

PROJECT DANCE

Competitive Student Newsletter

January 2012

A Word from the Director:

Happy New Year to all of our wonderful Project Dance families!

I hope that whatever you did over Christmas, whether it was spent enjoying time with family and friends, travelling, or remembering those important to you past and present, that you had a chance to relax and rejuvenate.

2012 is going to be an awesome competitive year at Project Dance! The teachers are all so impressed with the hard work and dedication shown by this year's students, and we look forward to a fulfilling and successful competitive season - which starts in just one month, beginning with the annual Chilliwack Lions Music and Dance Festival. Thanks to all the parents who have been so helpful in so many ways over the past few months, as we continue to grow in numbers and talent.

Amanda Quinton

Owner/Director - Project Dance

Dates Set for Pre-Comp and Solo/Duo Shows

The dates have now been confirmed for the Company Preview (Pre-Comp) and Solo-Duo shows. These shows provide a great opportunity to hit the stage before the competitions begin! **The Company Preview Show** will take place at the Chilliwack Cultural Centre Sunday, January 29 at 3:00 pm. Dancers are required to be there by 1:00 pm.

Solos and duos will not be a part of the the above pre-comp show. There are too many to include in one show, and it is important that the dancers get an opportunity to perform their numbers onstage prior to the first completion.

The Solo/Duo Show will take place Friday, February 3 at GW Graham School at 6:00 pm. Dancers are required to be there by 4:00 pm.

Tickets will go on sale soon and are available through the Chilliwack Cultural Centre at www.chilliwackculturalcentre.ca Both will be great shows, so we hope to see as many family members and friends as possible come out and support our talented competitive dancers!

Important Dates

Sat., Jan. 21 - Competition run-through at Project Dance. Mandatory!

Wed., Jan. 25 - Company Preview Show Dress Rehearsal - Chwk Cultural Centre 3:00 - 9:00 pm (exact times TBA)

Sun., Jan. 29- Company Pre-Comp. Preview Show - Chilliwack Cultural Centre. 3:00 pm

Fri., Feb. 3 - Solo and Duo Show - GW Graham School Theatre 6:00 pm

Fri., Feb. 3 - Chilliwack Music and Dance Festival begins

March - Competitive Student Pictures
Exact time and date to be announced

March 2012 - Surrey Dance Festival
Surrey Arts Centre

March 19-23 - Spring Break. Studio closed.

Fri., Apr. 6 - Good Friday. Studio closed.

Sat., Apr. 7 - Studio open.

Mon., Apr. 9 - Easter Monday. Studio closed.

April 17-22 - Synergy Dance Festival
Bell Centre, Surrey

April 30 - May 13 - PACWEST Dance Festival
Massey Theatre

May 5 - 10 PEAK Invitational -
Abby Arts Centre

May 21-28 - Dance Power - Maple Ridge Act Theatre

Mon., May 21 - Victoria Day. Studio open

June - Year-End Shows Chwk Cultural Centre

Payments Due

A reminder that your 3rd payment for competition solo and duo fees is **Tuesday, January 3rd**.

The third payment for competition group fees is due **Monday, January 16th**.

These fees have already been made to the various competitions along with the entry forms and Project Dance requires reimbursement from you as soon as possible.

Thank you for your cooperation.

A Note from the Parent Committee

Thank you to all the families who took part in the pre-Christmas fund-raising activities!

The parent volunteers have spent countless hours tallying and designating amounts to the student accounts.

The accounts will be credited shortly - thank you for your patience.

Happy New Year, and look for more fund-raising opportunities coming up soon!

Angela Conner, PD Parent Committee Pres.

Ballet Corner

Jan 12 - Exam/Presentation Class Forms and Fees Due

Jan 22 - 1st Mock Exam Times

Grade 1 - 11:30 – 12:45

Grade 2 - 12:45 – 2:00

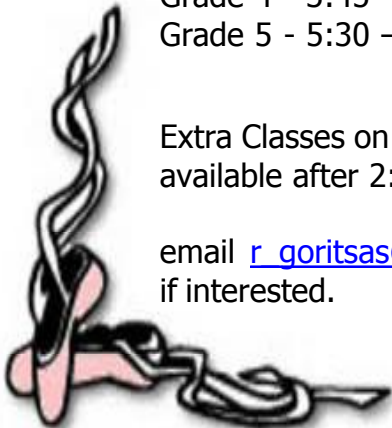
Grade 3 - 2:15 – 3:45

Grade 4 - 3:45 – 5:15

Grade 5 - 5:30 – 7:00

Extra Classes on Saturdays available after 2:00 pm.

email r_goritsas@hotmail.com if interested.



Instructor Profile

Tia Haraga

Tia grew up dedicating her life to the art of dance. She competed and trained with an outstanding dance family, reaping awards and scholarships across the lower mainland and United States.

Stepping her feet into the professional world, she has been very busy with an exciting and freshly blooming career as a working dancer and choreographer. She is known for her very current L.A. styles and quirky yet powerful dances.

Tia has won scholarships and caught eyes from renowned teachers such as Blake McGrath, Shannon Mathers, Kelly Konno, and Twitch. From movies to music videos, she is very motivated to keep her dance life exciting and inspirational day by day. She hopes to bring the joy of dance to everyone around her, and to show everyone you should never give up on your dreams!

Credits include: Marianas Trench, So You Think You Can Dance (Toronto Finals), (2011) Sucker Punch featuring Vanessa Hudgens, Joani Taylor and crazy 8s film festival.



Tia Haraga