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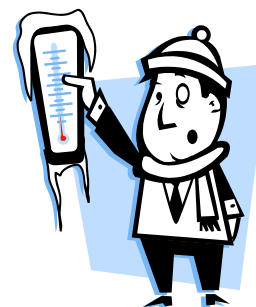
DANCE TRANCE
DANCE SCHOOL AND TALENT AGENCY

Letter from the Director: Suzanne Zelmer

On behalf of myself and the Dance Trance staff, we would like to welcome you to another year of dance at Dance Trance! We are excited for another year of learning, choreography, competitions and costumes! Be sure to drop in for our watching week November 3 - 9th to see your child's routines, meet their teachers and catch up on any news around the studio. Our staff bios are on our website at

www.dancetrancebc.com You will also be able to find most "dates to remember", upcoming workshops, and general information on our website as well. For those of you doing solos/duos/trios this season for competition, be sure to check out the entry forms at the front desk. We pride ourselves in being organized and being informative via emails for your dancing needs. Please let us know if

there is anything we can do to help you out, especially if you are new to our studio, and we will try to accommodate you in any way we can. We look forward to another year of successful, fun dancing ahead!!



Have you signed up as a Parent Rep?

We are still looking for Parent Reps for numerous classes! As a Parent Rep your duties will include but are not limited too: calling students in the class when the studio closes due to weather conditions, helping the

teacher with costumes if needed, helping organize extra rehearsals, having the occasional meeting, helping with the shows, making sure that everyone is present for competitions (only applicable to

competitive classes), have two copies of the competitive music to bring to each competition to hand in at the beginning and collect at the end. If you are interested please see the front desk!

Dates to Remember:

October 31st — STUDIO CLOSED
November 3-9th — WATCHING WEEK
November 11th — STUDIO CLOSED
December 18-31st — CHRISTMAS BREAK
March 19-25th — SPRING BREAK
June 15th — LAST DAY OF CLASSES
June 16th — RECITAL

Competitions:

Feb 2-20th — CHILLIWACK FESTIVAL
Feb 29-Mar 4th — DANCE POWER (Michael J. Fox)
Apr 17-22nd — SYNERGY (Bell Centre)
April 24-29th — PEAK (North Van-**ACRO ONLY**)
May 5-10th — PEAK (Abbotsford)

Ballet Exams

Dance Trance participates and enters children into the SPRING session of Royal Academy of Dance (R.A.D.) ballet exams. This session typically takes place between the end of April and the beginning of May. The R.A.D. is an internationally recognized and accredited program. Each year we participate we will be sent a different international examiner to ensure international standards are met. Letters will be sent home during watching week letting you know if your child is ready to take the spring exam!



"The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams"

- Eleanor Roosevelt

Competitions

Each group participates in four competitions over the year which are pre-determined by Suzanne. The ones chosen for this year are on the front page!

Each teacher will sign up the groups. Solo/duo and trios you can sign up for as many or little as you would like and are responsible to fill out and pay monies into our office by the deadlines!

With the competitions, adjudications usually happen around four times a day (lunch time, mid afternoon, dinner time, and the end of the evening around 9/9:30pm). With festivals, all dancers must remain in their FULL costume and backstage with the group until the adjudication is over. The adjudication is done on stage by one adjudicator,

and is an oral adjudication usually at the end of each category. With Synergy, Peak, Dance Power, the children return to their parents RIGHT AFTER they are done dancing, and remain with their parents for the rest of the day. Adjudication happens onstage, with all dancers onstage during the session. It is usually done by an announcer, not the panel of 3 judges. They do NOT need to stay in costume for these awards. Many kids wear their Dance Trance logo wear for this adjudication session. As these competitions are VERY busy for teachers, the parents are asked to warm-up the dancers, and remain with their kids until the instructor takes them BACKSTAGE. This is usually

about 5 - 10 minutes before they are scheduled to dance. Please do not leave your children unattended. Parents can pick up their kids either outside the backstage doors, or in the dressing rooms, depending upon what is arranged and discussed with your teacher. Parents are NOT allowed to go backstage. Dads are not allowed in the girls dressing rooms; only women in the women's dressing rooms, and men in the boys dressing rooms.

The competitions are allowed to run UP TO ONE HOUR AHEAD OF SCHEDULE. Dancers MUST BE READY TO DANCE ONE HOUR PRIOR, not showing up 30 minutes before their scheduled times. You may miss your routine if you are not ready.



Watching Week

The first watching week will be Nov 3-9th! How it works is that the last 15 minutes of class parents/siblings/grandparents are welcome to come in and watch!

Video cameras are encouraged!

Talent Agency

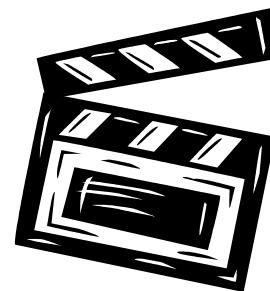
Dance Trance Talent Agency is currently seeking new faces to be part of it's growing agency. We represent babies to adults, for TV, film, commercials and live performances. Don't miss your chance to see if you have what it takes to succeed in this wonderful and exciting industry!!!

Our talent have booked jobs with Mattel, Fisher Price, Telus, Hasbro, Dannon, Disney, McDonalds, Purell, Proctor & Gamble, Macy's, BC Hydro, Winners, Nestle Quick, Scooby Too, Dark Angel, X-files, and Police Academy, just to name a few!!!!!! Don't miss your opportunity.....

Book your appointment with Suzanne today!!!

Call : 604-575-2630

Email: suzanne_zelmer@telus.net



ALSO...Dance Trance will be offering a 6 week Introductory Course!!

Ages 9-13

Thursdays 7-8pm starting November 3-December 8

This course will cover the following items:

What to wear to an audition and callback; Terminology of the Acting World; "Slating" and "Improv";

Monologues; Scene Work

Don't miss your opportunity!!

Dance Wearhouse

Right now we have all of our current inventory on sale!!

All shoes are 50% off and clothing and bodysuit 60% off!

Don't miss out! Come check out the inventory or email in an inquiry if you are looking for something specific!

"Great dancers are not great because of their technique, they are great because of their passion."

- Martha Graham

Please make sure that your fees are up to date!

Please ensure that your accounts are up to date! Costume deposits were invoiced for October 1st and we are in the process of ordering costumes right now!

Costume deposits are like a "down payment" for a costume to ensure that one is ordered for everyone.

Therefore, if you have not yet paid this please do ASAP! Competition fees are also now due as of November 1st! These are for the four competitions that the groups will be attending. Solos/duo/trios forms must be filled out by the parents and handed in to us. Payment is due with your forms. If you have not already it is not too late to sign up for Auto Debit and have your monthly fees withdrawn automatically from your account on the 1st of each month. Please see the front desk if you have any questions!

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Artistic director and owner/operator, Suzanne Zelmer, established dance Trance in July 1991. The dance school has grown from its initial student body of 37 dancers to Several Hundred dancers today. Dance Trance is a dance school specializing in the instruction, choreography, and performance of the following dance mediums: jazz, tap, ballet, modern, lyrical, Bollywood, musical theatre, acro, and hip-hop. Courses in modeling and acting are offered by Dance Trance in addition to dance classes.

www.dancetrancebc.com

**If you missed out now
is your last chance to
purchase Dance
Trance Logo Wear!!**



**Extras were ordered
(select sizes available)**

**See the front desk today to
inquire about available
sizes/styles and prices!!**