

SHORE DANCE

BIRKENHEAD DANCE STUDIO

Welcome to 2017 at Shore Dance!

We hope you all had a great Christmas and summer holiday. An especially warm welcome to all of our new students joining us this year. This newsletter contains information about the upcoming term and year, as well as some general information about Shore Dance specially for our new students and families. We hope you have a fantastic year at Shore Dance!



Welcome to our New Staff Members:

We have a lot of new staff members joining our team this year which is very exciting! A warm welcome to Stephanie Southan, Kezia Crawford, Hyde Sham, Caitlin Harsant, and Jadyn Burt. We are very excited to have you join us! And of course welcome back to Claire Esterman, Jo Smith, Thacia Van Arendonk and Catherine Coker. You can read all about our staff members later in the newsletter.

2016 Show DVDs:

We still have several show DVDs that have not yet been collected. These can be collected from the dance shop during its opening hours (Tuesdays 4:00-5:30pm, Thursdays 4:00-5:00pm Fridays 5:30-6:30pm and Saturdays 10:45am-12:30pm). If you are unable to come in during these times, please contact us to arrange an alternative time. If you have not yet made payment for your DVD, please do so as soon as possible.

2017 Calendar:

Term 1:

10th February: First day of term 1

7th March: Entries close for RAD Vocational May Exams

13th April: Last day of term 1

April School Holidays:

25th-28th April: Auckland Academy of Dance Vocational Seminar

Term 2:

1st May: First day of term 2

6th-7th May: Phoenix Dance Workshop in Hamilton

5th June: Queen's Birthday public holiday - no classes

14th-21st May: RAD Vocational Ballet Exams

9th July: Last day of term 2

July School Holidays:

17th-21st July: Shore Dance Exam Holiday Classes

Dates TBA: Auckland Academy of Dance Vocational Seminar

10th-14th July: New Zealand School of Dance Winter School in Wellington

Term 3:

24th July: First day of term 3

Between 26th July and 29th August: RAD Graded Ballet Exams (Dates TBA)

Between 6th & 20th August: RAD Vocational Ballet Exams (Dates TBA)

Dates TBA: AJDA Jazz exams

Dates TBA: NZAMD Tap, Contemporary & Hip Hop Exams

30th September: Last day of term 3

Term 4:

16th October: First day of term 4

23rd October: Labour Day - No classes

14th December: Last day of term 4

15th-17th December: End of Year Shows

2016 Show Photos:

Capture Photography have been working hard all summer editing the thousands of photos that were taken at our end of year shows. You can see some sneak peaks throughout our newsletter and we have also been posting some on our Facebook and Instagram. The galleries are now live and can be viewed by following these links. The password for both albums is 'shoredance'

Saturday "ABCDance Show":

<https://capturephotography1.shootproof.com/gallery/abcdance>

Sunday "Dancing Through the Decades Show":

<https://capturephotography1.shootproof.com/gallery/decades>

2017 Exams:

Students have the opportunity to enter examinations for ballet, jazz, tap, contemporary, and hip hop. These will be held during Term 3 of 2017. More information will be given out about entering exams at the end of term 1, as the exam entries are due at the start of term 2. Please note that students **must attend two syllabus classes per week from Grade 1 upwards** from the start of term 1 if they wish to enter an RAD ballet exam. Students **must attend two syllabus classes from Elementary Level 2 upwards** from the start of term 1 if they wish to enter an AJDA jazz exam.

NZAMD Hip Hop Syllabus:

This year, our hip hop classes will be based on the NZAMD Hip Hop syllabus, which means students will have the opportunity to work towards an exam in Term 3 if they would like to. Miss Thacia will be away for the first few weeks of term 1 (Miss Hyde will be relieving the hip hop classes until then) but when she returns in March, she will begin teaching this new work. We hope you enjoy it!

Term Fees:

You will have received an invoice for the term fees via email. These must be paid by the 24th of February. Term fees can be paid directly into our account (Shore Dance / 38-9008-0704687-00 / Kiwibank) with the student's name as the reference, by cheque (made out to Shore Dance), or by cash which must be handed in a named envelope to your teacher.

Absences:

If your child is unable to attend class due to illness or being away, please let us know by either emailing contact@shoredance.co.nz or sending a text message to 027 424 2444. If your child has an injury, they can still come along and watch the classes. This is particularly important for students who are working towards exams to make sure they do not miss out on anything.

Shore Dance on Social Media:

To join our Shore Dance Facebook page, simply visit www.facebook.com/shoredance and "like" our page. Our facebook page is a great way to keep up to date with everything going on at Shore Dance and to view photos of our latest events. You can also follow us on instagram: www.instagram.com/shoredance

The Dance Shop:

A list of the uniform items required for each class can be found on the last page of this newsletter. You can purchase your uniform items from our uniform shop located at the studios which is open during school terms only at the following times:

Tuesdays 4:00-5:30pm

Thursdays 4:00-5:00pm

Fridays 5:30-6:30pm

Saturdays 10:45am-12:30pm

Alternatively, you can purchase your dancewear online by visiting our online shop www.thedanceshop.co.nz.



Second Hand Uniforms:

We have recently launched a Facebook group where you can list second hand uniform items you would like to sell, and purchase second hand uniform items. You can join this group by following this link: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/shoredancesecondhanduniforms/>

Private Lessons:

If you would like to book a private lesson with one of our teachers, please email us to arrange this: contact@shoredance.co.nz. Private lessons cost \$25.00 per half hour lesson and are open to all students.

Water Bottles:

During Term 1, we always have really hot weather so it is important that students bring a water bottle with them to every class. Teachers will give the students water breaks during their classes to keep them hydrated. Please note that no food or sticky drinks are allowed in the studios.

Lost Property:

There is a large collection of lost property in the waiting room that was left at our studios last year. Please look through it during the first week of the term to make sure nothing belongs to you, as we will then be donating what is left to charity.

Housekeeping:

Please ensure that you place all rubbish in the rubbish bins provided. If you have take away coffee cups to dispose of, please can you take them down to the kitchen and empty out any left over liquid into the sink before placing in the rubbish bags. Please push the chairs back up against the wall once you are finished with them, and place toys and books back on the shelf when you are finished with them. We ask everyone to please respect our studios and waiting areas by keeping them tidy so everyone can enjoy the space.



Shore Dance Babies arriving soon!:

For those of you that are not aware, both Miss Josie and Miss Whitney are pregnant which is why they are not teaching this year. Miss Josie's baby is due in March, and Miss Whitney's in May so we will make sure we keep you posted with any news of baby arrivals!

Congratulations:

Congratulations to Grade 5 ballet student Grace Woodbury who received an award for the Most Improved Dancer at the Dance Masters International summer school in January. Well done Grace! It was lovely to see a few of



our students attending this summer school. It is such a great opportunity for dancers to attend workshops such as this one. Details on more workshops to come can be found below.

2017 Dance Workshops:

There are a range of opportunities for students to attend dance workshops and seminars throughout the year. Details can be found below, and you are welcome to contact us for more information:

Phoenix International Dance Workshop:

Open to all jazz students aged over 9 years

"Phoenix International Dance Workshop is a two day workshop featuring 5 top international choreographers. Classes for beginners, intermediate, and advanced levels in jazz, hip hop, lyrical, funk, musical theatre with a Performance by the Stars"

Dates: 6th-7th May

Venue: Fraser High School, Hamilton

Visit their website for more details: <http://www.ajda.co.nz/phoenix.html>





New Zealand School of Dance Winter School:

"New Zealand School of Dance Winter School is an annual five day course offering intensive tuition in a range of dance styles. Held in the first week of the winter school holidays, it is a fantastic opportunity for young dance students to learn from the faculty of the New Zealand School of Dance alongside some of the best national and international teachers available. Winter School is suitable for students working at the equivalent of RAD Grade 5 up to Solo Seal. It offers diverse new challenges, with classes offered in classical, contemporary and allied dance styles. The Royal Academy of Dance syllabus is offered as an optional extra - for that extra boost before exam time."

Dates: 10th-14th July

Venue: New Zealand School of Dance in Wellington
Visit their website for more details: <http://www.nzschoolofdance.ac.nz/events/winter-school>

Auckland Academy of Dance Vocational Seminars:

Compulsory for all Shore Dance students who are sitting RAD vocational exams this year.

"This seminar is designed to assist students who are preparing to sit their Royal Academy of Dance

examinations in 2017. It is suitable for all students from Intermediate Foundation to Advanced 2 who have a good working knowledge of the syllabus and in particular the respective variations for your level. Each level consists of the following classes;
30min dance pilates warm up
1.5hr classical syllabus class
1hr Virtuosity class which includes enchainment, allegro, pirouettes and the variations."

Dates: 25th-28th April and July holidays (dates TBA)

Venue: Auckland Academy of Dance studios, New Lynn
Visit their website for more details: <http://www.aucklandacademyofdance.co.nz/seminars/vocational-seminars/>

On the next few pages you will find some general information about Shore Dance, specially for our new students and families. We hope you have a fantastic year at Shore Dance! Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any queries.

email: contact@shoredance.co.nz

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Shore Dance Uniforms:

Pre-school / Pre-primary /

Primary Ballet:

- Lilac RAD regulation Chloe leotard (White short-sleeved leotard or tight fitting t-shirt for boys)
- Matching lilac wrap skirt (Navy blue shorts for boys)
- Pink leather Ballet shoes (white for boys)
- Pink ballet stockings or pink ballet socks (White short socks for boys)
- Lilac crossover cardigan (optional for winter)
- Hair should be pulled back off the face and tied into a ponytail or bun (lilac headband and scrunchie are optional)



Grades 1-2 Ballet

- Pale blue RAD regulation Aimee leotard
- Pink leather ballet shoes with elastic
- Pink ballet stockings
- Black character skirt with blue ribbons
- Black canvas low heel character shoes
- Blue crossover cardigan (optional in winter)
- Hair should be pulled back off the face into a classical bun



Grades 3-5 Ballet:

- Navy blue RAD regulation Faith leotard
- Pink leather ballet shoes (ribbons from Grade 4 upwards)
- Pink ballet stockings
- Black character skirt with blue ribbons
- Black canvas cuban heel character shoes
- Navy Crossover Cardigan (optional in winter)
- Hair should be pulled back off the face into a classical bun



Grades 6-8 Ballet:

- Black RAD regulation Jane or Bronwyn leotard
- Pink leather ballet shoes with ribbons
- Pink ballet stockings
- Black character skirt with blue ribbons
- Black canvas cuban heel character shoes
- Black Crossover Cardigan (optional in winter)
- Black chiffon skirt may be worn for centre work
- Hair pulled back off the face into a classical bun

Vocational Ballet Grades:

- Black RAD regulation Jane or Bronwyn leotard
- Pink leather ballet shoes (Intermediate Foundation)
- Pink satin demi-pointe shoes (Intermediate upwards)
- Pink ballet stockings
- Satin Pointe Shoes
- Black crossover cardigan (optional in winter)
- Hair in a classical bun



Contemporary Classes:

- Black Shore Dance t-shirt or singlet
- Black Shore Dance 3/4 V-waist leggings
- Black Crossover Cardigan (optional in winter)
- Hair should be pulled back off the face into a ponytail (black headband and scrunchie are optional)
- Bare feet or footies (optional)

Jazz Classes:

- Black Shore Dance t-shirt or singlet
- Black Shore Dance 3/4 V-waist leggings
- Black Crossover Cardigan (optional in winter)
- Hair should be pulled back off the face into a ponytail - (black headband and scrunchie are optional)
- Black jazz shoes (any style)



Tap Classes:

- Black Shore Dance t-shirt or singlet
- Black Shore Dance 3/4 V-waist leggings
- Black Crossover Cardigan (optional in winter)
- Hair should be pulled back off the face into a ponytail (black headband and scrunchie are optional)
- Black simply tap shoes



Hip Hop Classes:

- Black Shore Dance t-shirt or singlet
- Own black pants
- Own street shoes

Adult Classes:

No uniform requirements - please wear any clothing you feel comfortable dancing in. Shoes are optional but recommended to enhance your dance experience.

Introducing our Shore Dance Staff for 2017:

WHITNEY FEATHERSTONE

Whitney Featherstone established Shore Dance in 2008. She grew up in Palmerston North, training at the Maureen Ax School of Dance in ballet and jazz since the age of 3. In 2006, she moved to Auckland to complete a at AUT University, for which she received Academic Scholar award in 2009. During this time, she also completed her RAD Advanced 2 examination and became a Royal Academy of Dance Registered Teacher. Whitney has achieved her NZAMD Solo Diploma in both jazz and ballet, and is now a registered NZAMD and AJDA teacher, living with her husband and son on the North Shore.



STEPHANIE SOUTHAN

Stephanie was born and raised in Auckland learning to dance at various local dance schools. She first trained at a young age in tap dancing before also studying ballet, jazz and contemporary dance styles. She graduated with a Bachelor of Dance from AUT University in 2009, where she also became a Royal Academy of Dance Registered Teacher. During this time she completed her RAD Advanced 2 Ballet and NZAMD Advanced Jazz exams. She currently lives in West Auckland with her husband and is looking forward to sharing her passion of dance with her students.



KEZIA CRAWFORD

Kezia Crawford was born and raised in Zimbabwe, and it was here, at the age of 3, that her dance journey began. She studied classical ballet, working through the RAD levels and eventually joining the National Ballet of Zimbabwe in their junior programme at the age of 13. She danced with the National Ballet of Zimbabwe for 5 years, in that time making her way up to the senior company, before leaving Zimbabwe in 2005 to move to New Zealand. Here, she completed her RAD Teaching Certificate and Bachelor of Dance at AUT University, graduating as Top scholar in 2007. After completing a one year internship with DANZ, she continued to focus on teaching at Devonport School of Dance, where she had completed her Advanced 2 and teacher training. She has been teaching for Christine Snowball at Devonport School of Dance for the past 10 years, offering classes in both RAD ballet and NZAMD Contemporary. She is really looking forward to joining the Shore Dance family and meeting all the wonderful students she has heard so much about!



HYDE SHAM

Hyde is an RAD and AJDA registered teacher who is passionate about helping young dancers reach their potential. After finishing her technical training with Advanced 2 in RAD ballet and Advanced 3 (solo seal) in AJDA jazz, she went on to dance professionally both domestically and internationally, having completed 2 nationwide tours along with contracts in Singapore and Hong Kong. All through her career as a dancer, she honed her skills to pass on her knowledge by teaching at different dance schools, both in New Zealand and Singapore. Her teaching credits include past students who have gained top AJDA jazz exam results nationally, and past students who are now working professionally in the dance industry, here and abroad.



CATHERINE COKER

Catherine began Dance at the age of 3 with Ballet and in later years she began Contemporary and Jazz. She trained for 3 years at Whitireia Polytechnic gaining a Degree in Performing Arts majoring in Commercial Dance. While studying there Catherine added Hip Hop and Tap to her Repertoire. While studying Catherine performed in the Wellington Musical Societies rendition of the popular musical - Grease. She appeared as one of the main cheerleaders which later became a reality. After she graduated she spent six months in India performing in Bollywood music videos and films. She toured with the Punjab Kings XI as a cheerleader in the IPL cricket tournament. Catherine then spent seven months in Mexico working at the resort Royal Solaris where she learnt Latin dance and performed in five shows per week featuring some of her own choreography. She has choreographed for her own show in Wellington and in dance school graduation performances. She recently choreographed for the earth hour show at the Resort in Mexico. Catherine has also taught dance for just over a year at a local Wellington dance studio teaching various styles.



THACIA VAN ARENDONK

Thacia has advanced training in the genres of jazz, ballet, hip hop, contemporary, lyrical and tap. She began dancing at the age of three, and spent her entire school life competing in solo competitions all around NZ. Thacia has received distinction in 26 dance examinations, as well as the top mark in NZ for three jazz examinations, including Advanced Solo. She has competed twice in the World Hip Hop Championships in LA and Las Vegas, and has won numerous championships within New Zealand. She also has experience in examining the BBDS Hip Hop syllabus examinations. Thacia taught and choreographed at Amjazz Dance Studios in Rotorua for 6 years, and was a member of a professional dance troupe, Amjazz Creative. She also has vast experience in musical theatre, singing, guitar, and speech and drama, with a Trinity Guildhall ATLC Diploma in Performing Speech and Drama with Distinction. Thacia is currently studying a Bachelor of Law and Commerce at the University of Auckland. She is looking forward to sharing her knowledge and expertise of dance with the students at Shore Dance, and hopes to inspire the enjoyment and passion that dance and performance brings.



CLAIRE ESTERMAN

Claire Esterman was born and raised in Tauranga where she trained and competed in Ballet, Jazz and Contemporary dance from a young age. In 2012 she passed her RAD Advanced two ballet exam with distinction and received her NZAMD Jazz and Contemporary solo seal. After leaving high school she attended the New Zealand school of dance in Wellington as a contemporary dance Major. She now lives and studies in Auckland and is looking forward to sharing her love of dance with students at Shore dance.



JADYN BURT

I am a contemporary dance graduate from the New Zealand School of Dance. I have recently co-founded Fish and Fox - a collective based on performance, collaboration and events... look us up on facebook to see what we do! I work out of my own massage and yoga studio in Devonport: jady n lily Bodywork. From here, I also teach private dance classes, and am more that happy to work with you to build strength, endurance and flexibility to complement your dance training. I have performed professionally in Tempo Dance Festival, Wellington Fringe Festival and World of Wearable Art Show. This Summer Fish and Fox are performing and teaching contemporary dance and hula workshops at Splore Festival!!! I really look forward to



meeting you all!!!

JO SMITH

Jo started ballet at 4 and tap at age 5. She received Honours in all her examinations. (BBO ballet through to Grade 5 and BBO Tap in all levels including the coveted Solo Seal. Jo competed from the age of 6 in NZ Tap Competitions (for around 10 years) mostly in the lower half of the North Island, She also danced in the Lotto Ads, and performed in 42nd Street whilst living in Wellington. She has worked as a tour leader throughout many countries around the world, and as a Police Officer, however after having her own wee girl, has decided she rejoin the dance scene. She has spent the last few months training and brushing up on the NZAMD American Tap Syllabus, as well as taking relief tap classes at friend's dance schools. She has a huge passion for tap dancing, especially being able to make so much noise with her feet!! A skill she feels everyone will love!! Dancing is a passion she looks forward to sharing with her own little girl, as well as the students at Shore Dance.



CAITLIN HARSANT:

Caitlin was born and raised in the beautiful Coromandel Peninsula where she completed the majority of her dance training in Jazz, Classical Ballet, Contemporary and Latin Ballroom styles. She joined the Thames Hauraki Ballet Theatre at age 6 where she completed her RAD Classical Ballet syllabus through to an advanced level. After finishing her ballet training, she went on to achieve her NZFTD Bronze Latin Medal with high honours. Caitlin moved to Auckland in 2013 with an eagerness to become involved in the local dance community. She begun privately tutoring young ballerinas in the lead up to their exams, before going on to develop and teach the 2016 children's dance programme for the YMCA in Ellerslie. Caitlin enjoys the creative challenge that comes with working with young dancers, and enjoys teaching dance classes that incorporate the core foundations of movement and dance, whilst also providing an opportunity to use imagination and creative expression. She is very excited to be joining the Shore Dance team in 2017, and cannot wait to share her passion with the youngest members of the Shore Dance family.



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