



# Carlson's School of Dance

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## Newsletter On the Web

After this issue the Carlson's Newsletter will not be available in hard copy every month. You may find it on the first of every month on the website. We will print a smaller number of copies to be posted in the Studio Dressing Rooms and leave some for those of you who don't have web access.

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## WELCOME EVERYONE

Welcome to every dancer at Carlson's School of Dance for the new 2007/2008 season. If you're coming back for your 5th or 12th year of dancing or just trying it out for the first time, if you're coming for a hip hop class, for jazz, ballet, tap or musical theatre, if you're an adult or a 3 year old, we hope you will enjoy being part of the Carlson's Family.

### What's happening....

There's a new **Boys' Tap Class** on Fridays at 6:15-7:00. Lynda Allen is teaching the boys a stomp style of tap. Reija Best has started a **Senior Recreational Contemporary Class** so that some of her jazz dancers can try a more lyrical style. There's a new **Progressions 2 Class** where jazz dancers aged 10-12 can sharpen up their skills. And Grade 6 Ballet students are beginning pointe work in the **Intermediate Pointe Class**.

The **3 Year-Old Parent/Tot Class** is full but a new session will start on January 8. Call the studio if you want to join this class in the New Year.

## INFORMATION YOU WILL NEED:

- There are still some **pre-purchased DVDs** of the Recital in June in the Studio A Office. If you ordered and paid for a DVD, you can pick it up during Office Hours.
- **Watching Week** Parents are invited to come and watch their child's class during **the week of November 3-9**.
- **Thanksgiving Monday. There will be no classes on Monday, October 8.**
- On Remembrance Day weekend classes will be held but the Monday classes will be earlier in the day. Watch the Nov. Newsletter for more details.
- **Festival Deadlines.** The deadline for entry for the **Cowichan Music Festival** is Dec. 15. The Syllabus is available now at Now Showing and Duncan Music. For **DanceArts** (Victoria) and the **Upper Island Musical Festival** (Nanaimo) the deadline is Jan.15. Their Syllabi are available on their websites (look for links on the "Calendar" on our website). DanceArts is changing how they are presenting the Performance and Achievement Sections of their festival so you might want to have a look . (For the syllabus, click on "Guide Book")

## **TRIPLE THREAT DANCE CONVENTION**

**The Deadline to sign up has passed for the Triple Threat Dance Convention being held in Vancouver on Nov. 24 and 25. Those attending will already have submitted their entry forms and payment. We are collecting the money earlier this year to ensure our reservation at the Carmanah Plaza Hotel. The Information Meeting will be held on Saturday, October 13 at 1:30 p.m. at Studio B. Those attending Triple Threat must attend this meeting along with their parents. Directions and Convention Information will be available at this meeting.**

### **CHILDREN'S FITNESS TAX CREDIT**

*The Government of Canada has implemented a new non-refundable tax credit on amounts of up to \$500 paid by parents to register a child in a program of physical activity. More information is available at [www.cra-arc.gc.ca/fitness/](http://www.cra-arc.gc.ca/fitness/). We have made receipts available on the website and in the studio dressing rooms to facilitate your accessing this tax credit. Fill in the top half of the receipt, return it to the studio and we will mail the receipt to you in February. You will need to fill out a sheet for the period January-June 2007 and one for September-December. Since this is a fairly cumbersome process we are requesting that you return the completed receipts by December 31, 2007. We will not be treating individual receipts received after that deadline.*

### **HOW TO—**

**Talk to your child's dance teacher.** Call the studio office and leave a message or write an email and your teacher will contact you to speak with you or arrange a time to meet with you if necessary.

**Order DVDs from the June Recital.** Contact Heart and Soul Images at 250.686.7685 or email them at [video@heartandsoulimages.com](mailto:video@heartandsoulimages.com)

**Get EyeGo \$5 Tickets at the Theatre for Students in Grades 8-12.** Go to [www.eyego.org](http://www.eyego.org) to see what shows are available and how to get tickets.

**Order the New Carlson's Gear.** You might see some girls around the studio with new track suits, shorts and tank tops with the Carlson's logo on them. Pam Thomson will make another order in November (in time for Christmas). Call her at 701.0900.

### **EXAM INFO**

Tap and Hip Hop Exam letters are now being given out for the Exams that are coming up in January. Please return the letter with payment to your teacher no later than October 13. **RAD** letters for **Ballet Exams** will go out shortly after Christmas to be returned by January 18 for the exams that will happen in April or May. ISDT Jazz Exam info is TBA.

### **OFFICE HOURS**

**Joyce Scott**  
**Tuesday 2:00-3:00**

**Cherie Nicholas**  
**Tuesday 6:30-8:00**  
**Friday 3:30-5:00**