

TO THE POINTE

Victoria Academy of Ballet

December 2015



Winter Weather

Please note that VAB will follow school closures as announced by Victoria Public School District #61.

If snow begins to fall during the day, an email will go out to families by 3:00PM if the studios will be



closed due to weather.

Stay warm!



Cecchetti Examinations

Cecchetti Examinations have been scheduled for December 9th and 10th. The schedule has been emailed to parents and it will be posted on the studio bulletin board.

Extra classes for Grade 4 Candidates are as follows:

Mon Dec 7th 7:00-8:00

Tues Dec 8th 5:00-6:30 (new time)

Wishing all candidates the best of luck!

A Candy Cane Christmas

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Scholarship Society is excited to present "A Candy Cane Christmas: Solo Selections and Other Works" sponsored by the CIBC Children's Foundation at 3:00PM on December 13, 2015.



This is a free performance

showcasing some of our Professional Training Program and Bridge Program students. Many of the solos you will see will be taken to the Youth American Grand Prix competition in Seattle, Washington this January!

Tickets have sold out! If you have tickets that you are not planning to use, please return them to the VAB office so someone else can experience this fantastic showcase of VAB talent!

Holiday P.J. Day!

Saturday, December 12 is Holiday P.J. Day!

Come dressed in your favourite holiday themed P.J.'s, Onesies or attire.



VAB Scholarship Society News

This holiday season, as always, there is a wide variety of seasonal plays, concerts, ballets and other activities to choose from in Victoria with its rich cultural diversity.

We know this is an expensive time of year and so we are delighted to be able to give you, as our gift, A Candy Cane Christmas : Solo Selections and Other Works on Dec 13 at 3PM Metro Theatre at no cost to your family.

Your donation of non perishable food in exchange for your ticket goes to support The Rainbow Kitchen in Esquimalt. This non profit organization serves 36,000 meals a year with one paid kitchen manager and 200 volunteers.

Since September, 25 students have received substantial tuition assistance through funds raised by VABSS and through Grants. Again, we would like to acknowledge Mr. Jake Brumby from the CIBC Children's Foundation for its generous support. Recently, both Telus and Passion Sports have made donations.

We appreciate your contributions to the fundraising events this past Fall. If you check our VABSS Facebook page you will find regular updates about our latest efforts - Purdy's Chocolate Bars for stocking stuffers, gourmet Le Meadow's jam from Vancouver (perfect for Xmas morning breakfast) and Silk Road Tea with special VAB labels.

We know you will enjoy the performance on Dec 13. We expect it to be a joyous occasion. A number of local businesses have provided some wonderful gifts so keep your tickets until the end of the show as we will be drawing numbers for these prizes. Some lucky audience members will go home with an early Xmas present!



General Program winter break will run from December 13th to January 3rd and PTP/Bridge from December 19th to January 3rd.

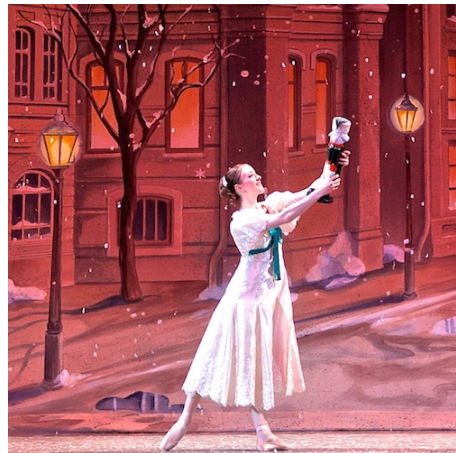
Please note, the VAB office will be closed from December 24th, 2015 to January 3rd, 2016.

Have a wonderful holiday season!

The Nutcracker

Alberta Ballet's The Nutcracker presented by Dance Victoria is just around the corner and many VAB students will be performing in this special event.

Performances run from Friday December 4th to Sunday December 6th at the Royal Theatre.



For more information or tickets to see the show please visit [Dance Victoria's Website](#).

Important Dates

December 9/10 - Cecchetti Examinations

December 12 - Last Day of Classes for Foundational & General Program Classes

December 13 - A Candy Cane Christmas: Solo Selections and Other Works the Metro Theatre

December 14 - Optional Make-up day from Thanksgiving

December 19 - Last day of Classes for PTP and Bridge Classes

December 24 to January 3 - VAB Office Closed

January 4 - First Day of classes after Winter Break

January 7 to 11 - YAGP Competition in Seattle

February 8 - Family Day, No Classes

February 10 - DanceWorks Soloist Spacing Rehearsal

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