

BLYTHE THEATRE ARTS

WELCOME PACK

ABOUT US:

AMY COLE (NÉE JOBLING)



"I started Blythe when I was only 3 years old and thoroughly enjoyed my time there and made lifelong friends. Whilst at Blythe, I passed many NATD exams with high marks, participated in Mardi Gras at Sadlers Wells and Her Majesty's Theatre, various dance festivals and the particular highlights for me were the Shows at Thameside theatre. Whilst at Blythe I attended a 2 year dance diploma course at Havering College of Further & Higher education. At 18 years old I went to study at The Centre Professional Performing Arts College for 3 years where I obtained a Dance Diploma and my full professional teaching qualifications in Ballet, Tap and Modern.

Since graduating, I have had many performing jobs including Bucks Fizz UK Splash Tour, various music videos and choreographing many shows. My true passion is teaching and have now been teaching for 14 years and still thoroughly enjoy it. I've taught at numerous dance schools across Essex and I'm extremely proud to have 100% exam pass rate. In 2010 I opened my own dance school 'Illusions Dance Academy' based in Epping and Loughton, which is growing from strength to strength. I'm so thrilled to have a career in dance that I've always dreamt of.

The continued support Blythe has always shown to me throughout my training and career has been amazing and I'm truly grateful for this opportunity to take over the Saturday classes. I'm looking forward to putting all my energy and using my experience to continue Sue, Ann and Debbie's wonderful work and look forward to pursuing the success and the love of dance that Blythe has always given."

AMY ROSS



"I joined Blythe when I was three years old. I attended the school for thirteen years and, in that time, took part in various festivals, Mardis Gras and, of course, NATD exams. After leaving Blythe at 16 I attended a two-year dance course at Havering College of Further & Higher Education, before going on to study Musical Theatre for three years at the prestigious Laine Theatre Arts. Since leaving college, my performing jobs have ranged from stage to screen such as touring children's theatre, choreographing pantomime as well as roles in BBC's Doctors & E4's 'My Mad Fat Diary'.

Blythe has always felt like a second family to Amy & I so to be given this opportunity is a dream come true! We cannot wait to continue the success, love and passion it brings to its pupils."

OUR AIMS FOR THE SCHOOL:

Since becoming the new Principals of Blythe Theatre Arts, we continue to try and get the best out of our students both in & outside of class, creating friendships and building confidence. We aim to take part in regular examinations with the NATD which is a fantastic base for the children's technique, knowledge and performance. We also hope to give our students every opportunity to have fun, learn lots and keep enjoying dancing with us!

WHAT'S ON:

After the success of adding both Street & Musical Theatre to our school timetable over the last year, we are also delighted to announce that we will be offering a brand new **Gymnastic Dance class** to our students from September on a Wednesday afterschool for children aged 5-18. This class is designed to develop strength, flexibility, agility, coordination and technique, incorporating gymnastic tricks with dance.

TERM DATES:

- TERM 1:** Saturday 9th September - 21st October 2023 (7 weeks)
TERM 2: Saturday 4th November - 16th December 2023 (6 weeks)
TERM 3: Saturday 13th January - 17th February 2024 (6 weeks)
TERM 4: Saturday 2nd March - 23rd March 2024 (4 weeks)
TERM 5: Saturday 13th April - 25th May 2024 (7 weeks)
TERM 6: Saturday 8th June - 20th July 2024 (7 weeks)

SATURDAY TIMETABLE:

Group	Time	Subjects	Price per week
Blythe Bear (Age 3+)	9.00-10.00AM	Ballet, Tap, Modern	£8.00
Class Exam	9.00-10.30AM	Ballet, Tap, Modern, Street	£10.00
Primary	9.00-11.00AM	Ballet, Tap, Modern, Street	£12.50
Grade 1 & 2	11.00-1.15PM	Ballet, Tap, Modern, Street	£15.00
Grade 3, 4 & 5	1.15-3.45PM	Ballet, Tap, Modern, Street	£17.50

WEDNESDAY TIMETABLE:

Group	Time	Subjects	Price per week
Ages 5-11	4.45-5.30PM	Musical Theatre	£5 or £6.50 for newbies
Ages 5-11	5.30-6.15PM	Gymnastic Dance	£5 or £6.50 for newbies
Age 12+	4.45-5.30PM	Gymnastic Dance	£5 or £6.50 for newbies
Age 12+	5.30-6.15PM	Musical Theatre	£5 or £6.50 for newbies

*Discounted price for current students of £9 if attending both classes

**Discounted price for new students of £11 if attending both classes

FEES:

Fees are payable by the first day of term. **No refunds or allowances can be made for absence.** Continuously late or refusal to pay fees will not be tolerated and action will be taken. The school's bank details shall be found on the half-termly invoice payable via bank transfer.

PLEASE NOTE: Pupils who do not wish to continue with lessons, formal notice must be given 4 weeks in advance via email to info@blytheta.co.uk.

UNIFORM:

Please visit our online dance store for all Ballet, Tap and Modern uniform - blt.mydancestore.co.uk

For all outerwear and Street dance uniform** please order this via email - info@blytheta.co.uk

For Street dance please wear Blythe Theatre Arts t shirt, black leggings and indoor (clean) trainers

Please find our **TERMS & CONDITIONS** document also attached within the email. Any questions that you may have, please contact us via email to which we will respond to as soon as possible.

Best wishes,

Amy & Amy

Principals of Blythe Theatre Arts