical All Vocational Levels

1.00-2.15 Senior Contemporary Ages 12 and over

Junior Classes \$35 per class or \$60 for 2.

Senior Classes \$45 per class or \$80 for 2.

Bookings for these classes are essential, please email the office to confirm the classes you would like to attend, we will add the fee to your account.



Silver Celebrations

The Ballet Class is delighted to be celebrating it's Silver Anniversary this year and the theme of the Finale will reflect this wonderful milestone.

We are considering ordering t-shirts to celebrate.

The best price we can get is a selling price of \$25 per t-shirt. If you are interested in purchasing one please inform the office via email by Saturday 10th November.

If we don't get sufficient interest we won't be able to order these.

PLEASE ATTEND ALL YOUR REHEARSALS

Students who do not attend rehearsals regularly are making it very difficult for their teachers and fellow students. Please make it a priority to attend all rehearsals except under extreme circumstances.

We have such a short term to learn our concert work, every lesson is important!

TIMETABLE CHANGE IN WEEKS 7&8

Don't forget the timetable changes in Week 6 & 7, from Monday 19th November, for the last two weeks of Term 4. Please see the attached Casting List to find your lesson times.

Our End of Year Performance is Sunday 2nd December. Save the date!

Science Theatre UNSW, Kensington, Coppelia Ballet Performance 1.30pm

Senior Performance 5pm (includes all genres)

We are trying to keep costs down for all families, once again, this year there will be no increase on costume hire or tickets for the concert.

ADVERTISING IN THE CONCERT PROGRAMME

If you have a business that you would like to promote in our programme which is sold at the end of year concert please contact the office regarding advertising costs as soon as possible before we go to print.

CONCERT DRESSERS NEEDED

Parents, Friends, Families and Ex-Students of The Ballet Class should now inform the office if they would like to volunteer their help on the day of the concert. Maybe you could consider watching one concert and helping for the other. Senior students who are not involved in The Nutcracker should also consider helping the little ones get ready. Every year we struggle to get enough helpers so for the sake of your own children please help out!

MALE HELPERS NEEDED FOR UNLOADING TRUCKS/MOVING PROPS ON STAGE

CALLING ALL DADS AND OLDER BROTHERS TO HELP LOAD THE TRUCK THE DAY BEFORE THE CONCERT, UNLOAD TRUCKS ON THE MORNING OF THE CONCERT AND MOVE PROPS THROUGHOUT THE DAY.

DONATIONS FOR AUCTION, HAMPERS, LUCKY ENVELOPES AND RAFFLE NEEDED

If you have any items or vouchers you could offer for these please pass onto your teacher and bring any donations for the hamper down to the Church. If you are able to ask your local shops if they would like to donate something that would be very helpful.

FLOWER COLLECTION FOR THE TEACHERS

Each year the senior students collect money to present flowers to all our wonderful teachers. This year Gracie Hyde and her parents have set up an online collection page, an email will be sent soon to all parents with a link, if you are able to contribute please do so, she will be present in the last two weeks' rehearsals collecting cash also.

CUP CAKE DONATIONS NEEDED

Calling all bakers! Please let the office know if you are able to bake cupcakes to donate to our tuck shop on concert day. These can be dropped at our tuck shop at the Science Theatre any time during the day of the performance. Thank you

TICKET SALES

Adults - \$45, concessions - \$35, children under 16 - \$25 Please order your tickets in one of the following ways;

1. Place your cash/cheque in an envelope with your details i.e. student's name, performance details, breakdown/type of tickets and pass to a teacher.
2. Email credit card details together with your details i.e. student's name, performance details, breakdown/type of tickets to info@theballetclass.net.au

Your tickets will then be allocated with a next best seat policy and be available for collection at the Science Theatre.

PLEASE DO NOT TELEPHONE THE OFFICE - WE WILL NOT BE PROCESSING TICKET SALES OVER THE TELEPHONE

DVD ORDERS

If you would like to order your DVD of the end of year concert please do so now, these are \$55 and cover both Coppelia and the Senior Performance. You can deposit your payment into our account and send us an email to confirm you've done this or email your credit card details to us and we will process your order. Bank details can be found towards the bottom of this newsletter.

Personal photography and live recording is strictly prohibited and this is controlled by the Child Protection Act.

Term 4 fees are now overdue - the discounted period has now finished and the regular fee structure now applies. **ANY FEES REMAINING OUTSTANDING ON CONCERT DAY WILL RESULT IN YOUR CHILD'S COSTUME BEING WITHHELD UNTIL PAYMENT IS RECEIVED.** Payment by cheque will not be accepted on the day. Please avoid this embarrassing situation for all and pay your fees now.

Please ensure that when you make your payment you add the students name as a reference, thank you

2019 Eisteddfod Invitations

Eisteddfod Invitations have now been sent out. If you haven't received one and wish to participate please contact the office for Miss Christine's consideration. All students are required to participate in Group Eisteddfods to be considered for Solo Eisteddfod representation. If you are participating in Solo Eisteddfods you will need to book a private lesson, once the timetable has been set and emailed in a week or so please email your preferences to the office as soon as possible as these will be booked on a first come first served basis and do fill up very quickly.

DANCE WORKSHOP - JANUARY 2019

The holiday workshop was so successful this year we are delighted to offer this again in January 2019. Next year's workshop will run from 14th – 25th January and will include a variety of dance styles, singing and crafts. Details of the workshop are still being finalized and will be emailed to all students as soon as it has been completed. Our daily and weekly workshop rates are highly competitive and will remain the same as 2018, \$75 for 1 day or \$340 for the week. We are also running some Senior classes (timetables attached). Students wishing to book private lessons for syllabus coaching, eisteddfod work and variation coaching should contact their teacher who can inform them of possible times available.

7 Bridges Walk for Cancer Council

Thank you to everyone who sponsored Miss Christine, Miss Shelley or Clare.

Between us we raised \$4670!

The fundraising pages are still open so if you would like to sponsor 1 or all of us there is still time!

<https://sevenbridgeswalk2018.everydayhero.com/au/clare-bainton>

<https://sevenbridgeswalk2018.everydayhero.com/au/shelley-walks-the-7-bridges>

<https://sevenbridgeswalk2018.everydayhero.com/au/christine-atkinson>

THANK YOU

A big thank you to all the teachers and parents who assisted over the 6 days of our classical Royal Academy of Dance Examinations. Without all your help these would not run as smoothly as they always do.

A special big thank you Michelle Toblib who provided us with 3 amazing cakes for the Examiner's morning tea and afternoon tea breaks.

TERM 4 FEES ARE NOW OVERDUE

Term 4 fees of all nature are now overdue and have reverted to the regular fee structure. If your account is still outstanding please make arrangements to bring it up to date as soon as possible.

Payment Fee Structure

Discount Period – we offer a 10% discount on regular class fees if paid within the first 2 weeks of term (Excludes: Mums & Bubs, Pre School, Twinkle Toes & Angelina Ballerina classes, Eisteddfod Groups & Private Lessons)

Regular Period - Week 3 fees revert back to the regular structure.

Late Period – Week 5 any outstanding fees incur a 10% late fee

A reminder that one term notice is required if a student will not be continuing with their classes.

The Ballet Class Term Dates 2018

Term 4
End of Year Performance

Monday 15th October – Saturday 1st December
Sunday 2nd December

The Ballet Class Term Dates 2019

Summer Workshop

14th – 25th January inclusive

Term 1

Monday 4th February – Saturday 13th April

Easter Break

Friday 19th April – Monday 21st April

Autumn Holiday Vocational Exam

Classes and Autumn Workshop

Monday 15th April – Friday 26th April

Term 2

Monday 29th April – Saturday 6th July

R.A.D. Vocational 1st Session

Early June

Queens Birthday

Monday 10th June – no classes this day

Term 3

Monday 22nd July – Saturday 28th September

Extensive Classical Exam Classes

Monday 30th September – Sunday 13th October

R.A.D. Graded Examinations

Approximately Week 1/2 Term 4

Term 4

Monday 14th October – Saturday 30th November

End of Year Performance

Sunday 1st December

Eisteddfod Results

I'd Rather Be Dancing

Holly Bowes 11yrs Demi Character 1st

Ariel Solomon Demi Character 2nd

Holly Bowes 11yrs Contemporary 2nd

Victoria Wang 10+U Classical Championship 2nd

Victoria Wang 10+U Classical Open 3rd

Victoria Wang 10+U Demi Character Open 3rd

Olivia Lambert Classical 3rd

Holly Bowes Classical 3rd

St George

Victoria Wang Winner of the Nerider Bronner Memorial Perpetual Trophy

Victoria Wang Classical 11+12yrs 1st

Northern Beaches

Victoria Wang 11+U Demi Character Open 1st

Holly Bowes 11yrs Contemporary 1st

Holly Bowes 11yrs Classical Open 2nd

Holly Bowes 11yrs Demi Character Open 2nd

Daniella Weinstein 11yrs Demi Character Restricted 2nd

Victoria Wang 11+U Classical 2nd

Valentine Toussaint Classical Restricted 3rd

Ariel Solomon Demi Character 3rd

10+Under Classical Group HC

12+Under Contemporary Group HC

12+Under Classical Group HC

Sophie Lambert 11yrs Classical Restricted HC

Holly Bowes Demi Character Open 1st
Daniella Weinstein Demi Character 1st
Victoria Wang Demi Character 11+12yrs Open 2nd
Holly Bowes 10/11yrs Contemporary Restricted 2nd
Daisy Bowes 9/10yrs Classical 3rd
Holly Bowes 11/12yrs Junior Classical Championship 3rd
Ariel Solomon Demi Character HC
Daniella Weinstein 10/11yrs Contemporary HC
Victoria Wang Contemporary 11+12yrs Open HC
Holly Bowes 11+12yrs Classical Open HC

Expressions Eisteddfod

Valentine Toussaint Classical 2nd
Daisy Bowes Classical 1st
Daniella Weinstein Jazz Improvisation 1st
Valentine Toussaint 8yrs Classical 2nd
Kayla Fihrer Contemporary 2nd
Lucy Boyd-Clark Classical 3rd
Kayla Fihrer Classical HC
Carys Bainton 8yrs Demi Character HC
Daniella Weinstein Demi Character HC
Ava Warhaftig Demi Character HC
Daisy Bowes Demi Character HC

Dance Life Unite

Open Age Classical Group 1st

The Ultimate Dance Challenge

Daniella Weinstein 12&U Demi Character 3rd
Daniella Weinstein 12&U Lyrical HC
Daniella Weinstein 12&U Jazz Improvisation HC

British Dancing Association Eisteddfod

Arabella Kiefer Classical 1st

Energy Express Eisteddfod

Valentine Toussaint 8 yrs Classical 1st
Frederique Blann Classical 1st
Ivy Smith 10+U Classical 1st
Daniella Weinstein Lyrical Improvisation 1st
Daniella Weinstein 11yrs Demi Character 1st
Daisy and Ruby Tame Contemporary Duet 1st
Open Age Contemporary Group 3rd
Ava Warhaftig 11yrs Demi Character 3rd
Lucy Boyd-Clark Classical 3rd
Daniella Weinstein Contemporary Open 3rd
Mika Selden Classical HC
Daisy Tame Classical HC

Tali Whitten 11yrs Demi Character Restricted HC
Ava Warhaftig 11yrs Demi Character Restricted HC
Daisy Bowes Classical HC
Daisy Bowes Demi Character HC

Extreme Dance Competition

Open Age Classical Group 1st
Victoria Wang 11yrs Open Classical 1st
Daisy Bowes Classical 1st
Victoria Wang 11yrs Open Demi Character 2nd
Carys Bainton 8yrs Rest Demi Character 3rd
Ava Warhaftig Demi Character 3rd
Victoria Wang 11&U Contemporary 3rd
12+Under Classical Group 3rd
Layla Holland Classical HC
Holly Bowes 11yrs Contemporary Restricted HC
Holly Bowes 12yrs Classical Championship HC

City of Sydney Eisteddfod

12+Under Contemporary Group 1st
Victoria Wang Demi Character 1st
10+Under Contemporary Group 2nd
Holly Bowes 12 yrs Contemporary 2nd
14+Under Contemporary Group 3rd
Daniella Weinstein 11yrs Contemporary 3rd
Victoria Wang 11yrs Contemporary HC
Olivia Lambert 10 yrs Classical HC
Victoria Wang 11yrs Classical Finalist
Victoria Wang Wenkart Junior Ballet Scholarship HC

Ryde Eisteddfod

Victoria Wang 11yrs Classical 1st
Victoria Wang 11yrs Contemporary 2nd
Open Age Contemporary Group 2nd
Ava Warhaftig Demi Character 3rd
Victoria Wang 11yrs Demi Character 3rd
Holly Bowes 12yrs Contemporary 3rd
10+U Classical Group HC
Open Age Classical Group HC
14+U Contemporary Group HC
Holly Bowes 12yrs Classical HC
Holly Bowes 12yrs Demi Character HC
Victoria Wang Improvisation HC
Holly Bowes Finalist Junior Scholarship
Valentine Toussaint HC
Open Age Classical Group HC

The Ultimate Dance Challenge

Kayla Fihrer Contemporary 3rd