



Footnotes



A newsletter for students and friends of Contemporary School of Dance



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PHOTO ORDER PICK-UP!

Photo orders will be available for pick-up at our Open Houses! See dates and times on Page 2!

SUMMER NEWSLETTER!

We provide a quarterly newsletter with issues for fall, winter, spring and summer, as well as separate newsletters for our production in June. We hope you enjoy this issue of CSD Footnotes for summer 2018! All newsletters and notices are available at our website:

<http://csdance.com/news-info/dance-newsletter/>

FALL 2018/2019

REGISTRATION

Many thanks to those dance families who have already registered for classes at CSD this coming fall! We know you have many choices when it comes to planning your kids' activities, so we want to thank you for choosing CSD!

Haven't registered yet? Many of our classes are filling up! If you intend on joining classes again this year, we recommend that you register soon to avoid disappointment. We are currently accepting registration from current and new students on a first come, first served basis.

For the current dance schedule, please visit the following link:

<http://csdance.com/schedule/>

We look forward to continuing to be a part of your fabulous dance journey and sharing another season of dance with you!

The first day of classes will be Monday, September 10th.

IMPORTANT DATES!

These and other important dates are posted at our website:

<http://csdance.com/news-info/important-dates/>

CSD Dance Company Rehearsal
Tuesday, September 4

Open House & Dance Swap
Wednesday, September 5, 6-8pm

CSD Assistant Meeting
Wednesday, Sept. 5, 8:30-9pm

Open House & Dance Swap
Thursday, September 6, 6-8pm

Open House & Dance Swap
Saturday, September 8, 9am-12noon

First Day of Classes!
Monday, September 10

CSD Ballet Bun Week!
Mon. Sept. 17 – Sun. Sept. 23

CSD Fall Food Drive
Mon. Sept. 24 – Fri. Oct. 5

Thanksgiving Weekend – no classes
Sat. Oct. 6 – Mon. Oct. 8

Halloween Dress-up Week
Wed. Oct 24 – Tues. Oct. 30

Halloween – no classes
Wed. Oct. 31

Parent Observation Week
Sun. Nov. 4 – Sat. Nov. 10

CSD OPEN HOUSES

Our Open House hours provide an opportunity for new dance families to have a tour of the facilities and meet some of our teachers. We do not recommend waiting until the Open House to register for classes. We suggest dancers register online as soon as possible to guarantee spots in classes. Some of our classes are already FULL!

Photos from our June production will be available for pick-up at our Open Houses in September. Production DVDs will be available at the end of September. Forgot to order a DVD? We will have a limited number available \$39.55 including HST.

OPEN HOUSE DATES

Wednesday, September 5, 6:00-8:00pm

Thursday, September 6, 6:00-8:00pm

Saturday, September 8, 9:00am-12:00noon

Dance Studio



DANCE SWAP!



Our Dance Swap is available at ALL Open House dates and is an opportunity for parents to sell or purchase “gently used” dancewear! If you have items to sell that are part of our dance uniform, please bring items during the hours of the Open House/Dance Swap and complete a CSD price tag label for each item, which includes your name and phone number, description of the item, size, and your price. Money from Dance Swap sales can be picked up in the office during the first week of classes. Our Dance Swap will continue to operate year-round, so if your items do not sell within our Open House dates, we will keep it in our Dance Swap area. Throughout the year, you

can add items to the Dance Swap by completing a tag and adding your item to our inventory. To purchase items, please bring your item(s) with tags attached and cash payment to faculty at the Open House. During the year, you must bring payment to the CSD office. Please note that we only accept cash payments for Dance Swap items because we give the payment directly to the owner. There are no discounts - we offer this service free of charge. Happy Shopping!

DANCE UNIFORM

Why does CSD have a uniform? Having the same attire for all students in a class maintains equality and allows students to focus on their dancing rather than their wardrobe. Fitted dancewear helps the teachers see the students’ alignment and placement, and cleanliness of uniform is important for all students to instill a sense of self-discipline. The dance uniform should be respected at all levels of dance – it will be STRICTLY adhered to. Being properly dressed and groomed for class shows that you respect the art of dance and are proud to be a dancer. For more information about our Dance Uniform, please visit the following link: <http://csdance.com/registration/dance-uniform/>

*Please note a change in leotard for Grades 1 & 2 from turquoise to purple, and a new jazz legging for older students.

How do I know what to wear? Our dance uniform information features the correct dancewear and footwear needed for each dance class, and includes images of leotards and shoes, etc. Please note that jewelry is not appropriate for dance class for safety reasons. Long earrings and necklaces can get caught in hair or clothing while moving, and rings can cause scratches or injury as well. Please leave all jewelry at home. Medic alert bracelets are of course permitted!

Where do I purchase my dance uniform? All dancewear and shoes are available at **Inspirations Dancewear** store on St. Leger Street in Kitchener. Note: Dancers in Grade 6 & 7 Ballet will be measured in class for their burgundy chiffon skirts and orders will be through CSD, not Inspirations. Dancers in Grade 1 - 8 Ballet can be measured for character skirts at Inspirations. Please note that we will not start character work in class until October, so that everyone has lots of time to order their skirts. The CSD office also sells convertible tights in ballet pink and tan tap in Child and Adult sizes, as well as bun kits, and CSD warm-up gear (sweatpants, sweaters, long-sleeved shirts, tank tops, scarves, headbands, stickers, and NEW! Legwarmers!) Gently used shoes and other dancewear is available at the studio’s Dance Swap during Open House hours and throughout the year.



DANCE EXAM REPORTS!

The CSD faculty are so proud of all of the dancers who took their RAD ballet exams and ISTD jazz and tap exams last spring. If you haven't already picked up your report forms, please do so during our Open Houses!

You Know You Are a Dancer When...

...you practice your acro and adage movements in the pool!

...when you get your back-to-school hair cut, you tell your stylist to keep it long enough to put it in a ponytail for dance!

...you schedule everything else in life around DANCE!

Do you have a funny "You know you're a dancer when..." quote?

Submit ideas to the office. Your quote could end up in a future issue of CSD's *Footnotes!*



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CSD FACULTY NEWS!

Our teaching faculty have been very busy this summer pursuing professional development! We all feel it is so important as teachers to continue to update and improve our knowledge and skills, so we thought we would share what we've been up to over the summer!

Elyse and Georgie attended the ISTD teachers' course for the new Intermediate Tap syllabus in July. Denise attended the ISTD teacher's course for Advanced 2 Modern Theatre (Jazz) and the Progressing Ballet Technique (PBT) course in July. Erin completed the Acrobatic Arts course for Module 2 and will be continuing to work towards completing hours for that training this year. Denise and Georgie attended the ISTD Residential Summer School for Teachers in Chichester, England in August! Denise is pursuing her Fellowship examination with the ISTD, which she is taking in August (Best wishes Denise!) Linda, Megan, and Kate will be attending the new RAD Discovering Repertoire course in August, which CSD will be hosting for southwestern Ontario RAD Ballet teachers.

It has been great to have CSD alumni, Naomi Wiersma, teaching our Adult summer classes this year and she is also working with Georgie and Elyse on her ISTD Associate in Tap and with Denise on the Associate for Modern Theatre (Jazz) faculties, as well as performing the Toronto and Windsor Fringe Festivals.

Unfortunately, we have some sad news to share that Whitney McArthur will not be teaching at CSD this year. During the summer, Whitney decided to move back to Saskatchewan. Although Whitney was only with us for one year, we know that many of you became very fond of Whitney – we did too! She asked me to pass on that she thoroughly enjoyed working with all the students and parents at CSD. We will all miss her very much and wish her all the best on her new venture.

We are excited to introduce Kennedy Dale-Johnson to our faculty this year! She will be teaching in the Junior school, Graded and Vocational Ballet, and broccoli (body conditioning) classes, and will also be working in the office. Kennedy is also very excited to help with Dance Company.

We are also very excited to announce that Megan Doig will be joining our faculty as well this year! Megan has assisted in our younger classes for many years and completed her ISTD Associate examination for Tap last spring. Megan will be teaching Tuesday nights in the Junior School and Tap programs.

For more information about these and our other amazing faculty members, please see their biographies on the studio website:

<http://csdance.com/about-us/meet-teachers/>

CSD ASSISTANT TEACHER TRAINING PROGRAM!

Would you like to join our team of expert assistants & gain valuable experience working with young children this year? If you are 12 years or older & love to dance, you are eligible to assist in CSD classes. Please email the Director christine@csdance.com with a letter describing why you would make a valuable CSD Assistant & what times/classes would work with your schedule for volunteer hours. **The CSD Assistant Meeting is Wednesday, September 5, 8:30-9:00pm.** Assistant placements will be emailed soon!