

This newsletter contains info on happenings at the studio & upcoming events. See calendar (*attached*) for important dates & holidays throughout the year.

## SUMMER 2010

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Competitive, Intensive and Company dancers mark **August 23<sup>rd</sup> to September 3<sup>rd</sup>** on your calendar for next year's DanceLab. Once again, Calen Kurka & Chris Hale from Pushing Progress ([www.pushingprogress.com](http://www.pushingprogress.com)) will be joining us!

This summers' Competitive DanceLab was a great success! Guest teachers from both Toronto & New York enriched and enlightened our dancers. **Please note that attendance will be mandatory for Intensive and Company students and highly recommended for Competitive students.**

Our director and members of our company attended World Dance Movement in Italy! Our dancers trained with incredible teachers from both New York and Europe. The workshop included two performances in which our dancers performed pieces that were created by these esteemed choreographers. Two of our dancers, Jacqueline Carhoun and Milar Menard, received scholarships for their outstanding work.

Next summer our company, intensive and competitive dancers will have the opportunity to travel to New York! Tentative dates are July 3<sup>rd</sup>-July 12<sup>th</sup>. Watch for updates.

## 2009 FALL SEASON UPDATES

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Dance Co extends a welcome to all new & returning families. We also welcome instructors new to the Dance Co faculty: Chelsea Delorme, Christie Manning, Kate Jamieson, Olympia Dowd & Anton Lim. Teacher biographies can be found on our website at [www.danceco.com](http://www.danceco.com).

Dance Co is excited about the opening of our seventh studio!! Our expansion allows us to offer more class options and smaller class sizes, providing our students with more individual attention.

Members of Dance Co's Company, Intensive & Competitive programs attended **Coastal Dance Rage** and were lucky enough to take classes with Sonya Teyah, Benji Schwimmer & Twitch from So You Think You Can Dance! Company, intensive and competitive dancers are encouraged to attend the following dance conventions:

GrooveStreet – Oct 31st & Nov 1<sup>st</sup>  
Triple Threat – Nov 28th & 29th  
(*see office to register or for more details*)

**New York City Dance Alliance – Nov 14th & 15th in Burbank, Los Angeles** interested students please email Marlowe at [marlowe@danceco.com](mailto:marlowe@danceco.com) for more info.

Dance Co will be taking part in the Fall Cecchetti Workshop in preparation for upcoming ballet examinations and attending Moulan Rouge by the RWB!

Look for two of our students; **Chelsea Eng** and **Orion Sky Radies** in this year's professional production of ***The Nutcracker*** taking place at the Centre for Performing Arts.

Dance Co was proud to hold the VANOC professional tap auditions for the Opening Ceremonies. Our director was selected by the panel and is looking forward to being a part of such a once in a lifetime opportunity.

## UNIFORMS

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A friendly reminder that Dance Co does have a dress code policy and it is **MANDATORY** for all dancers to wear the prescribed Dance Co uniform to all classes. **Failure to wear a complete Dance Co uniform will result in students not being allowed to participate in class.** The dress code policy is strictly enforced. Please see the store, Dance Etc., for a detailed uniform list or any questions you may have.

Dance Co will not be held responsible for any lost belongings. **LABEL ALL UNIFORM PIECES, DO NOT BRING VALUABLES & PLEASE SECURE BELONGINGS IN CHANGEROOM LOCKERS!**

## STUDIO HOLIDAYS

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Dance Co will be OPEN for classes on **October 31<sup>st</sup>** Halloween. But will be CLOSED and there will be NO CLASSES **November 11<sup>th</sup>**, Remembrance Day.

## PERFORMANCE DATES

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At Dance Co. we believe in setting goals for our dancer in order help them succeed. Dance festivals and our year-end recital offer great opportunities for our students to grow and improve.

This year's pre-show, 'Sneak Peek', for all Company, Intensive & Competitive students, will be held **April 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup>, 2010** at The Scotiabank Dance Centre. (\*This will be the only Dance Co event where all solo, duo & trio routines will be performed.)

## FESTIVALS

All Dance Co Company, Intensive & Competitive classes will participate in dance festivals throughout April & May. (*Exact dates TBA*)

## RECITAL and SHOWCASE

Dance Co's year-end recital will be held June 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup>, 2010, at the Gateway Theatre in Richmond. All Dance Co students (except most Adult classes) will participate in this event.

The Dance Co Honour Performance, "Showcase 2010", will be held on **June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2010**.

\*\*Please inform the office ASAP of any time conflicts that may result in your absence at a festival or recital, as **attendance is mandatory!** (*Recreational classes required to attend year-end recital only*)

## CLASS CHANGES & WITHDRAWALS

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A big thank you to those who have been affected by changes to the class schedule; we appreciate your patience.

Please note: **the last day to change or withdraw from a class is October 31<sup>st</sup>.**

To withdraw a student from a class, parents/guardians must complete an official Discontinuation Form. Forms are available at the Dance Co office and must be received by October 31<sup>st</sup>. All 1<sup>st</sup> payment installments are non-refundable. After October 31<sup>st</sup>, families are responsible & committed to paying the entire remaining fees on the contracted dates.

## TUITION INSTALLMENTS

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The **2<sup>nd</sup> tuition payment installment is due on November 1<sup>st</sup>**. If you have a credit card on file, or have written post-dated cheques, we will process them on that date. If you wish to use another form of payment, please ensure to remit payment before November 1<sup>st</sup>.

## JANUARY RE-REGISTRATION

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Pre-Primary and Adult students who registered for the first term only and would like to complete the year, will need to re-register. **Re-registration for returning students will take place from November 15<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup>**. After this time, January classes will be open to new students also.

To ensure yourself a spot in class for next term, please re-register during the above specified time period. We will be offering only a limited selection of classes this January and we do anticipate a high demand for them.

Watch for the Dance Co January 2010 Class brochure due out end of November!

## COLD/FLU SEASON

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The health and safety of our students and staff at Dance Co is a top priority. The key to keeping our school free from H1N1 or any other influenza virus is prevention. We ask you to reinforce and model the following three prevention measures in your home:

- 1 – Wash hands often with soap and water for 20 seconds.
- 2 – Cover coughs and sneezes with the inside of your elbow.
- 3 – If your child is feeling sick, keep them home. Please call the office to notify the school of their absence. If your child should become sick during class you will be called to come and pick them up.

## [www.danceco.com](http://www.danceco.com)

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