

## important dates

## may 2 &amp; 3

Pre-Ballet and Pre-Primary **SNOW WHITE** rehearsals at the 2384 Yonge St. West Side location.

All other classes please refer to your personal schedules regarding these two days!

## may 4, 5, 6 &amp; 7

Pre-Ballet and Pre-Primary **SNOW WHITE** performances at the 2384 Yonge St. West Side location.

All other classes please refer to your personal schedules regarding these four days!

## may 14, 15, &amp; 16

Primary 1, Primary 2, Pre-Jazz, Jazz 1, Pre-Hip Hop and Pre-Tap **An Ocean Adventure** rehearsals and performances at The Capitol Theatre.

All other classes please refer to your personal schedules regarding these three days!

## june 8, 9, 10 &amp; 11

Senior students perform **Made in Canada** shows.

## director's letter

Hello and welcome to the final edition of MHSB's Pointe of View for our 2005-2006 dance season. This time however, the newsletter is written expressly for our junior school and thus dubbed "mini" Pointe of View. I know that we put out a great deal of information this time of year and since much of it pertains to our senior school, I thought it would be nice to condense our thoughts into a more reader-friendly version for you. I am sure you have plenty of things to keep track of this time of year in regards to your children!

As you probably know, we have three different productions coming up in the next few weeks. Beginning on May 4<sup>th</sup>, our youngest dancers will perform in their very own production of **SNOW WHITE**. One of our own studios has been transformed into a theatre for the occasion, thus making it a friendly venue and a perfect introduction to performing for our Pre-Ballet and Pre-Primary students. However, with parents and family seated so close, don't be surprised if the occasional **SNOW WHITE** or dwarf runs forward for a moment of reassurance - with these shows in particular we have learned to expect the unexpected! Bring your cameras!

Next we will be showcasing our middle school from May 14<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> in **An Ocean Adventure**. We know you will be delighted as mermaids, penguins, pearls and other adorable sea creatures grace the stage of the Capitol Theatre before their many admiring fans.

Finally, in mid-June we will be presenting our senior school's recital of "**Made in Canada**". This is a full-scale production held at Victoria College's Isabel Bader Theatre near Bloor and Avenue Road. Every year we choose an interesting theme to unite all our dance forms - including ballet, hip hop, tap, jazz and modern. We held a contest last year to pick the theme of this recital and several parents and students came up with the idea of CANADA. The result is an eclectic, exciting and highly creative show that will entertain children, parents, grandparents and friends. We hope that you and your child will consider attending this performance to see first-hand what lies in store for them when they graduate to the senior school. Included in this package is a ticket order form for you to fill out if you wish to attend one of these wonderful performances. More information is also given in another section of this newsletter under the heading **Tickets for Made in Canada**. We really hope to see you there!

I would like to congratulate all the MHSB Company members who performed and competed at the Sur la Pointe dance festival in March. Our dancers performed beautifully and both groups received marks between 90-100%! Thank you to Angie Seto and Jennifer Bolt for setting such creative choreography on the girls and for working so diligently with them. An extra big thank you goes out to Lindsay Roden who has done, and continues to do a superb job managing both the Junior and Senior MHSB Companies.

And finally, for the **SNOW WHITE** dancers we have included your registration information in this package. **Ocean Adventure** dancers will receive their packages at their performances May 14<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions at all please do not hesitate to call the office.

Thank you so much for being part of MHSB this year. Looking forward to seeing you at the upcoming performances!

*Martha Hicks*



**MINI SUMMER CAMP**

for 5 to 6 year olds

**JUNIOR SUMMER CAMP**

for 7 to 8 year olds

**SENIOR SUMMER CAMP**

for 9 to 11 year olds

For nine wonderful years, MHSB has been delighting children with a unique and rewarding camp experience right here in the city.

Our summer programs are a perfect way for children of all ability levels to try new dance forms. Children can continue to dance in the forms that they enjoy the most in our 2006 - 2007 dance season beginning in the fall.

If you would like additional information please contact us at 416.484.4731.

On-line registration is available for our summer programs. Please visit us @ [www.mhsb.ca](http://www.mhsb.ca) and go to the Summer Programs tab.

## tickets for **Made in Canada**

As mentioned earlier, the senior school of MHSB will be performing from June 8<sup>th</sup> -11<sup>th</sup> at The Isabel Bader Theatre. This year's production entitled "**Made in Canada**", promises to be an exciting mix of dance forms and will appeal to an audience of all ages. See our dancers perform to well known songs by some of Canada's brightest musicians and composers past and present, as well as tributes to other great Canadian artists. There will be dances honouring Canada Geese, Karen Kain, The Northern Lights - anything you can think of that conjures up Canadian PRIDE! We know that this is a highly enjoyable show, not just for the dancers, but for anyone in the audience who loves music and dance.

In this package we have included a ticket order for you so if you would like to purchase tickets, simply fill out the form and either mail it to us or drop it off at our main office. Someone will contact you shortly afterwards to confirm your order. Due to the demand for tickets we ask that you provide us with a second choice of show time in the event that your first choice is sold out. As well, we ask you to limit the number of tickets you order to 4.

We know that you and your child will be thoroughly entertained by our talented senior students and be inspired to pursue the love and joy of dance.

### When will fall 2006 - 2007 registration packages be ready?

**Pre-Ballet & Pre-Primary:**

Your registration packages will be handed out at the **SNOW WHITE** rehearsals (2384 Yonge St. West Side) on May 2nd and 3rd, 2006.

**Primary 1, Primary 2, Pre-Jazz, Jazz 1, Pre-Hip Hop & Pre-Tap:**

Your registration packages will be handed out just inside the front entrance of The Capitol Theatre on the day of your child's rehearsal / performance of **An Ocean Adventure** on May 14th, 15th, or 16th, 2006.

**The remainder of the school:**

Your registration packages will be mailed out on Friday, May 26th, 2006. Registration will not begin until Saturday, June 3rd, 2006.

**Artbarn School is Coming!**

Starting May 1st, 2006 Artbarn School will be sharing the space above Canada Post with MHSB (2384 Yonge St. West Side). The courses they offer are for adults and children and currently include: Wonderful Watercolours, Knit Cafe, and MiniArt. There will be a two-week Summer Artbreak for children from July 31st to August 11th, 2006.

Check their website for more details - [www.artbarnschool.com](http://www.artbarnschool.com) or call Linda McMaster at 416.518.6108.

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