

**The Julie Mitchell
Edinburgh Dance Academy
Term 2 Newsletter 2012
19 March 2012 – 26 May 2012**

Spring is in the air!! With this lovely spring weather comes lots of exciting EDA news.

Matriculation Day

Suzie will be at the studios on the following dates and times to answer any questions and collect fees. Fees may also be posted into the office or paid by BACS.

EDA East (Kirk Stables) – Friday 30 March 1.00pm -3.00pm

EDA Central (Telford College) – Tuesday 20 March 4.30pm–6.30pm outside the studio

EDA West (WHEC) – Wednesday 21 March 4.00pm – 6.00pm in the Café

If you attend the EDA West [WHEC] for the majority of classes please make cheques payable to Edinburgh Dance Academy. Alternatively you can pay your fees electronically to: Edinburgh Dance Academy, Sort Code: 80-11-05, Account Number: 00163868. If paying electronically please remember to give your child's name and invoice number as reference.

If you attend EDA Central [Telford College, Broughton High School] or EDA East [Kirkstables] for the majority of classes please make all cheques payable to Edinburgh Dance Academy 2. Alternatively you can pay your fees electronically to: Edinburgh Dance Academy 2, Sort Code: 83-20-03, Account Number: 00611011. If paying electronically please remember to give your child's name and invoice number as reference. If you are unable to make a postal or electronic payment, please come to matriculation days to make a payment with Suzie. No payment of any kind should be handed to any teacher at any time. **If fees are not received in the first week of term your child will not be allowed in class.**

RAD News

Following the announcement in November 2011 that RAD examinations in Scotland have been accredited by the Scottish Qualifications Authority (SQA), and following the first awarding of these new qualifications in January 2012, the RAD is pleased to announce that the Universities and Colleges Admissions Service (UCAS) have confirmed that these new qualifications will be subsumed within the UCAS points tariff on the same basis as their QCF counterparts. UCAS have indicated that their website will be updated to reflect this within a few weeks.

Pantomime at the Kings

We are pleased to announce that we have been asked to provide the student and juvenile dancers for the Christmas Pantomime at the Kings Theatre for the 12th year running!! This year's Panto is Mother Goose. So Miss Mitchell will be looking for a goose to fly high above the stage at the Kings!! Exciting times!

Performance Group

The Performance Group are as busy as ever with numerous competitions and events. Most recently The Company opened the St Andrews University Charity Fashion show. The fashion show began 20 years ago and is now a HUGE event getting international press coverage from magazines such as Marie Claire and Vogue! We were delighted to take part and help raise money for the Muir Maxwell Trust. Our girls looked absolutely stunning! A big congratulations to the girls that competed in the Glasgow heat of Festival4Stars. The following were successful in getting through to the Scottish Final!! Zoe Rae with her solo, Zoe Rae and Ollie MacKenzie with their duet, Courtney Rae and Sophie MacKenzie with their duet and Eve Robertson, Ellen Hamilton and Rachel Doherty with their trio. Well done to everyone who took part. We are very proud of you all.

WHEC Performance Group Auditions – Thursday 19 April 2012

Performance Group Mids 5.00pm – 5.45pm

Performance Group Juniors 6.00pm – 6.45pm

The Company 6.45pm – 7.00pm

We encourage all students from the age of five to audition, but please note that if successful, at least one ballet class per week is compulsory. Please call the office if you would like any further information [0131 3373402]

Please look out for Performance Group audition dates for EDA Central [Comely Bank] these will be held in Term 3.

Miss Mitchell

Miss M is off examining for the Royal Academy of Dance again. This time her tour is taking her to Italy. I can only imagine what delights she will see in cities such as Venice and Rome! I wonder if a show theme will involve a gondola.....? She will be in Italy for 4 weeks.

Word on the street is also that Miss M has also been invited to teach the Associate programme of Royal Ballet School to add to the work she does with Scottish Ballet.

Modern and Tap Exams

Like last year we will be holding graded modern and tap exams in house. These will take place the week beginning 11 June. Please look at the notice boards for more information

Summer@EDA

EDA are very excited to be able give you more information on our first Summer School. This will take place in Broughton High School's state of the art dance studios from **Monday 30 July – Saturday 4 August**. There will be workshops in Ballet, Commercial Jazz, Contemporary and Musical Theatre. Each day will run from 9.00am – 1.30pm with the week finishing up with a show. There will be 3 age groups. Junior, Mid and Senior. All are welcome from age 5yrs up. Numbers are limited so please call Suzie to book 0131 337 3402

Easter Dress Up Week

We will be holding an Easter dress up week the week starting 2 April. Feel free to roll along as a colourful Easter egg, relax as a pretty yellow daffodil or even pop up as an Easter bunny! As usual please bring £1 to each class that you have dressed up for. All proceeds go to the EDA Scholarship fund – an easy way to help!!! Please support this in any way you can. **Please note that all EDA classes will run as normal during the Easter holidays.**

EDA School Show

Production week 29 October – 3 November (shows on 2 and 3 November)

There will be more information over the coming months so please look at the notice boards at the studios and look out for any newsletters lurking in those dance bags!!

Office Closure

22, 23 and 26 March. If you have any queries on these days please leave a message or send an email to edinburghdance@aol.com and I will respond to you on my return.

Have a super spring term!!!

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