



Bella DANCE ACADEMY

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From the Directors



Spring is definitely here! The days are getting longer, the sun is shining brightly, and the snow is quickly melting.

We are all looking forward to the year end show, registration for our summer classes, and our 2019/2020 season! There will be a lot of information sent out over the next few weeks regarding the year end show – so, please make sure you are carefully reading studio emails, making note of important dates, and asking

questions when needed! There will be an information session for parents at the end of the month, so please do your best to attend!

Happy April!

Miss Phoenix and Miss Lina



Costume Pick Ups (April 22th - April 27th)

We are so excited for Costume Pickup Week!

Dancers can come pick up their costumes at the following times:

Monday between 5:00 and 7:00

Tuesday between 5:00 and 7:00

Friday between 5:00 and 7:00

Saturday between 11:00 and 1:00

When dancers come to pick up their costume, they should be wearing tights and a bodysuit (any colour!). They will have an opportunity to try their costumes on to ensure proper fit before they take them home.

Dancers will have a Costume Label for each class they are in. These labels have very important information regarding Dancer Requirements for the year end show, dates and time for pictures, and rehearsal times at NACC. Please take a picture of each label (just in case!) and keep the label with their costumes! Please note that schedules are updated on our website as well!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

April

- Monday 1st Studio & Office Reopen
- Monday 1st 9 Week Session #3 Begins (runs until June 1st)
- Thursday 11th One Day Camp
- Friday 12th One Day Camp
- Thursday 18th One Day Camp
- Thurs 18th – Sat 20th Studio and Office Closed for Easter Weekend
- Monday 22nd Studio & Office Open (Easter Monday)
- Mon 22nd – Sat 27th Costume Pick Up Week (exact times TBA)
- Mon 29th – May 4th Student Observation Week/Parent Participation & Info Session (for annual classes)

May

- Friday 3rd One Day Camp
- Sat 11th - Sun 12th Year End Photos
- Friday 17th One Day Camp
- Monday 20th Studio closed for Victoria Day
- Wed 22nd – Thur 23rd Priority Registration for Returning Students (Current Students can Register for the 2019/2020 season)
- Wednesday 29th Open Registration for the 2019/2020 Season begins

June

- Saturday 1st Last day of annual classes
- Saturday 1st Last Day of Classes for 9 Week Session #3 – Presentation Class
- Sun 2nd – Sun 9th Year End Performance Week @ NACC
- Monday 10th Student Appreciation Day @ Civic Plaza 4:00 – 7:00 pm
- Tues 12th – Tues 18th Studio Closed for Recital Recovery Week
- Wed 19th Summer Office Hours Commence (Wednesdays 4:30 – 8:30 pm)

Parent Observation & Information Week

Attendance Important!

(April 29th - May 4th)

This is the last chance to visit your child's dance class this season! During the class, we will review make-up and hair requirements, schedules, and answer any questions regarding the year end show.

In some classes, we may not actually get to do very much dancing, but the students will have a chance to show you one or two of their favourite exercises... and depending on time, we may ask you to step out so we can practice our year end dance (so it will be a surprise for you at NACC!)



**Picture Day is
May 11th & 12th!**

We will be welcoming
Caitlin from
Caitlin Cleveland Photography
back to the studio to photograph
all of the students again this year.

Order forms will go home later
this month, and will also be
available online.

Farewell to Miss Kierney

Staff, students, and families of Bella Dance Academy are sad to have said goodbye and good luck to **Miss Kierney Leach** who moved south this month!

Miss Kierney taught at the studio for nearly three years, bringing experience, passion, and joy to her students. She has been involved with the Nutcracker every season, and brought the Sugar Plum Fairy to life, both as a dancer and choreographer.

This season, she worked with our competition team and has choreographed many pieces that will continue to compete this season.

Miss Kierney was an active member of our Bella Dance community and we will miss her! We can't wait to see her back in Yellowknife for workshops in the future!

**Best wishes on your next adventure
Miss Kierney!**



Sending very special Bella birthday
wishes to

**Deanna, Simone
and Miss Phoenix**

this month.

We hope you all have the best time
celebrating your special day and
embark upon your very best year!

Happy Birthday!



Adult Sampler @ BDA

Learn a new style of dance every 3 - 5 weeks. Adults of all levels can register for the full year or by individual session.

Mondays 7:00 - 8:30 pm

April 1 - April 22Contemporary

April 29 - May 13.....TBA

Season Registration - \$111 (GST included) per month (September - May),
or by session: 3 weeks - \$95, 4 weeks \$127, 5 weeks \$158 (plus GST).

9 Week Session

The perfect way for your little one to be exposed to a positive, engaging and creative dance experience – for families with changing schedules, who are unable to commit to a full season of dance, who do not wish to participate in the year end show or for those junior students wanting to add a second class in a smaller proportion. We have something for everyone!

Our next session runs April 1 - June 1, 2019

Register NOW! Space is limited, so please register ASAP to ensure your space in these popular programs!

One-Day Camps

Dancing, Singing, Acting, Arts, Crafts, Games and more!

Ages 6 -11

Camp Runs: 9:00 am (drop off 8:30 - 9:00)

and will run until 4:00 pm (pick up between 4:00 - 4:30)

One healthy snack and water will be provided. Students are required to bring a small snack, a sack lunch, and water bottle every day. A half hour lunch and two fifteen minute breaks will be given. We may have one outdoor activity per day – students must dress for the chilly weather!

\$59 (per day) Pre-Registration is required, and all prices are subject to GST.

Thursday, April 11th

Friday, April 12th

Thursday, April 18th

Friday, May 3rd

Friday, May 17th



STUDENT OF THE MONTH

**Matsu
Robson-Hamilton**

Congratulations to our Student of the Month - Matsu Robson-Hamilton

Matsu started dancing in our Mini Movement classes when he was only 2 years old! Matsu's favourite thing about being at the dance studio is participating in his class and performing in the Nutcracker.

His ballet class helps him build strength, increase flexibility and helps him with other activities like skateboarding and skiing! His favourite exercise is petits jetés and spring points, because it is fun and challenging.

When Matsu isn't at the studio, he enjoys being creating art and making comic books. Matsu is a man of many talents - he has even taken a samurai sword lesson in Japan this year!

Congratulations Matsu - we are so very happy to be dancing with you!

Keep up the great work!



SUMMER DANCE CAMP

Registration opening soon
Save the Date!
May 11th

Visit us at the Spring Trade Show for our Summer Special deal...

Dance Intensive Day Camp

(Ages 6-11)

July 8th - 12th

August 6th - 9th (4 day camp)

A fun, high energy sampler of different dance styles! This week is packed full of fun, action, strengthening, conditioning, and dance, dance, DANCE!

Come and try out various dance styles, with all levels of dancers. Your week long adventure will include: Jazz, Ballet, Hip Hop, Broadway, Contemporary, Rhythm, Stretch & Strength, and end with an in-studio performance.

Camps begin at 9:00 am (drop off 8:30 - 9:00 am) and run until 4:00 pm (pickup between 4:00 and 4:30 pm). One healthy snack and water will be provided. Students are required to bring one small snack, a sack lunch, and a water bottle every day. A half hour lunch and 2 fifteen minute breaks will be given.

Triple Threat Day Camp

(Ages 6-11)

July 2nd - 4th (4 day camp)

July 15th - 19th

July 22nd - 26th

July 29th - August 2nd

August 12th - 16th

August 19th - 23rd

August 26th - 30th

Have fun singing, dancing, and acting in this week long musical theatre dance camp! What an exciting way to build self-confidence and valuable team working skills! The week will end with a performance for family and friends.

Camps begin at 9:00 am (drop off 8:30 - 9:00 am) and run until 4:00 pm (pickup between 4:00 and 4:30 pm). One healthy snack and water will be provided. Students are required to bring one small snack, a sack lunch, and a water bottle every day. A half hour lunch and 2 fifteen minute breaks will be given.



Dance Competition Results

A HUGE shout out to our Bella Beats Competition Team for a very successful week at **Synergy Dance Competition** on Vancouver Island last month!

The team danced amongst some very talented performers, studios and performance companies and were FABULOUS! We are so proud of the BDA team - staff and students and forever thankful for our dance family and the ongoing support of the YK community! Congratulations to everyone!

Thank you to all of our dancers, dance families, BDA instructors, choreographers, chaperones, and instructors for their ambition, creativity, hard work, support and passion! We are so proud and can't wait to head back to BC at the end of April!

To see detailed competition results, please visit our Parent Information Group on Facebook. You will be so impressed - they were amazing - danced so beautifully and placed so well amongst tough competition! (Can you tell we are proud?!?)