

# A.I.D.T.

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## Annual Subscription Fees

### September 2013 – August 2014

Subscription fees of \$125 are payable on or before September 1<sup>st</sup>. After December 1, 2013 there will be a 10% penalty added on a monthly basis. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

### Important Dates for Vancouver Island and Vancouver Area Teachers

**December 7-8, 2013**

New syllabus will be introduced. Attendance is mandatory.

1) **NEW SYLLABUS:** The new syllabus will replace the present Primary, Junior Lower, Junior Higher and Preparatory syllabi.

2) Please mark December 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>, 2013 on your calendars for the introduction of the syllabus work. Carol Sampson and Philippa Smit are currently in Johannesburg, South Africa receiving the new work. Carol Sampson will be presenting this new syllabus to us in Vancouver on December 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>. It is very important that you take advantage to receive this work first hand from an examiner.

3) Talia Belzil has kindly offered to hold the workshop at Essence of Dance studio in White Rock. White Rock has the closest location to the ferries for our Vancouver Island teachers. Talia has also done some research on hotels in the White Rock area for the Vancouver Island teachers.

This will be a good time to meet up with fellow teachers and we will have our **Annual General Dinner Meeting on Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup>**— details to follow.

### Important Dates for Nova Scotia and PEI Instructors:

New Syllabus will be introduced – Attendance is mandatory

Christelle Smit will be on the East coast of Canada in December and will be available to teach the work to the PEI and Nova Scotia teachers. Dates to be announced.

**PLEASE NOTE:** The new work will be optional from June 2014 and compulsory from June 2015. If you are unable to make these workshops in December you will have to pay independently to get the work from the June 2014 examiner.

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TO ALL THE A.I.D.T. ORGANIZERS AND  
TEACHERS IN CANADA  
(Letter from Des Ross)



I would like to say a few words to all the wonderful Canadian organisers and teachers who I have had the privilege to meet and whose studios I have had the pleasure of examining.

I am extremely proud to be a member of our prestigious society, the A.I.D.T, and it is with grateful thanks and humility that I thank each and every one of you for not only upholding the vision and aim of our society but also for being such amazing ambassadors for dance in general and the A.I.D.T. You all exhibit a high degree of professionalism and your dancers are well trained, beautifully groomed and so polite and well - mannered.

I loved my examining session in Canada and it is thanks to you all for your hospitality, your kindness and your organisation and professionalism. My meals were all beautifully presented and I so appreciated all you did. Thank you especially to those who had to transport us long distances as well as those who had many days of "fetching and carrying". Thank you to all, especially Margaret and Susan for helping so much with hosting and transporting my husband, Duncan. My sincere thanks to Ivan for "keeping Duncan busy" while I was examining.

It has been one of the best experiences of my life and both Duncan and I have memories that will stay with us forever.

God Bless you all and may your studios all go from strength to strength

Congratulations to all teachers and Studios for yet another very successful examining session. Mrs. Des Ross examined Las Vegas, P.E.I. and Nova Scotia then travelled to BC to examine the Vancouver mainland. Mrs. Carole Sampson was kept very busy examining on Vancouver Island. Both were very happy with the standard of work and how well they were looked after in each centre. Thank you teachers!



### BURSARY WINNERS 2013

**Picked by Mrs. Des Ross**

**Junior Modern**

**Caitlin Bush** – Junior Higher  
Essence of Dance

**Intermediate Modern**

**Samantha Nelson** – Preliminary Junior  
Centre Stage

**Advanced Modern**

**Shelby Greaves** - Elementary  
CentreStage

**Courtney Zelter** - Intermediate  
Essence of Dance

**JuniorTap**

**Kate Gombar** – Yellow Star  
Tri City

**Intermediate Tap**

**Jada Nacario** – Silver Lower  
Tri City

**Advanced Tap**

**Matisse Maitland** - Gold Higher  
Tri City

**Picked by Mrs. Carole Sampson**

**Junior Modern**

**Abigaile Gibralt** -Primary  
Laurie Tinkler School of Dance

**Intermediate Modern**

**Hannah MacDonald** – Final Grade  
West Shore

**Advanced Modern**

**Kennedy Ledingham**  
Christine Kennedy-Triple Heat

**JuniorTap**

**Rebecca Tazumi** – Yellow Star  
Kathy Mascia School of Dance

**Intermediate Tap**

**Cassidy Chalk** – Bronze Lower  
Sandra Barker

**Advanced Tap**

**Shana Wolfe** - Gold Lower  
Sandra Barker





## CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING

### Modern 1A

Mackenzie Ruthuen

### Full Associate Modern

Janine Halusiak  
Katie McFarlane

### Advanced Associate Tap

Sara Close

### Full Advanced Tap

Janine Halusiak  
Sandra Barker

### We welcome new associate member:

Paula Ruddy, Hamilton Ontario



### Intermediate Modern

#### Honours

Alana Koolen  
Tess McLaughen

#### Honours with Distinction

Shana Wolfe  
Rylee Newsom  
Kennedy Ledingham  
Liam Galway  
Emma Garland  
Samantha Rizzuto  
Courtney Zelter

#### Tap

#### Gold Lower

#### Honours with Distinction

Hailey Kragely  
Isabele Soares  
Rylee Newsom  
Meghan Caine  
Shana Wolfe  
Virginia Stephenson

#### Gold Higher Tap

#### Honours

Larissa Horobec

#### Honours with Distinction

Nishi-Beckingham  
Matisse Maitland  
Brittany Tucker

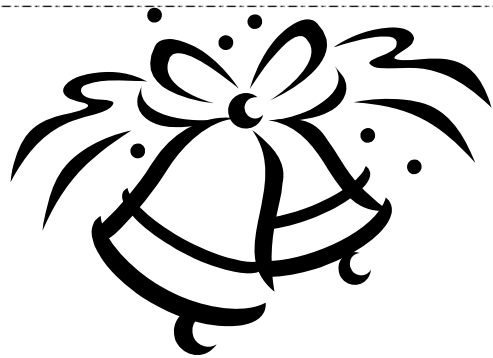


## NEWS

Ten girls from Carlson's School of Dance traveled to California July 9-16 to take part in Dance the Magic's Summer Dance Classic in Disneyland. The girls took class behind the scenes, performed in two parades and on stage



Kim Robb welcomes another grand baby: Sarah Robb Guttierrez. born in Mexico 6 weeks early. Mom and baby are doing great!



Alicia Kinsman married Kyle Fortin  
July 27, 2013 in Squamish