

# Ballet in Balboa

### MARCH 2017



#### Birthdays

March 1
Gianna De Vasconcellos
March 2

Addison Spencer

March 3

Evelyn Mesnik

March 4
Paulina Hernandez
March 6

Miss Danika

March 7

Gwenivere Brookolo Katia Jacobs

March 8
Amelia Kirkegaard
March 9

Grace Schacht
March 10
Veronica Lee
Hollie Stevenson

March 11 Savannah Humphrey March 12

Milena Marsowicz

March 13

Jessica Aviles March 14

Lucia Perez-Valles Julia Varon March 15

Ava Moylan March 16

Sarah Byerline
March 20

Briar Bond Allison Sykes March 22

Ella Sykes March 23

Madeleine Plihal

March 24

Saoirse Hofshi March 28 Mika Gonzalez

March 31
Jennifer Reed

# Important Dates

March 6

Enrollment Begins for Summer Camps, Summer Intensives, and Ballet for Me! March 11

Tutus & Choo-Choos

March 26—April 2

SDCYB Spring Break

NO CLASSES HELD

April 5—9

Beauty and the Beast Performances

# Join Us for 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 11<sup>th</sup> 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.

# Beauty and the Beast Reminders

Tickets for SDCYB's production of Beauty and the Beast are nearly 40% sold out! 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 or in the office.

April 5<sup>th</sup> at 10am (Discounted School Show)
April 6<sup>th</sup> at 6pm (Discounted Girl Scout Show)

April 7th at 7pm (Public Performance)
April 8th at 2pm (Public Performance)
April 8th at 7pm (Public Performance)
April 9th at 2pm (Public Performance)

Even if your dancer isn't performing in the show, come support SDCYB and watch this magical production come to life on stage!

**★Kudos order forms** are due by March 11th.

★Remember to sign up for your required **Parent Production Shifts** on SignUp.com! You must sign-up
for a minimum of two shifts no later than **March 11**th

\*Rose pre-order forms are due by March 18th.
Please note: roses will not be delivered
back-stage.

★Don't forget to RSVP for the Cast Party Brunch, happening on April 9<sup>th</sup> before the 2pm show! RSVP forms are due by March 25<sup>th</sup>! Dancers in the cast get in for free! Only \$5 for additional guests!

\*Tech Rehearsals are on Thursday, March 30th for dancers in Act I and Friday, March 31st for dancers in Act II.

\*<u>Dress Rehearsals</u> are on **Monday**, **April 3<sup>rd</sup>** for dancers in Cast A and **Tuesday**, **April 4<sup>th</sup>** for dancers in Cast B.

# Preparing for Spring Showcase

Believe it or not, it is already time to start getting ready for the **SDCYB Spring Showcase 2017!**The annual *Spring Showcase* features a piece from each Tiny Tots—Level 2B class, as well as a selection of pieces by dancers in Levels 3A—6.

This year's Spring Showcase will take place on <u>Saturday</u>, <u>May 20<sup>th</sup> at 2:00pm and 6:00pm</u> at the Casa del Prado Theater. Please note that all rehearsals for Tiny Tots—Level 2B, Beginning & Intermediate Boys, Beginning Ballet, and Beginning Teen dancers take place during normal class time. While there is no fee to take part in this performance, there is a <u>MANDATORY Dress Rehearsal</u> for all dancers, as well as a <u>MANDATORY Parent Production</u> Requirement for all participating families.

Tiny Tots—Level 2B, Beg. & Int. Boys, Beg. Ballet, and Beg. Teen: If your dancer would like to perform in the Spring Showcase, please complete the participation agreement that will be handed out in class and turn it in to the SDCYB office by March 11th.

**Level 3A—Level 6:** You will be contacted separately via email with a rehearsal schedule and participation gareement shortly.

Special Ticking Policy: For the first three weeks of tickets sales (April 10<sup>th</sup>—29<sup>th</sup>), each family with a participating student will be able to purchase two tickets to one Spring Showcase performance. Once these three weeks have passed (beginning May 1<sup>st</sup>), any tickets remaining will be on sale first come, first serve and there will be no limit to the number of tickets purchased. All ticket orders will be final (no refunds or exchanges), so please confirm which show your dancer is in. Tickets will only be available in the office or by phone—there will be NO online ticket sales for Spring Showcase. All tickets are \$10.

# Beauty and the Beast Fun Facts

- 1. SDCYB's production by the numbers: over 170 student dancers will be performing in 6 performances over 4 days. Dancers have put in approximately 126 hours of rehearsal time over the course of 11 weeks. There are a total of 211 individual roles, and nearly 200 costumes will be used during the production. There are about 400 roses on Rose Maidens' costumes. Over 100 yards of fabric were used to make the Peasant Girls/Dancers' skirts. The Wolves' have the most costume pieces of all the roles: 6.
- 2. Brothers Jacob and Wilhelm Grimm wrote a version of Beauty and the Beast entitled The Singing, Springing Lark. This tale varies drastically from the classic story, with a lion prince whom wins the heart of a village girl before his curse takes him across the world, away from his beloved wife.
- 3. Disney's live-action Beauty and the Beast will hit movie theaters on March 17th. This film stars Emma Watson as Belle, Dan Stevens as the Beast/Prince, Ewan McGregor as Lumiere, Josh Gad as Le Fou, and many more Hollywood stars. If you watch this version and SDCYB's production, you'll notice many differences in the characters and storyline, but you'll also notice the overall theme about inner beauty and the undeniable power of love.

## Welcome Miss Annie!

SDCYB is happy to announce that Miss Annie Skaggs has joined our teaching faulty this Spring! Miss Annie teaches several of our Outreach ballet classes in San Diego elementary schools, and has her Master's Degree in K-12 Dance Education from the University of Maryland. She is excited to be teaching the Thursday afternoon Pre-Ballet class. Welcome Miss Annie to the SDCYB team!

## 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 6<sup>th</sup>!

#### Half-Day Ballet Camps

July 3<sup>rd</sup>—7<sup>th</sup>, 9:00am-12:00pm, Ages 4 to 6 (4-day camp)
July 3<sup>rd</sup>—7<sup>th</sup>, 1:00pm-4:00pm, Ages 7 to 10 (4-day camp)
August 14<sup>th</sup>—18<sup>th</sup>, 9:00am-12:00pm, Ages 4 to 6
August 21<sup>st</sup>—25<sup>th</sup>, 9:00am-12:00pm, Ages 4 to 6
August 21<sup>st</sup>—25<sup>th</sup>, 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 10<sup>th</sup>—28<sup>th</sup>, 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, injury prevention, flamenco, and more from an impressive roster of guest faculty. The programs finish with an in-studio performance for families and friends.

Stop by the office to pick up a brochure!

# Upcoming Performances Around Southern California

<u>California Ballet</u> presents

#### Peter Pan

Featuring SDCYB's Mr. Justin March 4<sup>th</sup>—5<sup>th</sup>, San Diego Civic Theatre, Downtown Tickets and show times: www.californiaballet.org

#### Aspen Santa Fe Ballet presents

#### **ASFB** on Tour

March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 8:00pm, Valley Performing Arts Center, Northridge March 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm, McCallum Theatre, Palm Desert March 9<sup>th</sup> at 8:00pm, Irvine Barclay Theatre, Irvine Tickets: www.aspensantafeballet.com/performances/asfb-tour.php

#### <u>City Ballet</u> presents

#### Balanchine and Beyond \_

Featuring SDCYB's Miss Brook

March 10<sup>th</sup>—12<sup>th</sup>, Spreckels Theatre, Downtown Tickets and show times: www.cityballet.org

#### Los Angeles Ballet presents

#### **Balanchine**

March 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm, Alex Theatre, Glendale March 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm, Redondo Beach Performing Arts Center March 26<sup>th</sup> at 2:00pm, Royce Hall, UCLA Tickets and show times: www.losangelesballet.org

## <u>American Ballet Theatre</u> presents

#### **Whipped Cream**

Featuring principal dancer Misty Copeland March 15<sup>th</sup>—19<sup>th</sup>, Segerstrom Center for the Arts, Costa Mesa Tickets and show times: www.scfta.org/events/detail.aspx?id=14553

#### Malandain Ballet Biarritz presents

#### **Beauty and the Beast**

March 18<sup>th</sup> at 8:00pm, San Diego Civic Theatre, Downtown
\*\*\*SDCYB student dancers will be featured at the
pre-show gala and reception for this performance as part of
our continued partnership with the La Jolla Music Society.\*\*\*
Tickets: www.LJMS.org

#### Malashock Dance Company presents

#### **Propulsion**

March 24<sup>th</sup>—26<sup>th</sup>, The Abbe Wolfsheimer Studio, Liberty Station Tickets and show times: www.malashockdance.org/performances

## San Diego Ballet presents

#### <u>Firebird</u>

March 25<sup>th</sup>—26<sup>th</sup>, Old Town Temecula Theater, Temecular Tickets and show times: www.sandiegoballet.org

#### **Black Grace** presents

#### **North America Tour**

April 8<sup>th</sup> at 8:00pm, Spreckels Theatre, Downtown Tickets: www.LJMS.org

# 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

**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.sdcyb.org/balletforme. For additional information, please contact Miss Leila at leila@sdcyb.org.

Enrollment begins March 6th.