

TERM 1 NEWSLETTER 19th FEBRUARY 2018

WELCOME TO 2018!!!

We hope you have enjoyed our first week back to dancing! AMJAZZ welcomes all of our new dancers and their families for 2018! All new dancers must complete and return an Enrolment Form. Please return this by placing it in the studio mailbox in the studio waiting room. Enrolment Forms are available in each studio waiting room if you need a new one.

NOT RETURNING???

All dancers are automatically enrolled Term by Term and Year by Year. If you do not intend to return to class in 2018 please notify the AMJAZZ office via phone or email as soon as possible.

TERM DATES 2018

Term 1: Monday 05 February 2018 - Friday 13 April 2018

Term 2: Monday 30 May 2018 - Friday 13 July 2018*

Term 3: Monday 16 July 2018 – Friday 28 September 2018*

Term 4: Monday 15 October 2017 - Saturday 08 December 2018

*Exam Classes continue through the July School Holidays.

Mini Movers and Pre-Intro Classes finish Term 2 on Friday 06th July and start Term 3 on Monday 23rd July 2018. There are no classes on public holidays:

Good Friday – Friday 30th March 2018 / Easter Monday – Monday 02nd April 2018 / Queens Birthday – Monday 04th June 2018 / Labour Day – Monday 22nd October 2018.

AMJAZZ STAFFING for 2018

PAM SHANKS - Director of AMJAZZ Dance Studios

NIKKI WILKINSON – Principal Dance Teacher at AMJA22 Dance Studios. Nikki will be teaching Jazz, Contemporary, Performance Classes and Aerial Body Conditioning.

SANDRA BLACKLEDGE – Administration

BRONWYN WOOLFORD – Mini Movers and Pre Intro Jazz

THACIA VAN ARENDONK – Hip Hop, Contemporary, Jazz, Junior Tap and Performance Classes

TAMZIN COFFIN – Contemporary and AcroDance

KERIANA WHATARAU – Senior Tap

JANE TRASK – Aerial Body Conditioning and Stretch/Leap/Spin class

RENEE HEFFERNAN – Aerial Body Conditioning

Check out the staff bios on our website!

We also have training teachers this year in all genres and you will see these dancers in classes throughout the year; Josh McGrath, Erykha Levae, Asjah Doctor, Phoebe Gower-Rudman, Madeleine Aislabie, Jessie Taylor

<u>AMJAZZ HOURS</u>

Office Hours: Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays 9.00am - 1.00pm

Outside of these hours please leave a phone message or contact us via email – info@amjazz.co.nz.

Please Note: The AMJAZZ Office is not located at the studio.

Studio Hours: Monday to Thursday 3.00pm - 9.30pm and Fridays 3.00pm - 6.15pm

SECOND LESSONS

Second lessons for All Elementary, Intermediate, Advanced and Open Inter Jazz start in <u>Term 2</u>. Dancers are only charged for the second lessons that they attend. The cost for the lessons the dancer attends is added to the following Terms Account.

The cost for second lessons in 2018 is: 45min classes = \$11.50 & 60min Classes = \$14.50

ADDITIONAL CLASSES FOR 2018

STRETCH, LEAP, SPIN: Thursdays between 7.30pm and 8.30pm in Studio 2, with Jane. This class is open to dancers from 12yrs old.

JUNIOR PERFORMANCE CLASS: Fridays between 3.45pm - 4.45pm in Studio 2, with Thacia & Nikki. This class is open to dancers from Elem 1 - 3 Jazz, Level 5, 6, Hip Hop, Level 5 & 6 Contemporary.

These classes will be FREE to dancers that currently do 2 or more dance styles at AMJAZZ. If you only do 1 style of dance and are interested in doing this class the cost is \$18.00 per lesson. Anyone interested in attending this class must register with the Office before attending.

BOYS HIP HOP: Tuesdays between 5.15pm – 6.00pm in Studio 2 with Thacia. These classes are free of charge to boys enrolled into an exam class with AMJAZZ, otherwise the cost is \$150.00 per term. Anyone interested in attending this class must register with the Office before attending.

ACRODANCE – This new class with Tamzin is exciting and challenging, combining dance and gymnastics! Junior class – Tuesdays 4.30pm – 5.15pm and Senior class Thursday 4.30pm – 5.15pm. Class is \$150.00 per term, please contact the office to enrol.

UNIFORM DAYS

It is compulsory for all dancers to be in their AMJAZZ uniform for Terms 2 and 3. We will be holding our annual uniform days on Friday 16th March, Saturday 17th March and Sunday 18th March 2018 – times are still to be confirmed. Please mark these dates on your calendar!

A flyer detailing what uniform is required for your dancer, and the times for uniform days will be issued in class in mid-February.

Uniforms are to be paid for when they are ordered – No payment = No Uniform.

SECOND-HAND UNIFORM

Don't forget we have a number of second-hand items (uniforms and shoes) available for purchase on the second hand rack in the Studio 1 waiting room.

If you have items to sell – please make sure you complete and attach a green tag to the item(s) you are selling and place the item(s) on the rack or in the plastic box.

AMJAZZ is not responsible for any items being left for purchase on the second hand rack.

<u>UP AND COMING WORKSHOP 2018</u>

Phoenix Dance Workshop, featuring amazing international teachers and choreographers, will be held on Saturday 21st April and Sunday 22nd April 2018 in Hamilton. This workshop is open to dancers from 9 years of age.

Information regarding these workshop and costs will be issued in class once it is available to us.

Rotorua Dance Competitions – this annual event is open to dancers in all genres in a wide range of age groups! Held at the Rotorua Civic Theatre during the 2_{nd} week of the school holidays – check out our studio noticeboards for further information.

Mark these dates on your calendar!

TERM 1 ACCOUNTS

For returning dancers — Term 1 Accounts have been sent out. The Early Payment Discount Date is **Friday 16**th **February 2018**. If you pay your term fee in full before the early payment discount date, \$10 can be deducted from the amount owing.

<u>For new dancers</u> – accounts will be sent out after the dancer has attended their 3rd lesson. The Early Payment Discount Date will be 2 weeks after invoice has been issued, and is applicable if your account is paid in full. ALL term accounts are required to be paid in full 4 weeks prior to the end of the term – **Friday 16th March 2018**. Any accounts not paid in full by the required date will incur an administration fee of \$25.00, (as per our payment policy fee), unless prior arrangements have been made by the account holder. We have a zero-tolerance for unpaid accounts.

Please remember that the Office will contact you regarding your account via email or post – depending on what option you choose on your enrolment form.

Phone calls will not be made as a reminder.

SHOW DVD'S and PHOTOS

The DVD of our 2017 production "The Pop Up Princess vs The King of Pop" is currently being proofed and copied and will be distributed in class within the next few weeks.

Concert photos can be viewed in the photo album in Studio 1. Orders for photos can be placed with our photographer - Natascha through her Facebook page - http://www.facebook.com/photosbynatascha No photo payments are to be made through AMJAZZ, please make arrangements to pay Natascha directly.

A selection of Concert Photos has been loaded onto our Gallery Page on our website – go check them out! www.amjazz.co.nz

CONTACT DETAILS

If you have recently moved, changed your contact details or would like to change your Term account and newsletters to email, please do not forget to update your contact details with us.

If you have any questions or queries regarding classes or the studio please contact us in the AMJAZZ office. We are looking forward to sharing another successful year with you all!!

Pam, Nikki and the AMJAZZ team