

MAY 2018 RECREATIONAL DIVISION BULLETIN

IMPORTANT CALENDAR REMINDERS

April 30 – May 18	Manitoba Provincial Dance Festival
May 2 – 6	RWB Company presents Carmina Burana and Serenade
May 21	Victoria Day – No Classes
May 24 – 26	RWB School, Professional Division, Presents Spotlight
May 26	Mandatory Meeting for all Dance Spectrum Parent Volunteers
May 27 & June 3	RWB Intensive Training Program and Dance Ensemble Auditions

RWB SCHOOL YEAR-END RECITALS: DANCE SPECTRUM

If you have not yet purchased your tickets for Dance Spectrum, you are still in luck! Tickets are available through the RWB Customer Service Office at 380 Graham Avenue, online or by calling 204.956.2792 or 1.800.667.4792 (toll free).

Dance Spectrum #1 - Saturday, June 16 - 6:30 pm at the Manitoba Centennial Concert Hall

Dance Spectrum #2 – Sunday, June 17 – 1:00 pm at the Manitoba Centennial Concert Hall

Dance Spectrum #3 – Sunday, June 17 - 6:30 pm at the Manitoba Centennial Concert Hall

Please note that students who are in only one half of the show are welcome to sit free of charge in the specified “student seating” for the other half of the show. They will require a ticket if they will be joining parents in the audience. Running orders for the show are posted in the atrium.

Costumes are provided by the RWB wardrobe department for the most part. Students may be asked to wear part of the RWB School uniform or pieces of their own clothing as part of the costume.

Once again, the RWB School is pleased to offer for purchase class photos and DVDs of our year end recitals as a keepsake. The photos are scheduled to be taken during the students’ dress rehearsal and DVDs are recorded of each of the recitals.

- Photo (Digital and Hard Copy) \$17
- DVD \$25
- Orders will be accepted May 28 - June 28, 2018.

DANCE SPECTRUM VOLUNTEERS

Every year, we are grateful for the large number of parent volunteers who help our shows run smoothly backstage. Interested parents can sign up by contacting our Parent Volunteer coordinator, Sydney Barber, at sbarber@rwb.org. If classes are missing volunteers, the School Office will be contacting parents to inquire about their interest in joining our volunteer team!

FAQ

1. If I volunteer do I have to volunteer for both the dress rehearsal and performance? YES
2. If I volunteer, will I miss my child's performance? NO, volunteers will be allowed to watch from the front at dress rehearsal and from backstage at the performance.
3. Do I have to pay for a ticket? Absolutely not!
4. How will I know what to do? A meeting will be scheduled for all volunteers to go over their duties.

RWB DANCE ENSEMBLE AND INTENSIVE TRAINING PROGRAM AUDITIONS

Auditions for our Intensive Training Program and Dance Ensemble groups will be held during the last week of May and first week of June. Students who are currently registered in eligible classes and levels will be emailed information regarding these auditions. Please speak with your child's teacher if you have any questions about the Intensive Training Program or our Dance Ensemble groups!

Sunday, May 27th

Junior Tap DE Audition (2017-18 RWB Tap Levels 3 - 5A)	10:00 am - 10:30 am
Inter Tap DE Audition (2017-18 RWB Tap Levels 5B - 6B)	10:45 am - 11:15 am
Senior Tap DE Audition (2017-18 RWB Tap Levels 7+)	11:30 am - 12:00 pm
Junior 1 ITP Audition (2017-18 RWB Ballet Level 5A and Pre-ITP)	12:15 pm - 1:30 pm
Junior 2 ITP Audition (2017-18 RWB Ballet Level 5B and Junior 1 ITP)	1:45 pm - 3:00 pm
Intermediate ITP Audition (2017-18 Ballet RWB Level 6A+ and Junior 2 ITP)	3:15 pm - 4:30 pm

Sunday, June 3rd

Junior Jazz DE Audition (2017-18 RWB Jazz Levels 5A)	10:00 am - 10:30 am
Inter Jazz DE Audition (2017-18 RWB Jazz Levels 5B - 6)	10:45 am - 11:15 am
Senior Jazz DE Audition (2017-18 RWB Jazz Levels 7 & 8)	11:30 am - 12:00 pm
Junior Hip Hop DE Audition (2017-18 RWB Hip Hop Levels 4 & 5A)	12:15 pm - 12:45 pm
Inter/Sr Hip Hop DE Audition (2017-18 RWB Hip Hop Levels 5B+)	1:00 pm - 1:30 pm
Junior Musical Th DE Audition (2017-18 RWB Musical Theatre Levels 2 - 4)	1:45 pm - 2:15 pm
Inter Musical Th DE Audition (2017-18 RWB Musical Theatre Levels 5A & 5B)	2:30 pm - 3:00 pm
Senior Musical Th DE Audition (2017-18 RWB Musical Theatre Levels 6+)	3:15 pm - 3:45 pm

2018-19 REGULAR SESSION REGISTRATION

RWB School registration is fast approaching! Parents and families of current RWB students will have an exclusive opportunity to secure registration appointments starting on Tuesday, May 8, 2018 at 10:00 am. On Tuesday, May 22, 2018, appointments will be made available to the general public and will continue to be open to returning RWB students. Class Registration will run from June 20-23 and June 25-28, 2018.

All registration appointment bookings will be available on a first come, first served basis, and classes will fill quickly. An appointment is required to register for classes during the designated registration period. We will not be able to provide registration support without a scheduled appointment.

Appointments are to be made at www.rwb.org/register. We are unable to book appointments for registration over the phone.

Please note that you do not require your child's placement level in order to book an appointment. Further information can be obtained by contacting the RWB School Office.

ADULT SUMMER DANCE JULY 2 - AUGUST 2

Adult Summer Dance is a five-week RWB School Recreational Division program for adults of all ages and skill levels. Whether you're an experienced dancer looking to refine your technique or a beginner keen to try something new, Adult Summer Dance has just the class to meet your needs. Classes are available in ballet, tap, jazz, hip hop and modern dance with various options to suit your summer schedule. Be sure to take advantage of this unique opportunity to strengthen your body, focus your mind and express your individual style this summer – not to mention have some fun!

For the schedule and registration information visit www.rwb.org/adultsummerdance

DANCE INTENSIVE JULY 30 – AUGUST 11

Training in the summer months allows dancers to stay in shape and tune up before regular classes start in September. New to DI-18 this year is the parent and family showcase on the final day of the program! All dancers will be working with Guest Teacher Philippe Larouche on an original piece of choreography. Senior level dancers will have an opportunity to work with RWB Dancers Yayoï Ban and Katie Bonnell!

For information and to register visit www.rwb.org/danceintensive

SPOTLIGHT - FEATURING COPPÉLIA

Spotlight is the culmination of the work these dancers put in each year. Taking what for some is their first stop onto the stage, 80 young artists from across Canada and around the world promise to give audiences of all ages and tastes something to rave about!

Thursday, May 24 - 7:30 pm

Friday, May 25 - 7:30 pm

Saturday, May 26 - 2:00 pm

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Dr. Coppélius, a lonely and eccentric toymaker, has fashioned a beautiful life-size doll, Coppélia, who obeys his every command. As she sits placidly on the balcony, she catches the eye of young Franz, who is immediately smitten, much to the displeasure of his fiancé, Swanhilda.

Though it first premiered in 1870, it has been argued that this comedy of mistaken identity, based on stories by E.T.A. Hoffmann, is the first “feminist” ballet.

The real heroine of this lively, classical ballet, is not the compliant Coppélia, but the feisty Swanhilda. Vexed by her fiancé’s wandering eye, Swanhilda quickly takes control of the plot, outwitting both Dr. Coppélius and her fickle fiancé. Comic chaos ensues!

Tickets are available through the RWB Customer Service Office at 380 Graham Avenue, online or by calling 204.956.2792 or 1.800.667.4792 (toll free).

SHARING DANCE

Join Canada's Royal Winnipeg Ballet School for the nation's biggest dance celebration!

SHARING DANCE DAY

Friday, June 1

10:15AM - 12:15PM

University of Winnipeg Axworthy Health and Rec Plex

Enjoy performances by Canada's Royal Winnipeg Ballet, Winnipeg Contemporary Dancers, B.O.S.S. Dance Team, Folklorama Talent, Q Dance & Ella Steele!

Whether you register and learn the routine or would like to come and watch the festivities, it's FREE and we would love to see you there! Please visit rwb.org/sharingdance for more information.

MANITOBA PROVINCIAL DANCE FESTIVAL

RWB School Dance Ensemble students will be performing at the Manitoba Provincial Dance Festival from April 30 – May 18, 2018, at the Pantages Playhouse Theatre. All participants have been emailed a festival schedule, which has also been posted in the atrium. Dance Manitoba presents its annual festival gala on May 18th, where all scholarship recipients and adjudicators choice pieces will be recognized. For more information about the Manitoba Provincial Dance Festival and Gala you can visit <https://www.dancemb.org/festival.html>

NEW BUILDING HOURS

We would like to thank all parents and students who provided us with feedback in regards to RWB building security and maintenance over the last year. We take your input very seriously and, after a lengthy review and consultation process, we will be rolling out some changes over the coming months in service of improvements in these areas.

We are pleased to report that the RWB has added an additional cleaning/maintenance professional to the facilities team. This individual will be on site Monday-Friday from 8:00-11:00 pm. Please continue to bring building concerns to the attention of the person at the School Office on the 2nd floor or at the Customer Service desk on the 1st floor in a timely fashion so that we can deal with issues as promptly as possible.

Please note the following changes to our Box Office hours and Security on site:

April 9-April 30, 2018

Box Office hours will remain 9:00am-10:00pm with Toro Security also onsite from 8:00pm until RWB building closure Monday-Friday.

May 1-July 1, 2018

Box Office hours will change to 9:00am-8:00pm with Toro Security onsite from 8:00pm until RWB building closure Monday-Friday.

Beginning July 2, 2018

Box Office hours will be 12noon-8:00pm with Toro Security onsite for RWB building closure Monday-Friday.

Weekend Box Office hours will remain the same:

Saturday 8:30am-5:00pm

Sunday 11:00am-4:00pm

We would also like to advise you that the change in School Office hours which were introduced in January will become permanent for the remainder of the 2017-18 school year.

Monday-Friday 8:00am-8:00pm

Saturday 8:30am-5:00pm

Sunday 11:00am- 4:30pm

Important information about DISCOUNTED RD PARKING tickets:

Please be advised that effective Tuesday, May 1 discounted parking tickets will no longer be available for purchase after the Box Office closes at 8:00pm on weekdays.

Please purchase your discounted parking tickets BEFORE 8:00pm or buy in bulk in advance.

STUDENT ACCOMPLISHMENTS

We are always eager to know of any student accomplishments in the dance world outside of the RWB! Please email school@rwb.org to share any accomplishments that you would like to share with us.

REMINDERS!

- We ask parents to please ensure their child(ren) are using the stairs whenever possible, and that they are not using the elevator unnecessarily. We have been informed of many instances of children playing in the elevator and for their safety and that of others, we ask that this not continue.
- Please refrain from using the automated accessibility button located at the entries to the RWB building unless you require its use.
- We ask that students who are sick stay home to rest. This will provide their bodies the opportunity to heal and will eliminate the spread of illness to their classmates. Students recovering from injury are encouraged to observe their classes and participate to the best of their ability. Speak to your child's teacher about how best to manage their injury.
- All belongings should be locked in lockers to avoid theft. The RWB School cannot be responsible for lost or stolen articles. Items left in public areas (i.e., outside of studios or in waiting areas) will be removed and placed in our school office until their owner returns to retrieve them. We ask that any incidences of vandalism or theft be reported to the School Office so that we can work to ensure a safe and positive environment for all.
- Please refrain from idling vehicles in the drive-thru when waiting for children.