
Rachel's Ballet SHOWCASE

TRAINING AND INSPIRING DANCERS AND TEACHERS OF TOMORROW



Saturday, May 26, 2018
Ohlone College Jackson Theater
43600 Mission Boulevard • Fremont CA



DIRECTOR'S NOTE – MAY 2018



Dear Parents & Guests:

What an exciting 2017-2018 School year this has been! Witnessing each level progress so much in preparation for exams was incredibly rewarding. In addition, all teachers felt exams went extremely well and that every student was happy. Paula Lau, the RAD examiner, noted that she could see the care and attention to detail evident in each dancer as well as the personal attention each teacher gave to students through their dancing. I felt very proud of our wonderful teachers and wanted to commend them for a job well done to help each individual succeed. As I was talking to the examiner, I told her how very blessed we are to have such wonderful RAD teachers all working to provide a safe and caring environment for the students. My vision is to continue to provide this healthy environment that will cultivate growth.

We had a successful competition year headed by our competition director, Ms. Isabelle Sjahsam. She took the lead in registering for competitions, providing information to teachers and students, and

assisting all groups in every competition when other teachers were not able to attend for their dances.

The competitions were a wonderful opportunity for me to again see the amazing talent of our students, as well as the thoughtful choreography from our teachers. The energy, music choices, and passion from everyone were phenomenal. I am particularly proud of the way our dancers perform on stage with strong technique and artistry. In addition to the hard work of all our teachers, I believe that this high technical standard is in part a result of our new Stretch and Conditioning Class, pioneered by Ms. Sharon Kung.

On the topic of competitions, our little Claire Werner will be off to the YAGP Finals in New York for receiving the Hope Award. Ms. Maria LaMance has the privilege of attending with her this year and will keep everyone posted.

We are also very glad that our Claire Wu has returned for a second try at the Genee Competition, which will be held in early

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DIRECTOR'S NOTE – MAY 2018 (CONTINUED)

August in Hong Kong. Both Ms. Leigh Ann Koelsch and I will be there to support her as well as her wonderful parents. We thank Cynthia Lin, Claire Wu's mother, for editing much of our music as well as putting our Annual Showcase music together for us this year. She is so efficient and gets the work done in such a timely and accurate manner that it helps lessen our stress for the showcase.

A special Master Class taught by Mr. Gary Masters and Ms. Danielle De Ojeda also went smoothly, and I was glad to see that students enjoyed it so much. I hope Mr. Gary will be able to return to do more Master Classes for us in the future. I am excited to report that he would like us to send a couple of our competition pieces to be showcased in his sjDANCEco company next year.

Thank you, Ms. Bambi Fleeman, for generously providing your delicious cooking for Rachel's Ballet events.

Thank you, Ms. Maria LaMance, for taking charge of redoing the last minute lineups for the showing.

We are very lucky to have new-comer, Ms. Melissa James, who dedicated her time consolidating our uniform information and adding a new feature to our website where parents can order uniforms by clicking one link. We are so grateful for her technical prowess in teaching and her technological prowess in web design.

As our 2017-2018 concludes, we would like to welcome a few new members to

our Rachel's Ballet Family: Mr. David Eck will co-teach our new Partnering Class, Mr. Frankie Mendoza will be our Hip Hop teacher, and Ms. Danielle de Ojeda will be our Acro and Jazz teacher. We are also excited to debut the new Pre Pointe program coming up at both studio locations headed by Ms. Karen Millar as well as Ms. Melissa James. They are using a program that has been developed and proven to be effective training for students to get their feet ready for pointe work.

I know many of you will be off to other endeavors during this summer. We hope that this year has been a learning year for technical and emotional growth. I wanted to wish our two senior graduates, Karen Zhu and Alina Kim, the best of luck as they move forward with their lives. I wanted to congratulate them for becoming such beautiful dancers and beautiful people, all due to their desire to juggle school responsibilities while keeping their love of dance alive. We will miss them.

To parents and teachers, the 2017-2018 school year is almost over and you have been instrumental in each child's success. Thank you for being here tonight and we wish everyone safe travels for the summer, and we look forward to seeing you again for another productive year at Rachel's Ballet.

Sincerely,

Rachel Tan

Director, Rachel's Ballet

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ASHLEY BISHOP



DANIELLE DE OJEDA



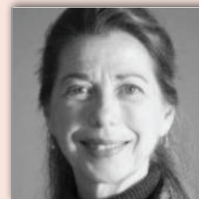
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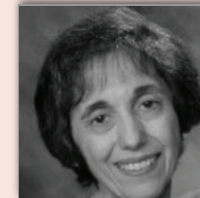
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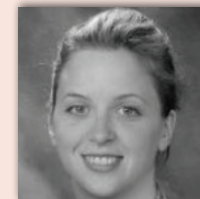
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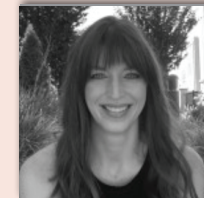
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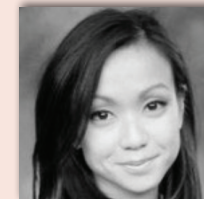
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SHARON KUNG



KAREN MILLAR



CONNIE ZAUG

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATING SENIORS



ALINA KIM

Since I can remember, I have been in awe of the seemingly effortless grace of these ethereal beings called ballerinas. They inspired me with their grace, beauty, and absolute control. 3 years ago with much trepidation, I nervously leapt towards the decade long yearning in my heart and joined Rachel's Ballet at age 15. I was terrified and sure I would fail, never to get far. However under the expert tutelage of such talented and accommodating instructors, I've learned to work through my fears and flourished. Today after 3 years, I've learned to have the fortitude, strength, and discipline to overcome my insecurities about dancing. It has given me the confidence that I can now do anything I put my mind to. As I move on from Foothill High School to UC Davis as a Biology major on the Pre-Medicine track, I take this confidence with me and into another new exciting journey.

I cannot fully express my gratitude for having the immense privilege to dance alongside such talented pre-professional dancers and to have received a spectacular dance education. All I can say is that you have all truly enriched and changed my life forever and taught me it's never too late to start something new that you love.

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KAREN ZHU

They say you never forget your first love. I know that's true because dancing was mine, and I know I'll never forget it. Dancing at Rachel's Ballet for the past thirteen years has been such a delight. From my earliest memories of wearing a pink leotard in my first classes to completing my final RAD exam, I can confidently say that some of my best memories were made here in the studio.

Dancing has never come easily to me, but it has taught me more than anything I'll ever learn from a textbook in school. It has taught me passion, discipline, and dedication. I've learned to have razor sharp focus; I've learned to be grateful for all things. The applicable life lessons I'm walking away with from my time here are the most important to me.

I am beyond appreciative of all the opportunities I have had at the studio to grow and become a better version of myself. Being a dancer is a process- one that has had its ups and downs, one that has been downright difficult and frustrating at times. However, through the toil, I've come to realize how lucky I am to be part of an adventure that brings out the best and worst in me. I get to experience joy, disappointment, and everything in between while doing something that I love. I've learned to enjoy the process, because I have a choice to. By taking on a positive approach to something that is both engaging and grueling, I am stronger, more confident, more responsible, and more optimistic than I have ever been before.

I want to thank all my past and current teachers, dancers, and family for their endless support and encouragement. This June, I will be graduating from Mission San Jose High School. In the fall, I will be attending UC Santa Cruz, pursuing a major in psychology with, hopefully, still a toe in dance.

SOLOS

This year we had so many soloists (some with multiple solos) that we were unable to feature them all in our Showcase due to time constraints. Please take a moment to read over the list of our talented soloists to appreciate all the hard work the teachers, students, and parents put in to make these special dances possible.

1. CASSIDY JOHNSTON
Don't Walk... Run!
Coach/Choreographer:
Evan Johnston

2. CLARICE LAI
Wildwood Race
Coach/Choreographer:
Evan Johnston

3. CAITLYN WONG
Dazzling Doll
Choreographer:
Ashley Bishop
Coach: Evan Johnston

4. ALYSSA BONDOY
Morning Star
Choreographer:
Ashley Bishop
Coach: Evan Johnston

5. EUNICE LAI
Match Point
Coach/Choreographer:
Melissa James

6. MARIA NOVAK
Burgundy Brilliance
Coach/Choreographer:
Melissa James

7. JORDAN CHEN
Classical Fairytale
Coach/Choreographer:
Melissa James

Beyond This Moment
Coach/Choreographer:
Isabelle Sjhsam

8. CLAIRE WERNER
Dream
Coach/Choreographer:
Leigh Ann Koelsch

Festivo
Coach/Choreographer:
Maria LaMance

Lilac Fairy Variation
Coach/Choreographer:
Maria LaMance

Esmerelda Variation
Coach/Choreographer:
Maria LaMance

Rhapsody
Coach/Choreographer:
Maria LaMance

9. SAMANTHA PEREZ
Milkmaid Daydreams
Coach/Choreographer:
Leigh Ann Koelsch

10. AMANDA LOH
Petite Waltz
Coach/Choreographer:
Leigh Ann Koelsch

11. ELISHA TAN
Night on the Town
Coach/Choreographer:
Leigh Ann Koelsch

*Variation from
Pas de Quatre*
Coach/Choreographer:
Leigh Ann Koelsch

L'Espionne Rousseau
Coach/Choreographer:
Isabelle Sjhsam

12. KATERINA NIEROTKA
Best Time of My Life
Choreographer:
Katerina Nierotka
Coach: Leigh Ann Koelsch

*Kitri Variation
from Don Quixote*
Coach/Choreographer:
Leigh Ann Koelsch

Shadow Veil
Coach/Choreographer:
Maria LaMance

*Kitri Variation from
Don Quixote*
Coach/Choreographer:
Isabelle Sjhsam

13. ELENA ZAUG
Variation From Talisman
Coach/Choreographer:
Maria LaMance

The Untold
Coach/Choreographer:
Isabelle Sjhsam

SOLOS

14. ZOE HUANG
Allora
Coach/Choreographer:
Sharon Kung

Bluebird Variation
Coach/Choreographer:
Sharon Kung

15. SARAH SUN
Quick Step
Coach/Choreographer:
Sharon Kung

La Bayadere, 3rd Shade
Coach/Choreographer:
Sharon Kung

16. ORIANA KOU
*Peasant Pas Variation
from Giselle*
Coach/Choreographer:
Sharon Kung

Delayed
Coach/Choreographer:
Sharon Kung

17. ABIGAIL PRAVINATA
Aquatic Angel
Coach/Choreographer:
Sharon Kung

18. JESSICA XU
Gypsy Dream
Coach/Choreographer:
Bambi Fleeman

19. KELLY YANG
*Dulcinea Variation from
Don Quixote*
Coach/Choreographer:
Maria LaMance

Grand Pas Classique
Coach/Choreographer:
Maria LaMance

Taksim
Coach/Choreographer:
Maria LaMance

20. AVANTIKA
Silver Fairy
Coach/Choreographer:
Maria LaMance

21. AMANDA LIN
De Luce
Coach/Choreographer:
Isabelle Sjhsam

*Shade Variation
from La Bayadere*
Coach/Choreographer:
Isabelle Sjhsam

22. SHREYA GULATI
Angel by the Wings
Coach/Choreographer:
Isabelle Sjhsam

23. EVELYN HUANG
The Fire
Coach/Choreographer:
Isabelle Sjhsam





SHOWCASE

SESSION I

PPDC Ensemble: Chance Tom,
Elisha Tan, Clarice Lai, Jordan Chen,
Cassidy Johnston
Toyshop Suite
Coach/Choreographer: Leigh Ann Koelsch

THE SUMMER DANCES

Maple Leaf Rag (Fremont/Dublin G1-G3)

Fremont: Alyssa Liu, Jenna Ilawy,
Bahvya Shah, Cara Wang, Minlu Zhao,
Jessica Cao, Audrey Song, Leila Kabouzi,
Sophia Kabouzi, Angela Cao, Yebin Park,
Jennifer Xu, Amelia Christen, Abigail Sun

Dublin: Chloe Madlansacay,

Allison Huang, Tiffany Yang, Fiona Lee,
Whitney Wang, Eunice Lai, Mika Nakari,
Michelle Yang, Ashley Choe, Veronica
Lee, Manya Taneja, Caitlyn Wong, Leeane
Yang, Alyssa Bondoy, Charlotte Cheung,
Masha Novak, Nanami Ling, Allison Song

Original Rags (Fremont/Dublin G4-A2)

Fremont: Audrianna Fung, Neil Basu,
Avantika Saxena, Shreya Gulati,
Nadia Bianco, Maya Basu, Emily Nguyen,
Sarah Sun, Emma Walker, Zoe Huang,
Symantha Owsley, Evelyn Huang,
Kelly Yang, Jade Zhang

Dublin: Clarice Lai, Elisha Tan,
Jordan Chen, Cassidy Johnston,
Chance Tom, Anya Srinivassan,
Alina Kim, Melody Song, Elena Zaug,
Amanda Lin, Katerina Nierotka

Solo: Claire Werner
Esmerelda Variation
Coach/Choreographer: Maria LaMance

Contemporary (Monday Fremont)
See-Shore, Sea-Shore
Jade Zhang, Ester Rosenblum,
Emma Walker, Maya Basu, Lauren Meager
Coach/Choreographer: Sharon Kung

Solo: Elisha Tan
Night on the Town
Coach/Choreographer: Leigh Ann Koelsch

PPDC Ensemble: Alexa Gani, Kylie Chu,
Cara Wang, Angela Cao, Ava Yang,
Sydney Bennett, Amelia Christen,
Marissa Gani, Sarah Hu, Audrianna Fung,
Amanda Loh, Misha Madan
The Ballet Mistress
Coach/Choreographer: Bambi Fleeman

Contemporary (Thursday Dublin)
Eunice Lai, Maria Novak, Elisha Tan,
Jordan Chen, Cassidy Johnston, Clarice Lai,
Amanda Lin, Katerina Nierotka
Coach/Choreographer: Evan Johnston

Contemporary (Tuesday Fremont)
Sarah Sun, Zoe Huang, Evelyn Huang,
Kelly Yang, Avantika Saxena
Butterfly
Coach/Choreographer: Maria LaMance

Senior Solo Performance: Alina Kim
Variation 1 from RAD Intermediate

Solo: Claire Wu
Variation from Raymonda
Coach: Maria LaMance
Choreographer: Yuri Grigorovich
Coach: Leigh Ann Koelsch

Ensemble: Katerina Nierotka, Kelly Yang,
Amanda Lin, Elena Zaug, Evelyn Huang,
Claire Werner, Zoe Huang,
Anya Srinivasan, Clarice Lai, Jordan Chen,
Elisha Tan, Maya Basu
World, Come in
Coach/Choreographer: Isabelle Sjhsam,
Miranda Tan, Connie Zaug

SHOWCASE

Senior Solo Performance: Karen Zhu
Etude Lyrique from G8

PPDC Ensemble: Samantha Owsley,
Zoe Huang, Evelyn Huang,
Sarah Sun, Claire Werner, Oriana Kou
Music: Saint Sains Concerto
Violin: Jade Zhang
Maestra
Coach/Choreographer: Maria LaMance

IT'S A SMALL WORLD

The world may be a big place with
people of many cultures speaking
different languages, but through the
language of dance it becomes a small
world. Enjoy our young performers as
they take you on a trip around the world
and remind us all of how much we share
in common in *It's a Small World*.

France (PSL1 Dublin)
Emily Zheng, Madelynne Li, Colette Lum,
Olivia Tedjong, Kaylie Wikamulia,
Isabella Zhang, Audrey Wilson
Teachers: Katie Eck, Barbara Campbell

Sweden (PSL1 Fremont)
Fiona Muggli, Malina Kitchens, Uma
Ravi, Audrey Sheh, Arohi Manpathak,
Angela Gu, Leora Ranjan, Navya Mohan,
Anoushka Sinha, Audrina Khanna,
Bella Hernandez
Teacher: Connie Zaug

Africa (PSL2 Dublin)
Hope A. Ting, Hillary Yim, Cici Zhang,
Mina Uberoy, Katherine L. Yang,
Emma Sophia Palacios, Evelyn Yu,
Summer Erb, Saanvi Goyal, Riya Dasari,
Sathvika Shettipelly, Lily Maughan,
Sierra M. Unruh
Teacher: Connie Zaug

Ireland (PSL2 Fremont)
Avril Wu, Serena Qu, Katelyn Yu,
Jahnvi Potharatu, Abhinaya Karthikeyan,
Carly Widjaja, Eloise Lee De Los Reyes,
Ria Korambeth, Bopei Choo, Chloe Wu,
Evangeline So, Jacqueline Cao,
Vidisha Pudukottai, Susanna Xu,
Mia Tang, Avantika Prasad, Keva Dion,
Suah Cho, Scarlett Chan, Keva Dion
Teachers: Connie Zaug, Bambi Fleeman,
Carol Howard

Scotland (PP Dublin)
Tong Yuci (Lucie) Lu, Sophie Chan,
Misha Uberoy, Jacelyn Quah
Teacher: Melissa James

Mexico (PP Fremont)
Pari Aneja, Gabrielle Sun, Estee Nguyen,
Ashley Wu, Sophia Avery, Selene Shao,
Natalie Maltz, Elizabeth Cao, Lynn Ueno,
Zara Mordani, Eleanor Huang, Eva Zou,
Tesneem Ilawy, Pranitha Anand,
Dia Ley, Emi Uyemura, Elizabeth Hu,
Kashvi Sharma, Avantika Prasad
Teachers: Bambi Fleeman, Carol Howard

Egypt (P Dublin)
Elaine Yang, Kashvi Vogireddy,
Karina Yuen, Nova Cui, Isabella Alcantar,
Luna Sofia Speros
Teacher: Melissa James

American Pioneer (P Fremont)
Natalie Nolan, Shitong (Sherona) Yang,
Olivia Lee, Alexa Gani, Nikalet Pabla,
Kylie Chu, Ahana Keswani,
Lillian Crawford, Audrey Xiao,
Iris Chan, Divya Batra, Adessa Coles,
Ashley Jung, Lylah Miller
Teachers: Bambi Fleeman, Carol Howard

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England (G1 Dublin 6)

Fiona Lee, Tiffany Yang, Allison Huang,
Chloe Madlansacay, Whitney Wang,
Sophie Kao, Melodey Huang
Teacher: Melissa James

Holland (G1 Fremont)

Jessica Cao, Minlu Zhao, Rosie Gao,
Cara Wang, Bhavya Shah, Kelly Wu,
Audrey Song, Alyssa Liu, Sophie Liu,
Melanie Perez, Shelsea Perez, Claire Lin,
Riddhi Ravishankar, Jenna Ilawy, Abby
Stewart, Sharon Lui
Teachers: Bambi Fleeman, Carol Howard

China (G2 Dublin)

Michele Yang, Veronica Lee,
Ashley S. Choe, Avani Jain,
Eunice W. Lai, Mika Nakari, Maite Arguello
Teacher: Melissa James

Italy (G2 Fremont)

Claire Nguyen, Leila Kabouzi, Sophia
Kabouzi, Joanne Huang, Misha Madan,
Ava Yang, Angela Cao, Aarii Keswani,
Sydney Bennett, Arya Sharma, Mia Chan,
Miraya Jogewar, Natalia R. Aquirre
Teachers: Bambi Fleeman, Carol Howard

Japan (G3 Dublin)

Leeane Yang, Alyssa Bondoy, Maria
Novak, Caitlyn Wong, Nanami Ling,
Manya Taneja, Allison Song, Charlotte
Cheung,
Jenae Emiko Takata
Teacher: Leigh Ann Koelsch

Bollywood (G3 Fremont)

Jennifer Xu, Abigail Sun, Marissa Gani,
Amelia Capella Christen, Abigail Pravinata,
Annabelle Yeh, Yebin Park (Esther),
Sarah Hu, Kym Truong
Teacher: Leigh Ann Koelsch

FINALE

SESSION 2

La Bayadere

La Bayadere was created especially for
the benefit performance of Ekaterina
Vazem, Prime ballerina of the St. Petersburg
Imperial theatres.

La Bayadere (meaning the Temple Dancer
or the Temple Maiden) tells the story of
the bayadere Nikiya and the warrior
Solor, who have sworn eternal fidelity to
one another. The High Brahmin, however,
is also in love with Nikiya and learns of
her relationship with Solor. Moreover,
the Rajah Dugmanta of Golconda has
selected Solor to be the fiancé of his
daughter Gamzatti (or Hamsatti, as she
is known in the original production),
and Nikiya, unaware of the arrangement,
agrees to dance at the couple's betrothal
celebrations.

In a dream-like euphoria, Solor has a
vision of Nikiya's shade (or spirit) in a
nirvana among the star-lit mountain peaks
of the Himalayas called the Kingdom of the
Shades. Here, the lovers reconcile among
the supreme opulence and order of the
shades of other bayaderes (in the original
production of 1877 this scene took place
in an illuminated enchanted palace in the
sky). When Solor awakes, preparations are
underway for his wedding to Gamzatti.

Act 1-Scene 3 The Garden of the Palace *The Grand Procession* (IF/I)

Tiffany S. Lim, Emily Nguyen, Maya Basu,
Nadia Bianco, Emma Sierra Walker,
Sarah Sun, Zoe Huang, Claire Werner,
Alina Kim, Melody Song, Aysha
Cunningham
Teachers: Leigh Ann Koelsch, Sharon Kung

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Pas d'action I (A1/G8)

Symantha E. Owsley, Oriana Kou,
Evelyn Huang, Karen Zhu, Jade Zhang

Pas de Deux (A2)

Edward Tang, Elena Zaug
Teachers: Isabelle Sjhsam, Maria LaMance

Solor Variation

Edward Tang
Teacher: Evan Johnston

Gamzatti

Elena Zaug
Teacher: Evan Johnston

Pas d'action II (A2)

Amanda Yi Lin, Katerina Nierotka,
Kelly Yang, Elena Zaug

ACT I-SCENE 1 (Outside the Temple)

Temple Dancer Dublin (G4/G5)
Elisha Tan, Jordan Vienna Chen,
Cassidy Johnston, Clarice Lai,
Kylie Chang, Ashley Li,
Illyse Tanner Siebert, Anya Srinivasan
Male: Chance Kieran Tom
Teacher: Leigh Ann Koelsch

D' Jaimp Dance (Fremont G4/G5)

Allison Crystal Low, Audrianna Fung,
Amanda Loh, Lillian Ma, Varya
Karpelevitch, Samantha Michelle Perez,
Male: Neil Basu
Avantika Saxena, Emmy Tsao, Yu (Kayla)
Chen, Shreya Gulati, Vianna Dayeh,
Sarina Li,
Trisha Rajesh
Teacher: Leigh Ann Koelsch

ACT 2-SCENE 2 (Kingdom of the Shades)

Shades (IF-A2)
Tiffany S. Lim, Emily Nguyen, Maya Basu,
Nadia Bianco, Emma Sierra Walker,
Sarah Sun, Zoe Huang, Claire Werner,
Alina Kim, Melody Song, Aysha
Cunningham,
Symantha E. Owsley, Oriana Kou,
Evelyn Huang, Amanda Yi Lin,
Katerina Nierotka, Elena Zaug,
Kelly Yang, Jade Shuyao Zhang
Lead 1- (A2) Amanda Lin
Lead 2- (A2) Katerina Nierotka
Lead 3- (A2) Kelly Yang
Teachers: Isabelle Sjhsam, Maria LaMance



SHOWCASE

SESSION 3 PPDC ENSEMBLE & SOLO

Solo: Claire Wu

Liberacion

Coach: Maria LaMance

Choreographer: Claire Wu

Ensemble: Nova Cui, Allison Huang,
Fiona Lee, Tiffany Yang, Eunice Lai, Mika
Nakari, Caitlyn Wong, Allison Song,
Maria (Masha) Novak, Alyssa Bondoy,
Illyse Siebert

Oriental Rhapsody

Coach/Choreographer: Melissa James

Solo: Abigail Pravinata

Aquatic Angel

Coach: Sharon Kung

Choreographer: Ashley Bishop

Solo: Jessica Xu

Gypsy Dream

Coach: Bambi Fleeman

Choreographer: Ashley Bishop

Duo: Elisha Tan & Jordan Chen

Safe and Sound

Coach/Choreographer: Isabelle Sjhsam

Solo: Samantha Perez

Milkmaid Daydreams

Coach/Choreographer: Leigh Ann Koelsch

Solo: Cassidy Johnston

Don't Walk ... Run!

Coach/Choreographer: Evan Johnston

Duo: Cara Wang, Jessica Cao

How Far We'll Go

Choreographer: Ashley Bishop

Coach: Bambi Fleeman

Solo: Clarice Lai

Wildwood Race

Coach/Choreographer: Evan Johnston

Solo: Avantika Saxena

Silver Fairy

Coach/Choreographer: Maria LaMance

Ensemble: Chance Tom, Neil Basu,

Elisha Tan, Jordan Chen

Like at First Sight

Coach/Choreographer: Evan Johnston

Solo: Eunice Lai

Match Point

Coach/Choreographer: Melissa James

Solo: Maria (Masha) Novak

Burgundy Brilliance

Coach/Choreographer: Melissa James

Solo: Caitlyn Wong

Dazzling Doll

Choreographer: Ashley Bishop

Coach: Evan Johnston

Solo: Alyssa Bondoy

Morning Star

Choreographer: Ashley Bishop

Coach: Evan Johnston

Duo: Lilian Ma, Samantha Perez

Flight

Coach/Choreographer: Sharon Kung

Solo: Jordan Chen

Classical Fairytale

Coach/Choreographer: Melissa James

Trio: Jennifer Xu, Abigail Pravinata,

Annabelle Yeh

You Got a Friend in Me

Choreographer: Ashley Bishop

Coach: Bambi Fleeman

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Solo: Amanda Loh

Petite Waltz

Coach/Choreographer: Leigh Ann Koelsch

Duo: Katerina Nierotka, Amanda Lin

Hemespheres

Coach/Choreographer: Isabelle Sjhsam

Solo: Shreya Gulati

Angel by the Wings

Coach/Choreographer: Isabelle Sjhsam

Solo: Zoe Huang

Allora

Coach/Choreographer: Sharon Kung

Ensemble/Line: Neil Basu, Maya Basu,

Nadia Bianco, Tiffany Lim, Avantika

Saxena, Shreya Gulati, Vianna Dayeh,

Sarina Li, Emmy Tsao, Audrianna Fung,

Samantha Perez, Amanda Loh,

Lillian Ma, Kayla Chen

Excerpt from Swan Lake Waltz Competition

Coach/Choreographer: Leigh Ann Koelsch

Duo: Edward Tang/Katerina Nierotka

Epiliminal

Coach/Choreographer: Evan Johnston

Solo: Claire Werner

Festivo

Coach/Choreographer: Maria LaMance

Ensemble: Elisha Tan, Jordan Chen,

Cassidy Johnston, Clarice Lai, Aryana

West

Feral Society

Coach/Choreographer: Evan Johnston

Solo: Sarah Sun

Quick Step

Coach/Choreographer: Sharon Kung

Solo: Oriana Kou

Delayed

Coach/Choreographer: Sharon Kung

Duo: Shreya Gulati, Avantika Saxena

Ascendence

Coach/Choreographer: Maria LaMance

Solo: Katerina Nierotka

Title: Best time of my life

Choreographer: Katerina Nierotka

Coach: Jeanie Pors

Solo: Elena Zaug

Variation From Talisman

Coach/Choreographer: Maria LaMance

Ensemble: Tiffany Lim, Nadia Bianco,

Emily Nguyen, Emma Walker, Zoe Huang

Color Pop

Coach/Choreographer: Sharon Kung

Solo: Amanda Lin

De Luce

Coach/Choreographer: Isabelle Sjhsam

Solo: Kelly Yang

Grand Pas Classique

Coach/Choreographer: Maria LaMance

Solo: Evelyn Huang

The Fire

Coach/Choreographer: Isabelle Sjhsam

Ensemble: Amanda Lin,

Katerina Nierotka, Elena Zaug

Contact

Coach/Choreographer: Leigh Ann Koelsch

PPDC Ensemble: Samantha Owsley,

Zoe Huang, Evelyn Huang,

Sarah Sun, Claire Werner, Oriana Kou

Brandenburg

Coach/Choreographer: Maria LaMance

HONOURABLE MENTIONS

SUMMER PLANS

Our talented dancers had some incredible achievements this year!

EDWARD TANG: Los Angeles Ballet Academy summer intensive on Scholarship

ELISHA TAN: Los Angeles Ballet Academy summer intensive on Scholarship

AMANDA LIN: Medical internship in Singapore & ballet classes with Singapore Dance Theatre/Singapore Ballet Academy

CLAIRE WERNER: Joffrey Ballet San Francisco Summer Intensive on Scholarship and attending Bolshoi SI on special scholarship awarded at YAGP. Attended 2018 Final in New York for YAGP.

SARAH SUN: Attending ABT - American Ballet Theatre summer intensive in Orange County

ORIANA KOU: Austin's Ballet summer intensive

ZOE HUANG: Houston Ballet summer intensive

ELENA ZAUG: Bill Evans Dancers Institute (BEDI) summer intensive in Washington on scholarship and attending International Conference and Performance Festival New Mexico State University

CLAIRE WU: Genee Competition in Hong Kong this Aug -Awarded the RAD Bursary towards her Genee fees! £750 fee plus £1000 for travel and expenses.

RAD REPERTOIRE SYLLABUS LAUNCH DEMONSTRATION

PARTICIPANTS: Claire Werner, Amanda Lin, Katerina Nierotka, Elena Zaug, Edward Tang

Ashley was one of the few teachers worldwide to be chosen to pilot the New Repertoire Syllabus last year and donated her time to this wonderful event. The syllabus has a premiere launch and Patti Ashby, our USA director has asked our students to demonstrate the syllabus live at the launch for assembled teachers and examiners. It is a huge honor to be asked.

MS. LEIGH ANN graciously took time to choreograph a trio for Elena, Katerina, and Amanda. Leigh Ann is very passionate about the RAD and this is her way of contributing to the Launch. Seeing students representing Rachel's Ballet demonstrating the new work is quite an honor.



COMPETITION HIGHLIGHTS

RAD Dance Challenge Long Beach CA (Jan 20, 2018)

PARTICIPANTS: Amanda Loh, Samantha Perez, Elisha Tan, Jordan Chen, Cassidy Johnston, Clarice Lai, Chance Tom, Claire Werner, Amanda Lin, Katerina Nierotka, Elena Zaug

SOLO

Elisha Tan: 1st Place in her Level
Claire Werner: 1st Place in her Level

ENSEMBLE AWARD

Toy Shop Suite
Elisha Tan, Jordan Chen, Cassidy Johnston, Clarice Lai, Chance Tom
1st Place in their Level

California Dance Classic (CDC)

CLASSICAL REPERTOIRE SOLO 15-16 YRS

Honorable Mention - Kelly Yang

CLASSICAL REPERTOIRE FEMALE SOLO 11 - 12 YRS Gold - Claire Werner

CLASSICAL BALLET SOLO 9-10 YRS Honorable Mentions - Elisha Tan and Samantha Perez

CLASSICAL BALLET SOLO 8 YRS & UNDER Silver - Abigail Pravinata

CONTEMPORARY SOLO 11-12 YRS Gold - Claire Werner

CLASSICAL BALLET DUO/TRIO 9 YRS & YOUNGER Gold - Cara Wang, Jessica Cao

CLASSICAL BALLET DUO/TRIO 10-12 YEARS Silver - Samantha Perez, Lillian Ma

CLASSICAL BALLET DUO/TRIO 13-15 YRS Bronze - Elena Zaug, Katerina Nierotka, Amanda Lin

CONTEMPORARY DUO/TRIO 10-12 YEARS Gold - Elisha Tan, Jordan Chen Silver - Avantika Saxena, Shreya Gulati

CLASSICAL BALLET ENSEMBLE 10-12 YEARS *Toy Shop Suite* Gold - Elisha Tan, Jordan Chen, Cassidy Johnston, Clarice Lai, Chance Tom

CLASSICAL BALLET ENSEMBLE 9 YEARS & YOUNGER *Oriental Rhapsody* Gold - Nova Cui, Allison Huang, Fiona Lee, Tiffany Yang, Eunice Lai, Mika Nakari, Caitlyn Wong, Allison Song, Maria (Masha) Novak, Alyssa Bondoy, Illyse Siebert

The Ballet Mistress Silver - Alexa Gani, Kylie Chu, Cara Wang, Angela Cao, Ava Yang, Sydney Bennett, Amelia Christen, Marissa Gani, Sarah Hu, Audrianna Fung, Amanda Loh, Misha Madan

CONTEMPORARY ENSEMBLE 10-12 YRS *Feral Society* Bronze - Elisha Tan, Jordan Chen, Cassidy Johnston, Clarice Lai, Aryana West

OPEN ENSEMBLE 13 YEARS & OLDER *World, Come In* Silver - Katerina Nierotka, Kelly Yang, Amanda Lin, Elena Zaug, Evelyn Huang, Claire Werner, Zoe Huang, Anyu Srinivasan, Clarice Lai, Jordan Chen, Elisha Tan, Maya Basu

Spotlight Dance Cup - San Jose CA

FUTURE GEMS ~ PETITE ~ DUO/TRIO *You've Got a Friend in Me* Diamond - Jennifer Xu, Abigail Pravinata, Annabelle Yeh

STUDIO LOCATIONS

MV: 40057 Mission Blvd. • Fremont CA 94539 (At Las Palmas Avenue)
LP: 7230 San Ramon Road • Dublin CA 94568 (At Almador Valley Road)



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2018 Summer Session 2: Aug 6 - Sep 1

2018-19 Fall/Spring School Year: Sep 4 - Jun 8

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