

MAXIMUM

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TERM 1 NEWSLETTER 2021

A very warm welcome back to all new and existing students and families ☺ Congratulations to everyone who was involved in our 2020 recital of 'Kiwiana' it was AWESOME! After such an 'uncertain' year it was fabulous to see all of our dancers celebrating on stage. Thank you to all of the helpers and students who were involved in this FUN show. It is so rewarding seeing the standard of dance continue to improve and we are lucky to work with such amazing students☺

Our exam results in 2020 were fantastic! Many dance schools did not end up doing exams which makes me all the more proud. Huge congratulations to everyone whom sat an exam last year. One of the main highlights in 2020 was seeing our Alex Pedley, Cam Greer, Devon Zhou and Alana Holroyd perform as an child extra's with the RNZB in 'The Sleeping Beauty' I am so proud of the resilience and team work shown at MDZ throughout 2020. I am excited to see what we can accomplish together this year.

ENROLMENT DAY –SECOND HAND UNIFORM SALE- FREE DANCE DISPLAYS: SATURDAY THE 30th January 10AM-12noon STUDIO 1 - 46 VICTORIA AVENUE.

Please bring along any friends you have that may be interested in starting dance to our enrolment day. Free dance displays will be running also. Existing students are automatically re-enrolled for 2021 once payment has been received. We have a lot of new classes on offer which are described over the page. *Students training in more than one form of dance benefit greatly.* It is suggested that from Grade 3 level two forms of dance are attended to help strengthen training. This really shows in the exam results also. As classes are filling up quickly please ensure you let Miss Maxene know your intentions for the year.

2020 AWARDS

ENCOURAGEMENT-Alana Holroyd, Jiamin Huang, Davina Zhang, Maia Smith, Briony Milne, Amy White, Jasmine Zhou, Alysha Smith, Linn Herzig, Ying Ying Yong, Ivy Yang, Callie Turner, Kiara Wickjayarama, Millie Campbell, Grace Johnson

SMILEY AWARD –

Kate Coutts

MOST OUTSTANDING:

TAP – Runner Up: Lauren Holroyd. Overall: Malissa Sun

HIP HOP- Runner Up: Olivia Tornquist Overall: Issy Carnegie

JAZZ – Runner Up: Emily Sutherland Overall: Ariana Buttar

CONTEMPORARY- Runner Up: Elaine Stichbury Overall: Sashini Punchihewa

BALLET-Runner up: Lily McDonald Overall: Mikah BatachEl

OVERALL –AMY LAMPP

EXAM TOP MARKS 2020

BALLET- Ivy Yang/Maddy Dunbar **TAP –** Malissa Sun/Lauren Holroyd

MODERN/JAZZ Emma Carey/Ariana Buttar/Amy White/Kayla Wilton

CONTEMPORARY Ariana Buttar

HIP HOP- Malissa Sun/Caitlyn Tornquist/Franchesca Gordon



If you have any **second hand gear** that you would like to sell please drop this off on the 30th between 10am and 10.30. Please name your items clearly and put your phone number and the price you would like on a slip in a plastic bag with your gear. If it does not sell you can collect it during term one, otherwise you will receive payment once classes have started back.

FREE WORKSHOPS/ TRY OUT A DANCE STYLE DAY – BRING YOUR FRIENDS!

SATURDAY THE 6TH OF FEBRUARY- 46

VICTORIA AVE (Please check facebook for confirmed timetable)

9.15 3 & 4 year olds

10am 5-8 year olds

11am 9 year's & up

12.15 End

You will get to try out different forms of dance such as Ballet, tap, Jazz, Hip Hop, Contemporary & see some great dance displays...



Term 1 dates: Vocationals (Seniors L4 hip hop/contemporary+, Inter Found Ballet, Tap & Modern+) will start the week of the **1st of February**.

All other classes will begin the timetable on the website the week of the **8th of February**. No classes Good Friday or Easter Monday. Term one ends Saturday the **17th of April**.

2020 New Classes

TWINKLE TOES/FANCY FEET/DANCING DOTS– **Beginners 3-5 year old** classes. Fun imaginative dance including the basics of Ballet, Tap and Jazz. Using exciting props such as wands, scarves etc. Choose Monday, Thursday or Saturday class.

PRE PRIMARY/PRIMARY BALLET– **For Pre Primary must be age 5 by the 31/01/21.** More structured Ballet training with the opportunity to sit 1st assessment/exams later in the year. **Ballet is the basis to all dance forms – and the best place to start.** Choose from Monday or Saturday class.

BEGINNERS ROSETTE JAZZ/HIP HOP– **From the age of 5**, fun groovy class with funky moves. Opportunity to sit exams later in year. Friday class.

HIP HOP–**From the age of 9** a more focused Hip Hop class. As seen in music videos. Opportunity to sit exams. Friday class.

BOYS ONLY! **From the age of 5.** Totally boy focused Jazz and Hip Hop. A highly energetic class –loads of fun! Thursday class.

BEGINNERS TAP–**From the age of 5.** Learn to make awesome beats with your feet. Opportunity for exams. Tuesday class.

INTRODUCTORY CONTEMPORARY- **9years+** Flexibility, relaxation and control are some of the bonuses of this beautiful dance form. Friday class.

MUSICAL THEATRE – **From age 7+** Singing & dancing to all of your favourite musicals. Wednesday class.



ACRO – From age 8+ Flexibility & strength training. Learning tricks to enhance your dancing. Saturday class.

Uniform Requirements

All items are available from **SUGAR PLUM FAIRY SHOP**—TERRACE END. Some items available from ASHLEY ELLEN ON BROADWAY. **Hair must be up** for all classes except Contemporary at times. **Hair must be in a bun for Ballet from Grade 3 upwards please.** Crossover wraps are optional.

***TWINKLE TOES/FANCY FEET/DANCING DOTS**—Own leotard and skirt or fairy dress. Ballet shoes needed.

***PRE PRIMARY/PRIMARY BALLE**T- Pink capped sleeved leotard (Chloe) and pink chiffon short wrap skirt with socks/ballet stockings and ballet shoes with elastic.

***GRADE 1 AND 2 BALLE**T- Pale blue leotard (Aimee) with ballet stockings and ballet shoes with elastic. Character skirt (3 blue ribbons preferred) and low heeled character shoes.

***GRADE 3 & 4 BALLE**T – MAUVE LEOTARD with ballet stockings and ballet shoes with ribbons. Character skirt and Cuban heeled Character shoes.

***GRADE 5 BALLE**T- Navy leotard (Faith) with ballet stockings and ballet shoes with ribbons. Character skirt and Cuban heeled Character shoes.

***HIGHER GRADES/ VOCATIONAL BALLE**T- Navy/black shoestring strapped leotard. Ballet flats and pointe shoes (you will be instructed on when to get your pointe shoes). Character gear for higher grades. Demi-pointes as Miss Maxene tells you.

MODERN JAZZ—Primary & Grade 1 – Unitards. No shoes required.

Grade 2 - 6 New strappy backed leotard (purple, turquoise, royal blue or red—own choice) Black leggings & TAN Jazz shoes needed from Grade 3+

*** Boys only** – Personalised singlets can be purchased later in the year. Black shorts. Jazz shoes from Grade 3+ . Long black sport pants higher levels.

*** VOCATIONAL MODERN JAZZ**— Leotard any style. Black nylon lycra leggings and TAN Jazz shoes.

***BEGINNERS- GRADE 2 TAP**—Own leotard and skirt. Socks and Tap shoes.

***GRADE 3 TAP UPWARDS**- Black leggings with own leotard/singlet top. Tap shoes—Oxford style from Grade 5 upwards.

***CONTEMPORARY**— Black leotard and leggings

***HIP HOP 9+ CLASSES**— Clothes that are easy to move in. Singlets can be purchased later in the year. **No Jeans.** Sneakers for Hip Hop.

PLEASE REMEMBER FURTHER INFORMATION CAN BE FOUND AT www.maximumdance.co.nz and Like us on fb for regular updates.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2021:

NB: dates are subject to change.

*Enrollment day/Second hand uniform sale: **Saturday 30th January 10am-12noon** – Studio 1: 46 Victoria Ave.

* Performance Crew auditions: **Monday 1st February: 188 Cuba Street.**

3.30-4.15 **Junior Performance Crew** (Contemporary & Jazz) Age 9-turning 12 this year.

4.30-5.15 **Intermediate Performance Crew** (Contemporary & Jazz) 13 (or turning 13) -15 this year.

5.30-6.30 **Senior Contemporary Crew** Age Turning 15 & upwards this year.

1st February – All Vocational classes start this week (Intermediate Foundation/Level 4 upwards)

Wednesday 3rd February: 188 Cuba Street

3.30-4.15 **INTERMEDIATE Hip Hop Crew** Audition 10-14 YEARS

SENIOR HIP HOP CREW (Time TBA) AUDITIONS cost \$15 cash on arrival.

***Saturday 6th February – FREE Workshops, 46 Victoria Ave.**

* 8th February will be first full week for all classes.

* Feb 19th- 21st PNDA comps

*Sunday 7th March- Esplanade open day.

* March 12th – 14th PNDA Ballet comps

*Easter – No classes Friday 2nd & Monday 9th of March.

*April 9th Friday – Chicago Opens

* Friday 9th April – NZAMD exam entries due

* Friday 16th April – RAD Ballet exam entries due

End of term one: Saturday 17th April

*Manawatu, Taranaki, Wanganui & Rotorua competitions - April

*NZAMD Contemporary and hip hop exam students extra practices during the holidays TBC.



Term two starts: 3rd May

*ISTD exam fees closing date: Friday 7th May (TBC)

*NZAMD Contemporary and Hip hop exams: June 29th – July 9th.

**RAD Vocational Ballet students Winter school in Wellington – 12th – 17th July

****Examination students compulsory RAD grades, ISTD Tap and Modern examination coaching week/s: 19th- 25th July. TBC**

Term three starts: 26th July

**RAD Ballet Vocational & Grade exams: 4th-20th August

*ISTD Modern and Tap exams – TBC

End of term -2nd October. Manawatu & Wanganui comps during holidays.

Term four starts: 18th of October

*PACANZ – 20-24th October

* NZAMD Scholarship Awards (TBC)

*Recital (TBC)

Please check the website for the new timetable & fees for 2021

Looking forward to helping you reach for the stars!

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and staff— **Emma Jane Skinner** RAD registered teacher. **Kristina Beddis** Associate ISTD Tap-Dist **Emma Carey** NZAMD Solo Contemporary G8 RAD Ballet, Adv 1 ISTD Mod, Adv 1 RAD Ballet **Eileen Skipp** RAD Ballet trained, Adv ISTD Modern, L6 Contemporary. **Kayla Wilton** Adv 1 ISTD Modern, Inter RAD Ballet, Solo Hip Hop & Contemporary. **Malissa Sun** Adv 1 ISTD Tap (Dist), L7 tap & Inter NZAMD Jazz, Inter RAD Ballet, Inter Found ISTD Modern, L6 Hip Hop, L5 Contemporary. **Elaine Stichbury** Adv 1 ISTD Tap, L7 NZAMD Tap, L5 Contemporary, Inter RAD Ballet

Assistant and relieving Teachers: **Amy White** Adv 1 ISTD Modern, Solo Contemporary, NZAMD Inter Jazz **Alysha Smith** Inter RAD Ballet, L4 NZAMD contemp **Briony Milne** Adv 1 RAD & Grade 8 Ballet (Dist), L6 Contemp, Adv 1 ISTD Modern **Sashini PUNCHIHEWA** Inter & Grade 7 RAD Ballet, L5 Contemp, Inter NZAMD Jazz, Inter Found ISTD Jazz **Emily Hannon** Adv 1 RAD Ballet (Dist), L5 Contemp. **Jo Berrett** (NZAMD Solo Jazz, Hip hop and Contemporary, G8 RAD) **Chantelle Christensen** Adv 2 RAD Ballet

