

2 0 1 2 F A L L E D I T I O N the Cumbrae School of Dancing

NEWSLETTER

✧ Welcome Back! ✧

We hope you have all had a wonderful summer, and would like to welcome everybody back to the studio. It has been a fantastic first few weeks back, and we hope that everyone is enjoying their classes!

CUMBRAE KIDS ARE DOING GREAT THINGS!!

We have a lot to be proud of these days at the studio. On September 30th, The Alberta Ballet auditioned young dancers for roles in their upcoming production of 'The Nutcracker'. Five Cumbrae students were chosen to be a part of the production that will be held at The National Arts Centre in December. Chloe DeGiacomo will be playing the role of a soldier. Megan Evraire and Hanna

Moy will portray the mice, and Emma Rizok and Breanna Sirois the rats.

The Nutcracker will run from December 5th to the 9th in the NAC Southam Hall.

Congratulations dancers!



Workshops

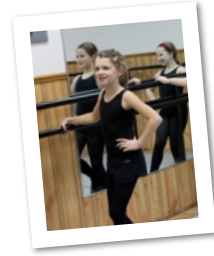
Cumbrae has been hosting a variety of workshop classes recently. In September, Chloe Arnold gave an incredible tap class to our dancers, and to other dancers in the city. In August, The Kirov's Igor Petrov taught two Master ballet classes. Please check our website or follow us on Facebook or Twitter to find out about more upcoming workshops.

Summer Intensives

This summer, Madison McColl was one of 25 dancers chosen on a Nationwide audition tour to take part in Ballet Jorgen's summer intensive.



If you or your child are interested in auditioning for various ballet company intensives, please email amberharvie@cumbraedance.com, or check out our website for up to date information.



BATD Scholarships

MARK YOUR
CALENDARS!

NOV.11
First R.A.D.
Sunday Exam
Class Grades
Primary-Grade 2

DEC 17-22
Open House
Week

DEC 23-JAN 5
No Classes
Winter Break

MARCH 11-16
No Classes
March Break

MAY 31/JUN 1
Recital 2013

Cumbræ had 21 Scholarship invitees this year, many of which were dual scholarships! So.... once again, our girls will be traveling to Toronto at the end of this month to participate in the BATD Eastern Ontario Scholarship event. Students are invited based upon the results of their Jazz, Modern, and Tap examinations. Those who exceeded their

'honours' standing are then chosen by the BATD examiner for this event.

Congratulations to Madi McColl, Victoria Linton, Isabelle Belanger, Chloe DeGiacomo, Megan Evraire, Valerie Fortin, Tiaran Sinkus, Arden Streib, Andr  a Brabant,   milie Miller, Amanda Cossette, Katie Over, Jana Hudson, Gabrielle Lowe, and Camille Leroux. Good luck dancers!



CAMP PULSE & PULSE!

Once again, we will be taking part in The Pulse workshop in Toronto! 'The Pulse', and newly added 'Camp Pulse' are wonderful workshop

experiences for children aged 8+. So far 27 Cumbr   students are going! It's going to be a blast!!

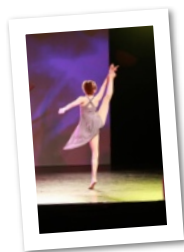
OPPORTUNITIES AT THE PULSE

Over the course of the weekend, scholarships to future workshops are awarded to exceptional students and teachers. Last year, Olivia Makara was awarded a full scholarship, Nelda Cherrier was given a leadership award, and Meghan Baker was awarded a full scholarship

to The Pulse Teacher's conference in NYC.

PULSE PERFORMANCE

Another great aspect about the weekend is that senior students get to perform at The Pulse Showcase for Faculty, students and parents! Dancers love this opportunity to get on stage in such a friendly environment!



Cumbræ Alumni

Many of the students that have passed through Cumbræ doors have gone on to do wonderful things in the dancelarts community. From dance companies to the Broadway stage, Cumbræ alumni are always making us proud!

This edition, we introduce to you....



MELISSA JANE SHAW

Born in Nova Scotia, and raised in Ottawa, MJ is an actor, choreographer and dancer now based out of Toronto. A Cumbræ student for 10 years, MJ received her membership teacher's certification in BATD tap and jazz, and holds her Intermediate RAD level of ballet. She has since gone on to do wonderful things in the arts community!! Melissa has been nominated for two Dora Mavor Moore Awards for acting, was named one of Canada's 35 Most Inspiring Women by Canadian Living Magazine and has founded two entertainment companies.

In film & TV she is currently playing one of the series leads on the upcoming television series Hard Rock Medical. Previous selected credits include Dead Before Dawn (premiered at Cannes '12), Erky Perky (YTV), Howie Mandel's This Is Howie Do It, GravyTrain, The Triumph of Dingus McGraw, has been a segment host on W Network's What's Cooking, and Flashpoint.

MJ has performed on stages across Canada and in the US, including the World Premiere of Vern Theissen's Do Not Disturb, Stockholm, 9 Parts of Desire, The Red Queen Effect, Or and Whale Music, Thy Neighbour's Wife (Theatre North West), Kate in Taming of the Shrew (Rose Theatre Brampton), Lust Labour's Lost (Toronto Fringe, Award Winners), When The Reaper Calls and Beauty & The Beast (Sudbury Theatre Centre), George & Gracie (Maritime/Ontario Tour). She also worked on two off-Broadway reviews for Netherlander Entertainment in NYC.

As a choreographer, she is the resident at The Rose Theatre Brampton, where she has choreographed 12 full-scale musicals including A Chorus Line, Cabaret, She Loves Me, Christmas Carol and upcoming, The Full Monty. She has worked freelance on such shows at Women Full Clothed (Elgin Theatre), David Bowie Review (Ontario Tour) and several shows with Second City. MJ is also a renowned fitness and dance instructor, having a series of DVDs out across North America and teaching on the Dr OZ Show, Music Music, MTV, eTalk, Slice and many more.

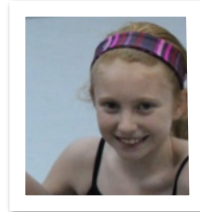
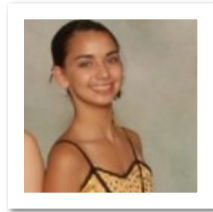
MJ is the founder of Seventh Stage Productions and LaRouge Entertainment. She holds an Honours BA with High Distinction from the University of Toronto, holds an acting diploma from Sheridan College and did her graduate work at The University of Toronto Drama Centre.



OUR IRISH DANCERS ARE OFF TO A CEILI!

In late October, many of our senior Cumbræ Irish dancers will be performing at a Ceili hosted by The Comhaltas Ceoltoiri Eiranne on October 20th in Ottawa. This is a great honour in the Irish community, and we wish the girls lots of luck!





Congratulations

Each year, The Cumbrae School of Dancing presents a handful of our dancers Awards of Excellence. This is for students with formidable work ethic, a positive attitude, and a love for dance. Winners are awarded a trophy, as well as money towards their upcoming year at Cumbrae. The 2011-2012 dancers that were honoured this past recital were Olivia Walker, Tiaran Sinkus, Andréa Brabant, and Madison McColl. Congratulations girls! Thank you for your positivity, and hard work!

Thank you Showtime Helpers!!

Though it may seem like a long time ago, Recital 2012 was a wonderful show! The dancers worked incredibly hard and their bright smiles and fabulous dancing wowed our audiences!! Behind the scenes was an equally impressive production. We would like to thank everyone involved for their help in making things run so smoothly:



Jenn Evraire, Sophy DeGiacomo, Tracy Rizok, Amanda Linton, Natalie Belanger, Justine Walker, Ann Stevenson, Amanda Kapcala, Charlotte McCrae, Christine Maguire, Monique McColl, Heather Lloyd, Scott McGinniss, Gale Theriault, April Clement, Cristina Dickson, Edith Over, Leah Corrigan, Mallory Linton, Jen Linton, Maureen Sirois, Karen Leahey, Lori Bouzane, Tammie Harvie, Anne Morin, Jen Gates-Flaherty, Natalie Makara, Karen Brabant, Shawn Evraire, Arlene McIvor, Darlene Maloney, Annie Champagne, Marian Cherrier, Erik Leicht, John Flaherty, John Rapp, Johane Brady, Margot Canough, Julieanne Banatte, Bev Cossette, Jody Wood, Marie-Pierre Lamarche, Stef Rizok, Michelle Lyndon, Jennifer Malek, Samantha Butler, Lianne Crisante, Jen Young, Emilie Pappin, Quinn Tu-Quynh, Paul McHugh, Elizabeth Fetterly, Erin Bayne, Andrea Clancy, Nelda Cherrier, Emily Fetterly, Danika Lafontaine, JoAnnie Lefebvre, Gaby Lowe, and Victoria Linton. Apologies to anyone we've missed!



Cumbrae Gear!

Cumbrae hoodies, zip-ups, and sweatpants are available to purchase in our St. Joseph Blvd. store. What better way to show team spirit than to sport our latest trends!

Want Cumbrae gear you don't see? Send in a design idea! If chosen, your design will not only be our latest Cumbrae fashion, but you will also get one free! Submit drawings in person to Miss Harvie, or via email to amberharvie@cumbraedance.com by October 31st, 2012.

Introducing our 2012-13 Staff

Marion Harvie - Director

Amber Harvie - Tap, Ballet, Jazz, Theatre, Junior Classes

Ping Feng - Ballet

Kristen Wilson - Tap, Ballet, Jazz, Contemporary

Sarah Shea - Irish

Meghan Baker - Ballet, Jazz, Contemporary, Conditioning

Natasha Cinnani - Hip Hop, Theatre, Jazz, Ballet, Junior Classes

Marie Chiasson - Tap, Jazz, Junior Classes

Tori Pelletier - Hip Hop, Tap, Jazz, Contemporary

Chantal Hamilton - Contemporary, Junior Classes

Emma McGinnis - Junior Irish, Ballet, Contemporary

Madeleine Erazo - Hip Hop, Jazz, Contemporary

Adrianna McGee - Hip Hop, Jazz

Michelle Brazeau - Junior Classes, Contemporary

Clara DeGrandpré - Irish



2012-13 Teaching Assistants

Nelda Cherrier, Victoria Linton, Madi McColl, Andr  a

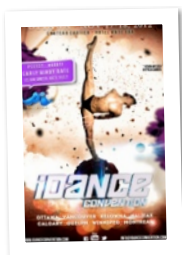
Brabant, Laurence Laurin, Jana Hudson, Katie Over, Isabelle Belanger and Gabrielle Lowe.

A Few Friendly Reminders....



Please keep in mind when sending your child with snacks that we are a peanut-free facility. We do have a few students with us that have severe allergies. Please respect this and leave all peanut-related snacks at home! Thanks!

We would also like to ask that all parents and students refrain from using cellphones in change-room areas. Please limit cellphone use to the front lobby area for noise and privacy issues. Students are always welcome to use the phone in the shop, and we recommend that they not bring mobile devices or other valuables to the studio.



iDANCE IS COMING TO OTTAWA!!

A new workshop will be coming to Ottawa this fall! iDance Convention will be held on November 17th-18th at Chateau Cartier.

For more information and to register, check out their website!

<http://www.idanceconvention.com>

Billy Elliot The Musical!

Are you or your child interested in seeing the musical 'Billy Elliot' that will be playing at the NAC? Keep checking our website for a soon to be released promo code for Cumbrae's group rate!



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