



# Carlson's School of Dance

June 2011

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## CHANGES IN 2011/2012

The 2011/12 Schedule will be given out in classes and posted on-line during these first weeks of June. Always remember that there will be further changes to the schedule as we get students sorted for their classes and of course when we get final numbers for classes after registration.

There are some **changes for next year**, some of which can be seen on the schedule and some which can't. We will be losing **Cody Ridley** from the Boys' Hip Hop program next year. Cody leaves us to pursue in more depth his Graphic Arts Studies. The boys will miss Cody and we all wish him good fortune in his future. We are still working on some ideas for replacing Cody.

**Reija Best** will introduce **2 new teachers to the Jazz section at Carlson's**. **Lindsay Randall**, who already teaches our Saturday morning classes, will add Junior Free Jazz to her list. **Bonnie Nicholas** will join our staff, limiting her time to one evening per week, while she completes her studies at VIU. Bonnie did her dance training here at Carlson's, attaining her RAD Intermediate Vocational Certificate in Ballet and her ISTD Advanced I level in Modern Jazz.

New Classes for next year: **Christine Shaw** will be adding a **daytime Pre-school Dance class** on Tuesday morning at 10:00 am.

We will also add a **Zumba®Fitness Class for Adults** on Thursday mornings with Instructor, **Julie LeBlanc-O'Leary**.

## *The Nutcracker Auditions*

A message from the Victoria Production of  
*The Nutcracker*

"We have discovered that Alberta Ballet's 2011/2012 touring schedule prevents us from holding our usual auditions in September. We wanted to make sure that all of the dance school rehearsals and shows were completed before we held the auditions (we didn't want to exclude any dancers by booking the audition on a weekend when dancers were rehearsing or performing) and we only had a brief window before Summer vacation started. Therefore, the auditions will be held on **Wednesday June 29<sup>th</sup> from 4:30-7:30pm at Dance Victoria Studios.**" All of the relevant info is now posted on [dancevictoria.com](http://www.dancevictoria.com) <http://www.dancevictoria.com/studios/nutcracker-ensemble>.

**Information about the auditions etc. is also posted in the Studios.**

## *PICTURE DAY THANK-YOU*

*Picture Day this year went extremely well in spite of last minute changes to the venue and extra stairs to negotiate. Thank-you to all of the dancers and parents for helping us manage this with the utmost patience and good will. We noticed a calmer, cooler atmosphere, which gives the dancers and the photographers the best opportunity for a good picture.*

## DATES, TIMES & PLACES

Mon, June 20 Rehearsal for the Friday 7:00 Show  
 Tue, June 21 Rehearsal for the Saturday 2:00 Show  
 Wed, June 22 Rehearsal for the Saturday 7:00 Show  
 Thur, June 23 Extra Rehearsal as invited

**The Recitals:** 7:00 pm, Friday, June 24; 2:00 pm and 7:00 pm, Saturday, June 25

**All Rehearsals and Recitals are at the Cowichan Theatre.** Meet downstairs in the dressing rooms (turn left from the lobby). Look for the name of your dance on the Dressing Room Doors to find your class.

**LIFETOUCH PHOTOS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PICK-UP** in the Green Room at Rehearsals during the week of June 20-23. They will be available again at Registration in September.

**THEATRE TOURS.** Time TBA. Everyone who wants to learn the ins and outs of the Theatre can meet in the Library-side Lobby of the Island Savings Centre. Joyce Scott or Kim Robb will accompany you along with a staff member from the Theatre. **Watch for a flyer in the Studios.**

**TAP EXAMS.** Monday, June 27

**Saturday, July 16. Cowichan Summer Festival Parade.** Dancers 8 years old & older, meet at the Island Savings Centre, Library side parking lot at 9:30 am to dance in the parade. **Wear something red or white or both** and a pair of good runners. Bring a hat and water. Learn the dance while you wait for the parade to begin. Judging will take place at 10:00 am.

**DANCE DISCOVERY Summer Camp.**  
**Monday-Friday July 11-15, 8:30 am—3:30 pm at the Island Savings Centre**

This **Summer Camp** (advertised with more details in the ISC Summer Supplement) will feature Ricki-Lee Allison and Bonnie Nicholas and a highland dance teacher, offering 5 styles of dance. There will be 2 separate age groups running concurrently: 6-9 years and 10-13 years. Registration is at the ISC Ticket Centre or by phone 250.748.7529

## TIPS FOR THE RECITAL

- 1. Names on Everything.** With everyone having identical costumes, mix-ups and lost items are inevitable. Please make sure your child's name is on all recital costumes, shoes, etc.
- 2. Be sure to collect all costume pieces** to take away at the end of each rehearsal and recital.
- 3. Safety pins,** needles & thread, scotch tape, extra bobby pins, elastics, etc can save many situations from stress.
- 4. The doors of the Dressing Rooms** open one hour before the start time of the Rehearsals and Recitals.
- 5. The name of your child's dance** is useful when buying tickets for the right show, finding your dressing room, etc. Do you know what it is?
- 6. The Finale** will be practiced during the rehearsals at approximately 6:15 pm just after the 15 min. technicians' break.

## 7. BUY TICKETS EARLY

### FLOWERS AT THE RECITAL

The Friends of the Cowichan Theatre will be selling single wrapped roses for \$3.00 each at all 3 of our shows. The "Friends" give financial support to the Theatre. Recently they have provided a new dance floor for the stage and supported a new sound system. (No pre-order is necessary)

It is totally your choice whether you want to bring flowers for your child but in case you do, here is some information that you need: Remember, the Cowichan Theatre does not allow flowers (or perfume) to be taken into the audience area of the Theatre. If you want to bring flowers for your dancer it is recommended that you leave them in the car and then rush out to get them so you can greet her when she comes out of the dressing room. If you bring your flowers upstairs, they will be taken at the concession with your name attached to be picked up after the shows.

## RECITAL DVD ORDERS

Once again our 3 Recitals will be taped by Mike and Karen Younger of Heart and Soul Images. DVDs will be available on a prepaid order basis. The price for each show DVD is \$20 (including HST). This year the order form will be an envelope supplied by Heart and Soul. These envelopes will be available in the Studios for you to pick up starting next week. **Orders (with payment sealed inside only) should be left at the Green Room during Rehearsals.** You can pick up your DVDs at Registration in September. Contact Mike or Karen at 748.0702 or at his email address:

[heartandsoul@xplornet.com](mailto:heartandsoul@xplornet.com)

### SOLOS, DUETS, TRIOS FOR NEXT YEAR'S MUSIC FESTIVAL

Music Festival work for next year can be started in the summer. Contact any of the teachers for Choreography by calling or emailing the Studio to leave a message.

## *Cirque du Soleil*

### SPECIAL PRICE FOR DRALION

#### **Special Student pricing starting at just \$25!**

Enjoy the magic of Cirque du Soleil's *Dralion* when it comes to Save-On-Foods Memorial Centre June 22-26th! Student ticket prices are \$25 and \$45 (Reg. \$40 and \$80). Parents can also purchase seats with their students on line.

\*Disclaimer: Available on line with promo code: **STUDENT**. Valid on the following select performances: 6/22, 6/23, 6/26—1 pm & 5 pm. Not valid on previously purchased tickets. Not valid on premium priced seating. No double discounts. No refunds or exchanges. Offer expires: 6/26/11

\*An email accompanying this information states "This rate also applies to the students' parents as well."

### 2011/12 Carlson's Registrations

Wednesday, August 31

Tuesday, September 6th

1:00—7:00 pm at 3272 Sherman Road.

### CARLSON'S TO PARTICIPATE IN TOUR De ROCK

Joyce Scott and Kim Robb want to contribute significantly to Cancer Research this year. Both have had family, friends and even some of our students here at Carlson's experience the disease and this has motivated them to take action. They are asking our Carlson's Family to get on board with them in the goal to raise \$5,000 to be donated on our behalf at the Tour de Rock activities this Fall. If this sum can be raised in sponsorship, both Joyce and Kim will have their heads shaved in support of the cause.

We will have donation buckets available at the Recitals and Rehearsals (in the Green Room with Photos) and there is a Carlson's Account at the Cowichan Valley Bottle Depot on Norcross Rd. where you can donate your recycling money to be used for the Tour de Rock Donation.

### CARLSON'S PICNIC AT TRANSFER BEACH PARK, LADYSMITH

To get the ball rolling on our drive to sponsor Joyce and Kim, we will hold a Picnic at Transfer Beach on Thursday, June 30 from noon until 4 pm. At the picnic, Ricki-Lee Allison has offered to have her long hair cut (not shaved!) to be donated to the Locks of Love program which creates wigs for cancer patients.

All dancers and their families are invited to join us at the picnic. We chose Transfer Beach because we can meet there with a minimum of organization and enjoy the beach, the concession, the playground, the water park and each others company to finish off our dance year and kick-off our Tour de Rock activities.