



York School of Dance & Drama

Summer 2006 Newsletter

Welcome to our Summer Newsletter, sponsored by the Friends.

Hello again, if you've noticed something different about this newsletter you'd be right. Yes, we're coming to you in glorious black and white...some could say it's "arty" and we'd agree, we'd also add that we've lost our colour printing facility...groan...un-daunted we'll carry on but can you or someone you know help? *See School Soap Box for more info.*

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Senior: Sally Miller

Visit our website at:

www.yorkdanceanddrama.org.uk

"Nullos Limos"

Lesley Ann's bit...

The summer term has quickly come and nearly gone and once more the Summer School is almost here! It's a time I always look forward to as I get to know all our children on a deeper level and we have lots of fun together.



Our School is family based and the children are such a wonderful source of joy that no matter what else is happening in our lives, once we all get together and dance, our spirits are lifted, plus of course the great yearly challenge of the team games, which the children know I train for avidly each year... So bring on Summer School!

This term has been wonderfully rewarding with new work, great progress and new pupils. The School is certainly expanding and covering new ground, reaching extremely high standards. Our School, I am proud to say, is well known for its exciting new ventures in dance, largely influenced by my travels all over the world when I bring back original music and create new dance moves. Tia Hancy tells me that she and Georgia often practice on the sports field at school and they always gather a crowd, as she says, "Our dance is so different from everyone else's, that they all want to watch us!"

To this end I am once again about to "chase the dance" by going on an exciting expedition to Mexico, Guatemala, Belize and a strange little island without any streets or traffic. I will be going through the rain forest, tracking up volcanoes and travelling in a van up winding mountain roads. I will visit ancient Mayan Temples in the jungle, all to investigate folk dances and music so that on my return in September I will be bringing new flavours to the classes.

Enjoy the summer and I look forward to seeing everyone in the Summer School.

Thank you everyone for all your help and support.

Lesley Ann



Oops...now which position are we going for?

Tuesday, Pre beginners Class

Y.S.D.D. Summer School

Monday 31st July to Friday 4th August

Arch Bishop Holgate School (off Hull Road)



| Times & Prices | From | Until | Fees |
|----------------|--------|---------|------|
| Full Day | 9.30am | 3.00pm | £25 |
| Mornings | 9.30am | 12 noon | £15 |
| Afternoons | 1.00pm | 3.00pm | £15 |

Lunchtime supervision for those staying the full day, remember your packed lunch!

Wednesday we will be visiting Water World, parents are obliged to accompany children who cannot swim. Contact Lesley Ann to ensure your place.

Did you know?



Missed a newsletter?

If you've missed a newsletter check out the Y.S.D.D. website. All past newsletters will be loaded into the archive section so you can take a look whenever you like! www.yorkdanceanddrama.org.uk



Have you heard about Big Dance?

Big Dance is a week long, England-wide celebration of dance. Everyone is invited to take part in a huge range of fun and unusual dance events...

Big Dance runs from 15 - 23 July 2006. Check it out and take part! www.artscouncil.org.uk/bigdance/

Interesting sites if you're surfing around

Fancy acting as a career (are you mad?), find out at: <http://www.drama.ac.uk/careers.html>

The Stage – the long running newspaper for the entertainment industry.

<http://www.thestage.co.uk/>

School Soap Box...



Yes, we're in need of some help to keep these newsletters coming to you in full colour. Perhaps you, or someone you know can help us out? If you do please let us know. Call Jacky Frere on Tel: (01904) 622 326

If you are going to be at the **Summer School** this year please let us have your thoughts, pictures, photos (especially of LA playing football) and any feedback – we'd love to put it in the Autumn Issue.

A Drama School tutor commenting on a budding actor's entrances and exits:
"While your goings off are coming on, your comings on are going off!"

Let's also have some ideas for features that you'd like to see – this newsletter is for you, are we missing something???

Dancing...Drama...singing...hot jazz, classical ballet or Shakespeare, what is your passion? Tell us about your thoughts, achievements, gripes or interests here, email them to: jacky.fitt@ukgateway.net

Know your 'Friends'...

Welcome to all the Friends of the school and thank you so much for your support.



Thank you to all our Friends – aunts, uncles, grandparents, godparents, carers, mums, dads and industry professionals...

Join In!

The end of this term will see the awarding of the Friends' Excellence Awards.

Awarded shortly before the end of term, these go to children who may have overcome a particular difficulty, achieved a personal goal or made an extra special contribution and will be chosen by Lesley Ann. In recognition of their efforts the children will receive a certificate and gift from the Friends.

Become a Friend! For just £20 a year you'll get our regular newsletter and invitations to exclusive events as well as supporting and furthering the work of the school. Contact Jacky Tel: (01904) 622 326 for details.

School Stuff...



Dates for your diary...

Here's our handy 'rip out and stick on your wall' page!

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| School Principal: | Lesley Ann Eden Tel: 07971 230 716 | <i>Kidscape Champion B.Ed. Dance Drama B.Ed. Music M.A. Choreography</i> |
| Secretary: | Val Hart Tel: 01347 824 719 | |
| Classes*: | Park Grove Community School, Park Grove, York. | |
| | Tuesday 4.15 – 5.00pm | Beginner Dance |
| | Tuesday 5.00 – 6.00pm | Intermediate Dance |
| | Tuesday 6.00 – 6.30pm | Invitation Performers |
| | Tuesday 6.45 – 8.45pm | Senior Performers |
| | Thursday 5.00 – 6.00pm | Beginner Youth Dance 10-13yrs |
| | Thursday 6.00 – 7.00pm | Adult beginners - Tap |
| | Thursday 7.00 – 8.00pm | Adult beginners – Jazz |
| | Saturday 9.15 – 10.15am | Beginner Elementary Dance |
| | Saturday 10.15 – 11.15am | Drama Group |
| | Saturday 11.15 – 12.30pm | Intermediate Dance |

**Check term dates with Lesley Ann Eden or Val Hart.*

Class Fees: £5 per class £8 per double

September Term start date: check with Val or Lesley Ann

Forward dates: 2007 “Odyssey” – Grand Opera House, York

See you in September!



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The Jorvik Arts Academy is open for business to give students, the opportunity to explore excellence in the field of ART, DANCE DRAMA AND MUSIC, whilst giving them a unique opportunity to discover the historic delights of York – England's second city. Weekends, or longer stays are available together with any combination of Arts tuition, tailored to suit any needs. Other specialist courses can be devised such as history visits or language courses in Spanish or French.

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Autumn Newsletter will be out in...the autumn! (What did you expect, January?) –Contributions to Jacky Frere

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