



# BALLET IN BALBOA

## JANUARY 2018



### HAPPY NEW YEAR FROM SDCYB!

Hi Everyone, and welcome back to class!

I hope you all had a restful break after a busy holiday season! A big congratulations to our cast of *The Nutcracker* – with a run of performances 98% sold out and so many compliments on the beautiful dancing, you should all be so proud of a job well done! As we start the new year, keep an eye out for several things coming up: enrollment for the Spring Semester (begins today), auditions for *A Midsummer Night's Dream* (Jan. 13th), exciting Master Classes, and other special events, which are just around the corner. 2018 promises to be a great year, and if there is anything we can do for you in the upcoming months, please don't hesitate to ask! Happy New Year!

—Danika Pramik-Holdaway  
Artistic Director, SDCYB

### SAVE THE DATE:

### *A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM AUDITIONS*

Auditions for SDCYB's spring production of *A Midsummer Night's Dream* will be held **Saturday, January 13<sup>th</sup>, in Room 201.**

**All dancers from Level 1A and up (including Beginning Ballet, Teen, and Boys) MUST audition to be in the show.** Pre-Ballet dancers are NOT required to audition, however they must submit an audition form and pay the production fee no later than 12:00pm on January 17<sup>th</sup> in order to participate. **Audition forms will be available the week prior to auditions, and we will be accepting them, along with the production fee, all week long. We strongly recommend turning in your form and payment early to avoid long lines.**

Be sure to check with the office for any class changes/cancellations due to auditions.

#### audition times split up by level:

**Levels 1A, 1B, 2A, Beginning Ballet/Teen/Boys: 11:15am—12:00pm**

**Split-Level 2A/2B, Levels 2B, 3A, 3B: 12:15pm—1:00pm**

**Levels 4, 5, 6: 1:15pm—2:30pm**

Please Note: This production is only open to current students in levels Pre-Ballet & up. Tiny Tots and new students are not eligible, but can perform in the *Spring Showcase* in May.

## SPRING ENROLLMENT INFORMATION

It's time for Spring 2018 enrollment! **Current students' spots are held in their current class(es) for the first two weeks of enrollment.** After that, all classes are open to both new and current students. **If you would like to make an adjustment to your current ballet schedule, we recommend coming into the office or calling us during the first two days of enrollment to put your dancer's name on a wait list for another class day or time.**

As always, families must have a zero balance on their account in order to enroll in the next semester. Enrollment can be done in person with cash (no bills over \$50), check, or card, or over the phone paying the full balance with card only. If you have any questions about enrollment, please call, email, or stop by the office!

**Tuesday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>** Enrollment Opens for *Current* Students

**Tuesday, January 16<sup>th</sup>** Enrollment Opens for *New* Students

#### **BIRTHDAYS**

**January 1**

Luna Leyva

**January 4**

Kira Block  
Erika MacSaveny  
Mia Torres

**January 5**

Emma Thompson  
Valeria Noriega

**January 7**

Angelina Yu  
Isabella Watkins

**January 8**

Ella Shapery

**January 13**

Olivia Peralta

**January 14**

Samantha Tafoya

**January 18**

Sofia Perez-Valles  
Ania Shanahan

**January 19**

Madison Verba

**January 20**

Jacqueline Reynoso

**January 21**

Lourdes Yepiz

**January 23**

Emily Perry

**January 24**

Camila Reyes

Isabella Reyes

**January 26**

Elizabeth Carr

Marley Felts

**January 27**

Izabella Fieber  
Anduin Armstrong

**January 28**

Hannah Lopez-Powers

**January 29**

Delia Marxen

**January 30**

Alice Rivera

Valentina Walsh

**January 31**

Georgina David  
Ava Ramos

#### **IMPORTANT DATES**

**January 2**

Spring Enrollment Begins for *Current* Students  
Fall Semester Resumes

**January 12**

MSND Parent Information Meeting

**January 13**

MSND Auditions

**January 15**

CLOSED for MLK Jr. Day

**January 16**

Spring Enrollment Begins for *New* Students

**February 3**

Last Day of Fall Semester

## SUMMER PROGRAM AUDITION ALERT



SDCYB is proud to host Summer Program auditions for two companies in our studios this coming spring.

We encourage all dancers ages 10 & up to audition. For more information on the programs and how to sign up for their auditions, please visit the websites listed below.

### **Joffrey Ballet School**

Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup>, Room 201  
Registration 12:00—1:00pm,  
Auditions 1:00—4:00pm

### **State Street Ballet**

Sunday, January 29<sup>th</sup>  
2:30—4:30pm, Room 201

**We also have a bulletin board in the office with Summer Program audition information from other ballet schools and companies all across the country.**

## UPCOMING PERFORMANCES AROUND SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Jean Isaacs' San Diego Dance Theater presents  
**Janus II**

January 19<sup>th</sup>—21<sup>st</sup>, Saville Theatre, Downtown  
Tickets and show times: [www.sandiegodancetheater.org](http://www.sandiegodancetheater.org)

San Diego Ballet presents  
**Ritmos Latinos**

February 16<sup>th</sup>–18<sup>th</sup>, Lyceum Theater  
Tickets: [www.sandiegoballetdancecompany.org](http://www.sandiegoballetdancecompany.org)

## JOIN THE SDCYB GUILD!

The **SDCYB Guild** is an essential link between our community and programming and provides the volunteer support necessary to increase the reach of our programs and mission.

**Be on the look out for the date/time/location of this meeting** to learn more about the SDCYB Guild and a reception to follow.

## *A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM* PARENT INFORMATION MEETING

Please join us for the ***A Midsummer Night's Dream* Parent Information Meeting on Friday, January 12<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm in Room 203.**

During the meeting, we will review the audition process, as well as the commitment level required to participate in an SDCYB production.

We **STRONGLY RECOMMEND** that parents of dancers who have not yet participated in an SDCYB production to attend this meeting.

**We look forward to seeing you on Friday, January 12<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm in Room 203!**

## *A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM* *MEET THE PLAYERS*

*A Midsummer Night's Dream* is a play written by William Shakespeare, which has been transformed into a ballet and is now performed all across the country. The score is written by Felix Mendelssohn, and many sections are quite recognizable, especially the well known Wedding March that many brides walk down the aisle to. As are many of Shakespeare's great works, *A Midsummer Night's Dream* is quite a complicated story – there is a love triangle, a quarrel between a king and queen, and a group of amateur actors practicing a play in the forest. We thought we would introduce you to a few of the key players in this story so that you are better acquainted with the ballet. Keep a look out each newsletter for a few new characters.

This month's characters:

Oberon – King of the Fairies

Titania – Queen of the Fairies

Puck—Oberon's faithful, and mischievous attendant

Oberon and Titania are quarreling over a young changeling child, whom Titania has adopted.

Oberon wishes to have the child, but Titania refuses to give him up. Oberon sends Puck to put

Titania to sleep and play tricks on her, in an effort to convince her to give up the child.