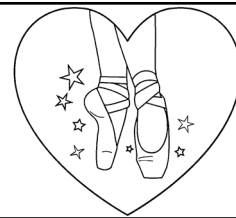


Ballet in Balboa



FEBRUARY 2017

Birthdays

February 1

Madison McNamara
Isabella Scarvie

February 3

Sophia Tully

February 5

Vanessa Blas
Malia Lewton

February 6

Alda Oskarsdottir

February 7

Gabrielle Canada
Will Coleman

February 8

Brandon Anderson

February 9

Isabella Hodges
Makenzie Stone

February 10

Coltrane Reese

February 11

Sophia Peralta

February 13

Jamie Pearcy

February 16

Marissa Colin

February 18

Siobhán Cameron

February 22

Rachel Walt

February 26

Inanna Arsova-Klejnot

Jack Shaver

February 27

Miss Rachel
Jiada Friscia
Brianna Hunter

Welcome to Spring at SDCYB!

Hi SDCYB Families,

Welcome to our Spring Semester! I would especially like to welcome any new families who have just joined us here at SDCYB; we look forward to getting to know you!

We have many exciting events and performances coming up over the next few months, including our **Valentine's Day Ballet Buddy Event** on February 11th, our production of **Beauty and the Beast** from April 5th—9th, and our **school-wide Spring Showcase** performance on Saturday, May 20th. We will also soon begin enrollment in our **Summer Camps & Intensives**, so keep an eye out for information on these wonderful programs.

At SDCYB we work hard to ensure that our families are in the know about the many programs and productions that we provide. **We regularly communicate through email, social media, printed handouts, bulletin board announcements, and our monthly newsletter,** and we encourage you to stay connected in as many ways as possible.

We look forward to having you with us this semester and appreciate your support of our organization! As always, please feel free to stop by the office where we are more than happy to answer any questions you may have. We are so excited to begin our Spring Semester!

Sincerely,

Danika Pramik-Holdaway
Artistic Director

♥ Valentine's Day Ballet Buddy Event ♥

Ballet Buddies is a **mentoring program** which **pairs younger students** (Tiny Tots—Level 2A) **with an older "buddy"** from levels 2B—6. Ballet Buddies is a great way for our younger dancers to **learn about the experiences** of our older dancers, and **develop a relationship** with someone in a level other than their own.

On Saturday, February 11th, at 1:30pm, we invite you to join us for our first Ballet Buddy event of the year. This event will feature performances by our Performance Ensemble, a **sneak-peek performance from Beauty and the Beast**, and **cookie decorating!**

To participate in the Valentine's Day Ballet Buddy Event, you **must** RSVP to join the Ballet Buddy program and **commit to attending ALL three Ballet Buddy events** throughout the year. Please **RSVP for the SDCYB Ballet Buddy Program by Wednesday, February 8th.**

Want to help? We need families who are willing to donate the following items:

- ♥ Plain sugar cookies
- ♥ Frosting and icing
- ♥ Fruit & vegetable platters
- ♥ Bottled or boxed drinks (juice or water)



Please email Miss Leila at leila@sdcyb.org to RSVP and/or if you would like to donate any of the items listed.

Save the Date: Tutus & Choo-Choos

Jump on board the ballet train and join SDCYB and the San Diego Model Railroad Museum for an evening of fun at **Tutus & Choo-Choos**, benefitting both organizations!

This special fundraiser will be held at the San Diego Model Railroad Museum in Balboa Park on Saturday, March 11th from 6pm to 9pm. Experience a unique menu complete with appetizers, local craft beer and wine, as well as **special performances by SDCYB's student dancers**, train demonstrations with SDMRM, craft activities and opportunity drawings. This unique event is open to kids and adults of all ages and is the perfect chance to learn how SDCYB and SDMRM continue to play a vital role in the educational and cultural landscape of Balboa Park and throughout San Diego.

Tickets purchased in advance are \$50 (\$60 if purchased on the day of the event), and include free admission for one child, 14 years old and under. Additional tickets for children ages 2 to 14 are \$20, with children under 2 being admitted for free. Each person will receive one complimentary drink ticket, and will enjoy appetizers and entertainment.

Important Dates

February 6

Spring Semester Begins (runs through June 17th)

February 11

Ballet Buddy Day

February 20

CLOSED for

President's Day

March 6

Enrollment Begins for Summer Camps, Summer Intensives, and Ballet for Me!

Tickets for *Beauty and the Beast* on Sale NOW!

Tickets to SDCYB's spring production of *Beauty and the Beast* are now on sale! Over 170 SDCYB students will perform in this **classic tale about love and inner beauty**. Invite your family and friends to come support the hard work of our dancers! Tickets are just \$12—\$18 and can be purchased online at www.sdycb.org or in the office.

- April 5th at 10:00am (Discounted SCHOOL SHOW)
- April 6th at 6:00pm (Discounted GIRL SCOUT SHOW)
- April 7th at 7:00pm (Public Performance)
- April 8th at 2:00pm & 7:00pm (Public Performances)
- April 9th at 2:00pm (Public Performance)

Beauty and the Beast Fun Facts

1. The original story of *Beauty and the Beast* was first published in 1740, *La Belle et la Bête* and was written by French novelist Gabrielle-Suzanne Barbot de Villeneuve. It was then edited and shorted into a children's tale by Jeanne-Marie Leprince de Beaumont in 1756, which is the story most commonly known today.
2. Unlike the Disney storyline, SDCYB's version is more similar to the original tale, and does not feature singing household items that have come to life nor a evil villain who tries to riot against the beast when he cannot win the heart of Beauty. SDCYB's version also features a musical compilation of various French composers such as Berlioz, Debussy, and Offenbach.
3. The first ballet production of *Beauty and the Beast* was performed by the San Francisco Ballet in 1958 and was directed by famous choreographer Lew Christensen and set to music by Tchaikovsky.



Ballet for Me!

After a very successful class in spring of 2016, SDCYB's newest program, ***Ballet for Me!*** is back for 2017! *Ballet for Me!* is a classical ballet program designed for children ages 7-12 with unique physical needs. **The session will run from April 14th to June 2nd, meeting every Friday from 4-5pm.** *Ballet for Me!* will be instructed by Miss Kerri, and each dancer will have an assistant. The session concludes with an in-studio performance for family and friends. **If you know someone who might be interested in enrolling in *Ballet for Me!*, please refer them to our website, www.sdycb.org/balletforme.** For additional information, please contact Miss Leila at leila@sdycb.org. **Enrollment begins March 6th.**

You're Invited: SDCYB's Annual Meeting

SDCYB's Board of Directors would like to invite parents to join them on Wednesday, February 15th at 5:30 for their **Annual Meeting** in the Requa Room (above the Prado Restaurant). This meeting is an opportunity to learn more about SDCYB's successes this past year and our upcoming plans for 2017. The board will also be reviewing SDCYB's fiscal information for the past year followed by a reception with an opportunity to ask questions and talk with the Board of Directors and SDCYB staff. **Hope to see you there!**

Upcoming Performances Around Southern California

Complexion Contemporary Ballet presents
Innervisions

February 9th at 7:30pm, CA Center for the Arts, Escondido
Tickets: www.artcenter.org/event/complexions-contemporary-ballet

Ballet Hispánico presents

Línea Recta, Danzón, and Flabbergast

February 16th at 8:00pm, Luckman Fine Arts Complex, Los Angeles

Tickets: www.luckmanarts.org/events/ballet-hispanico.html

San Diego Ballet presents

Ritmos Latinos

February 17th—19th, Lyceum Theatre, Downtown San Diego
Tickets and show times: www.sandiegoballet.org

California Ballet presents

Peter Pan

Featuring SDCYB's Mr. Justin

March 4th—5th, San Diego Civic Theatre, Downtown
Tickets and show times: www.californiaballet.org

Aspen Santa Fe Ballet presents

ASFB on Tour

March 3rd at 8:00pm, Valley Performing Arts Center, Northridge

March 7th at 7:00pm, McCallum Theatre, Palm Desert
March 9th at 8:00pm, Irvine Barclay Theatre, Irvine

Tickets: www.aspensantafeballet.com/performances/asfb-tour.php

Summer Fun at SDCYB

From day camps to intensives to classes, we offer summer programs for ballet lovers. Beginners and experienced dancers alike can spend their summer here at SDCYB!

Here is a preview of what to expect this summer!

Enrollment begins on March 6th!

Half-Day Ballet Camps

July 3rd—7th, 9:00am-12:00pm, Ages 4 to 6 (4-day camp)

July 3rd—7th, 1:00pm-4:00pm, Ages 7 to 10 (4-day camp)

August 14th—18th, 9:00am-12:00pm, Ages 4 to 6

August 21st—25th, 9:00am-12:00pm, Ages 4 to 6

August 21st—25th, 1:00pm-4:00pm, Ages 7 to 10

Daily ballet classes and other activities like jazz class, arts & crafts, performance rehearsals, and field trips around Balboa Park make each day of camp an adventure.

Each week of camp finishes with an in-studio performance for families and friends.

Advanced Intensive

July 10th—28th, SDCYB Levels 3B—6

Monday-Friday, 9:00am-3:00pm

Intermediate Intensive

July 31st—August 11th, SDCYB Levels 2A—3A

Monday-Friday, 9:00am-2:00pm

These full-day programs combine daily ballet technique classes with classes and seminars in modern, jazz, musical theatre, Pilates, music appreciation, injury prevention, nutrition, and more from an impressive roster of guest faculty. The programs finishes with an in-studio performance for family and friends.

Performance Ensemble Buzz

SDCYB's Performance Ensemble will be performing at Disney's California Adventure on Sunday, February 26th!

They will perform as part of the Community Arts Showcase on the Hollywood Backlot Stage. Come support SDCYB and enjoy the Disneyland Resort!

