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Musical Theatre Studio

Studio Express News

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Message from the Studio Director....

WELCOME!

I hope everyone is enjoying lessons as we begin the 2009/2010 season at the Saskatchewan Express Musical Theatre Studio!

I would like to take this time to welcome returning instructors Maegan Marshall, Claire Castle, Karlee Goby, Maire Coulthard (McDonald), Brittany Soriano, and Natasha Anderson (Pandila).

I would like to also introduce some new faces Morgan Moats, Zach Flis, Armando and Chrissy Bottaro and Tynan Wenarchuk.

And of course I am happy to welcome back Janelle Cannon (Eirich) and Elsa McKenzie to the studio. Elsa spent last season at the Canadian College of Performing Arts and Janelle was busy planning her wedding!

I also would like to congratulate Maire and Natasha on their weddings this past summer!

As a new year begins we also need to say goodbye to some familiar faces. Shannon Len, long time studio assistant has moved on to BC to further her education studies. We will miss her terribly, but are happy to have Wendy Howatt and Michele Glaze in the reception office during the week.

We also have many assistant instructors this year at the studio. These are the Intermediate and Senior students who are interested in passing on their knowledge and love of performance to younger students. Please read the bios in the lobby to learn more about our studio instructors and assistants.

As we move into the new studio year I would like to congratulate our dancers who attended the workshop and competition in Las Vegas. You definitely did us proud as the only Canadian dancers at the convention! It was a great experience for the dancers and parents.

AND a new treat this year, we will be hosting a studio Christmas Party on Saturday, December 12th from 12:00 – 2:00. Come on out for treats, crafts, games, karaoke, and a special visit from “Santa”. Invitations will be sent out in class starting November 23rd. We hope to see you there!

Megan Alfano

Please remember we accept on going registrations in our sessional classes.

We will be offering new sessions in:

Junior and Senior ACRO

ADULT HIP HOP

ADULT JAZZ/TAP

Junior and Senior DRAMA

AND

Brand New

**TECHNICAL THEATRE CLASS
(Lights and Sound)**

These classes are 10 week sessions at a cost of \$100 per session. Please come see us in reception if you are interested!

We even have room in some of our recital classes. If you are interested in trying a new class, now is the time!

RECITAL COSTUMES

Measuring for recital costumes will take place the week of December 7th – 12th. Please ensure you are in class this week to have measurements taken. If you are unable to be at class, please let us know in reception and we will make alternate arrangements.

ANNOUNCING. . .

The new 2009-2010 cast of the:

MINI EXPRESS

Jennifer Fong	Krystalee Kopec
Karlee Geiger	Ryan Ramsay
Alyna Gold	Maddy Schofield
Jaida Havervold	Sheriton Smith
Kelsey Howatt	Jill Warawa

THE EXPRESSIONS

Amy Fong	Cassie Metz
Melissa Fuller	Breanna Mills
Shelby Glaze	Taylor Paul
Hannah Martinson	Virginia Preikschat

The Mini Express and The Expressions regularly perform at such events as the Saskatchewan Express December Production, the Premiere Performance and community events, care homes and venues around Regina and the surrounding area. If you would like to inquire about booking the Mini Express and The Expressions, please contact Megan at megan@saskatchewanexpress.com.

Tickets for the Mini Express and The Expressions December Production at the MacKenzie Art Gallery will be available in reception. The groups will also be recording and selling a Christmas CD this year. Tickets and CD's will be available in reception during November. Please check them out!

We have a new performance group for ages 5- 8.

Please come and see the Mini A's perform at some of the performances with the Mini Express and The Expressions!

MINI A's

Kate Balkwill	Jordyn Keck
Chesney Langen Bell	Keaira Kopec
Kaylena Bonis	Caylee Psenica
Cassidy Flaman	Jenna Ramsay
Claire Henneberg	Zoe Reoch
Ellie Holgate	Marley Rumpel
Zach Hooker	Kiara Sullivan
Lily Howell	Nika Tolley
	Anne Warawa

PRESENTATIONS GALORE!

Our students love to perform for a real live audience. Here are some opportunities for family and friends to see all the hard work and catch your kids in action. Please plan to attend.

- **OPEN HOUSE DATES FOR RECITAL CLASSES**
Nov. 30th – Dec. 6th, 2009
- **THE MINI'S A, MINI EXPRESS AND THE EXPRESSIONS DECEMBER PRODUCTION**
Dec. 7th and 8th, 2009
- **MINI EXPRESS AND THE EXPRESSIONS FUNDRAISER**
May 15th and 16th, 2010
- **SING IT! DANCE IT! EXPRESS IT! STUDIO RECITAL**
Tuesday, June 1st, 2010

STUDIO EMAILS

A number of Studio emails have been sent out. If you have not received one, please see Wendy or Michele in reception to confirm we have the correct e-mail address.

...RECITAL 2009

"Peter Pan of the Prairies"
DVD's ARE NOW AVAILABLE
FOR PICK UP and PURCHASE

...Join SASKATCHEWAN EXPRESS for
Blue Champagne!

Performances will be held in the Shumiatcher Theatre at the MacKenzie Art Gallery in Regina December 2nd – 6th and December 9th – 13th.

Attention students!

Tickets are available for all **studio students** at a discounted price of \$10. Studio parents are welcome to see the show at a discounted price of \$20.

Tickets are valid for the Thursday, December 3rd show and the Thursday, December 10th show.

Please purchase tickets from the studio reception office

Regular ticket prices are \$25/adult and \$20/student/senior.



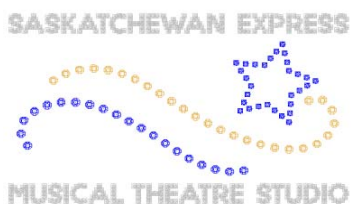
WHAT TO WEAR...WHAT TO BRING

Remember that our studio classes DO have a dress code.

Every year we ask that parents and students review the supplies and attire list you received with your original registration package or pick one up at the desk. Students should wear loose fitting clothing suitable for movement in all classes including Musical Theatre, Dance, and Drama. Students in Hip Hop require all white indoor runners and those in Tap require special tap shoes. Please review your list or check with your teacher. Jeans or other street attire and outdoor footwear are not allowed in class. All medium and long hair is to be secured tightly in a ponytail holder or with clips. Ballet instructors will be enforcing a strict policy that each student must be in tights and bodysuit, with their hair in a bun for each lesson. Drama students only need indoor runners and comfortable clothing, but no jeans. Some classes also require a binder and don't forget those pencils!

STUDIO ATTIRE

We will have studio attire available for purchase this season. Orders will be due by January 31st. Starting in January we will also have samples of the suits to see and try on. The suit will be a jacket and pant set in black with a white rhinestone star on the front left chest. Below is the template for the back of the jacket:



This is all done in crystal. There is also a boy's version that will be done in embroidery. Order forms will go home in December.

VIVA

LAS VEGAS

Congratulations to our students who danced and competed in Las Vegas July 13th – 18th, 2009. The dancers came home with 24 trophies and 2 outstanding awards. As well, congratulations to Taylor and Robyn who came in 8th overall in the Teen Duet division and Kelsey and Karlee who came in 9th overall in the Petite Duets division! The dancers (and moms) enjoyed the competition, the workshops, the shopping, the shows and the night life!



AND JUST ONE MORE THING...

Kindly have your child collected from the studio promptly after their class. The Studio is closed about five minutes after classes are completed in the evening. As we approach the slower traffic months, please make an effort to leave a few minutes earlier to pick up your children. We sure do appreciate it.



PLEASE REMEMBER:

...The Saskatchewan Express Studio is a NUT-free and PERFUME-free zone. Thank you for consuming all nut products at home and coming to class free of hair sprays, perfumes or colognes.



...And to keep all of our students safe please remind your children that there is no running in the hallways. We want to encourage walking to and from class, especially when they are in their tap shoes.

...And please place all outdoor shoes in the racks provided at the front doors. We need to keep our studio a safe and welcoming environment. Especially during the cold weather, when we all have extra boots and jackets.



Please make sure that all food is eaten in the kitchen area. We would like to keep the mess to a minimum and we all know that occasional spills do happen. If you use the kitchen, please kindly make sure your area is clean after use. Thank you from everyone at Saskatchewan Express.

STUDIO CALENDAR 2009-2010

Saturday, October 31 st	Happy Halloween Classes will run as scheduled
Wednesday, November 11 th	Remembrance Day No studio classes
November 30 th to December 6 th	Open House week Parents are invited to watch studio classes
Saturday, December 12 th 12:00 – 2:00	Studio Christmas Party
Sunday, December 20 th to Sunday, January 3 rd	Winter Break No Studio Classes
Monday, Jan 4 th	Studio Classes resume
Monday, February 15 th	Family Day No Studio Classes
Friday, April 2 nd to Sunday, April 11 th	Spring Break No Studio Classes
Monday, April 12 th	Studio Classes resume
Saturday, May 1 st Sunday, May 2 nd	Studio Recording Session Musical Theatre vocal classes ONLY Detailed Schedule to come
Friday, May 7 th Saturday, May 8 th	Studio photos for Recital classes only Detailed Schedule to come
Saturday, May 22 nd to Sunday, May 30 th	Recital Rehearsal Blitz *Regular class times are cancelled You will receive a NEW schedule for these days
Monday, May 31 st	Recital Technical Rehearsal *onstage at the Conexus Arts Centre
Tuesday, June 1 st	Recital DRESS REHEARSAL and SHOW *onstage at the Conexus Arts Centre