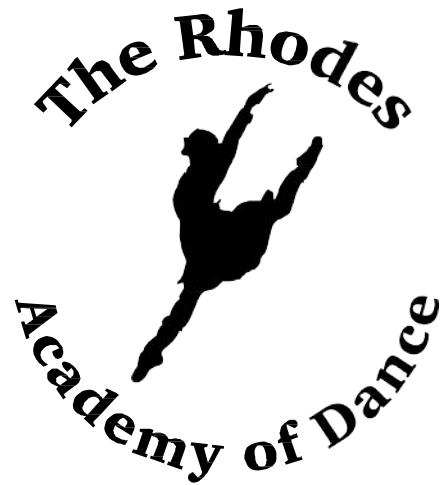


Term Dates 2023

Monday 11th September –
Saturday 2nd December

Half term
16th – 29th October
** 2 WEEKS **



Newsletter

Autumn Term 2023

World Champions!



Dance world Cup Finals

Congratulations to our amazing dancers that qualified and competed at the Dance World Cup finals in Braga Portugal. We competed alongside 55 countries and 7500 dancers with absolutely amazing results and we are now officially double world champions!

World Champions – Gold

Blossom Harmony – Mini small Ballet Group

Magic Man G – Mini large Jazz group

2nd Place - Silver

Rosie Z, Florence H & Olivia S – Mini Ballet Trio
(0.1 mark off of Gold!)

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Welcome Back!

I do hope that you are all having a wonderful break over the summer albeit a slightly soggy one!

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate each and every dancer in the school for all of their continual hard work over the past year and for the most amazing exam results and achievements. It really is so wonderful to see everyone achieve so much, from our Baby Ballerinas to our advanced pupils; you have all made me a very proud Principal and ballet teacher.

I am really looking forward to getting back to class and looking forward to another extremely busy year.

Can I please ask that you read this newsletter and make a note of all of the dates that are applicable to you? Please remember that term dates, timetable and uniform information can all be found on our website

www.rhodesacademyofdance.co.uk

Enjoy the rest of the summer and Bank holiday weekend and I look forward to seeing you all very soon! *Miss Heidi x*

Dance world Cup Finals *Continued*

3rd Place - Bronze

Rosie Z, Florence H, Olivia S & Pippa L – Mini Ballet Quartet

Placed in the Top 10

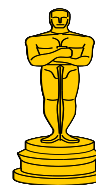
- 4th place – Children’s large Ballet group – Classique
- 5th Place – Mini large Ballet group – Flower Garden
- 6th Place – Rosie Z – Mini Ballet solo (part B)
- 6th Place – Olivia S – Mini Ballet solo (Part A)
- 7th Place – Pippa, Evelyn & Annalise – Mini Ballet Trio
- 8th Place – Ruby & Lexi – Childrens Ballet Duet
- 9th Place – Children’s small Ballet– Rosso

Congratulations to Ruby and Aaliyah who also danced their Ballet solos at the finals.

Fantastic memories were made and we all had the most fantastic time representing **‘Team England’**



Many congratulations to Miss Megan and Miss Lucy who introduced two new additions to our dancing family . . . What wonderful duet partners they will make in the future! Both Miss Megan and Miss Lucy will be returning to teach in September. Welcome to the World Leo 8lb and Harper 7lb 11oz.



Save the Date!

Awards & Presentation

Sunday 19th November 2023

Norden Farm Arts Centre,
Maidenhead

The awards and presentation is to reward the dancers for all of their hard work throughout the year and to give them the opportunity to dance in a theatre environment. **All** children from the school are invited to take part. The dancers will perform a *short* dance from their current syllabus, which allows parents to view the format of the stages of classical Ballet, Modern, Tap, Acrobatic Arts & Lyrical/Contemporary. Children will be presented with a medal for their attendance to the event. Certificates from exams taken throughout the past 18 months will also be awarded, along with outstanding achievement awards.

Summer Show

Sunday 14th July 2024

Wycombe Swan
High Wycombe

Examination Results

Congratulations to all of our dancers who have taken examinations during the past Academic year (Autumn 2022 – Summer 2023) A total entry of 136 Royal Academy of Dance Ballet, 70 ISTD Modern & Tap & 43 Acrobatic Arts.



Primary dancers Savannah, Darcie, Rory & Alexandra.

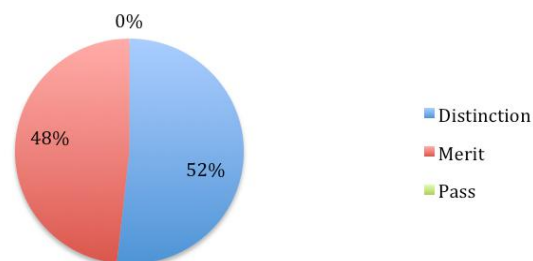


Saphyre, Megan & Freya took their Intermediate Modern examination.

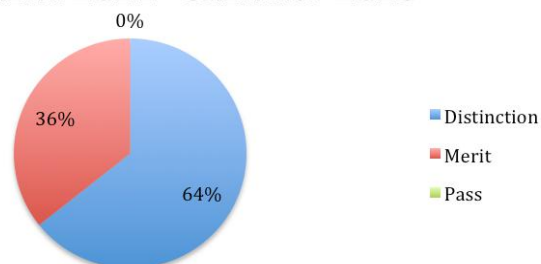


Avika & Beatrix took their first Acrobatic Arts examination.

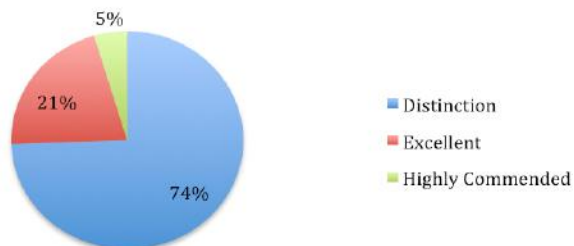
Royal Academy of Dance Ballet Autumn 2022 - Summer 2023



ISTD Modern & Tap Autumn 2022 - Summer 2023



Acrobatic Arts Summer 2023



Pupil Success

The Royal Ballet School Junior Associates

Many congratulations to Juliette and Enya for successfully auditioning for a place on this prestigious course. Both Aitana and Thea have also been offered the online associate classes.

Central School of Ballet Associates

More congratulations to Bella V, Holly D & Edith T who successfully auditioned for places.

Tring Park – Classical Ballet Academy

A Super Well done to Thea who has been accepted to attend weekly classes.

London Junior Ballet

Congratulations to Clemmie, Gwen and Aitana for successfully auditioning for LJB!

Royal Ballet – Sleeping Beauty

Bella V spent a lot of the summer term appearing in the company's production of Sleeping Beauty at the Royal Opera House. How special to be dancing on such an amazing stage alongside the Royal Ballet Company.

Congratulations to our current associates who have all passed their assessments to continue for another year.

The Royal Ballet Ballet School – Annalise, Olivia, Pippa, Evelyn, Rosie, Florence, & Aaliyah.

Central School of Ballet – Lulu, Lotte, Etta, Arrabella, Lexi & Susana.

London Junior Ballet – Imogen.

Francesca & juju completed their second year at The Royal Ballet School - White Lodge.

Vocational Summer Schools

Congratulations to all of our dancers that successfully auditioned and have attended summer schools this year – **The Royal Ballet School** – Ruby, Lulu, Holly & Florence. **Central School of Ballet** – Lexi (Awarded Scholarship) & Chloe. **Paris Opera Ballet** – Rosie. **Yorkshire Ballet Seminars** – Bella V, Holly, Rosie, Lotte, Lexi, Florence, Aaliyah, Ruby, Lulu & Susana. **John Cranko Germany** – Lulu.

What an amazing achievement and opportunity for you all and we hope you all had a fantastic 'Dancing' holiday!



Sound of Music

Arrabella has spent the summer appearing in the Sound of Music at the Chicester Festival Hall. We look forward to hearing all about it in September.

***Goodbye and Good luck** to Chloe who will be attending Tring Park and Roxie who will be attending Arts Ed for full time vocational training from September. We hope you both have the most amazing time and please keep in touch!*

Summer School

We still have spaces for our Mini summer intensive' taking place on the 21st & 22nd August (Age 4 – 6 years) at our studio (SL4 4LE). The cost for two days it is £75 and the course includes ballet, jazz and arts & crafts. We still have spaces available so please email megandanellarhodes@icloud.com to book on! It is a very fun filled two days and we hope more of our dancers can join us!

We have very few spaces left for our 'Summer Intensive' from 23rd-25th August. (Age 7+) The course includes ballet, jazz, lyrical, acrobatics, singing & musical theatre jazz. We are very excited to have such a fantastic line up of teachers including industry professionals who have performed with the Royal Ballet, Wicked the musical, Phantom of the Opera and more!



MINI SUMMER DANCE SCHOOL

MONDAY 21st & Tuesday 22nd August 2023
10:00-1:30

A fun filled two days for young dancers of all abilities!

Ballet • Jazz • Arts & Crafts

Email: megandanellarhodes@icloud.com
for more information!



Adult Ballet

It's never too late to shine!

Silver Swans classes have been specifically designed for the over-55s, but whatever your age, if you are looking for a new way to keep fit and active our Ballet classes will put a spring in your step. Whether you have danced before or want to get back into the swing of it, our classes have something for everyone.

The RAD developed this programme based on research into practice for older learners and classes are only taught by Silver Swans Licensees. Over lockdown I gained my Silver Swans License and I am finally starting a class as follows,

Starting Wednesday 13th September

Wednesday 10:45am – 11:45am (Term time only)
at the studio (SL4 4LE).

If you would like to join this class, please email for more information. heidirhodes@btinternet.com

Hair & Uniform

As we return to a new Dancing year, can we please ask that all dancers wear the regulation uniform to class and all younger dancers do not wear Ballet dressing up outfits? Hair should be in an immaculate Bun for all classes. As a school we have always had pride in our dancers appearance and it is so important for the discipline of dance.

Schools Regulation uniform

Can be ordered direct from our website – <https://www.rhodesacademyofdance.co.uk/uniform-shops/> follow the link 'Online shop'.

This now includes 'Contemporary' uniform and we have suggested a black leotard, however, happy for the girls to wear any black leotard and black footless tights.

Branded Dancewear

Squad Dancewear are our suppliers for Competition Team and Acrobatic Arts. All items can be ordered direct from 'Squad dancewear' and details are below on how to order! Crop tops/shorts/Leotard will be Acro. (they have a choice of what they would rather wear). We have also introduced sweatshirts, cropped sweatshirts, hoodies, body warmers & backpacks! All uniform ordered will have the 'Rhodes Academy of Dance' logo.

- 1 – Visit <https://squaddancewear.com/heidi-rhodes-school-of-dance/>
- 2 – Click "login or register" at the bottom of the page
- 3 – Enter your email address in the "Register" box (you'll receive an email with your username and password for future reference)
- 4 – **Open another tab or window in your web browser** and again visit <https://squaddancewear.com/heidi-rhodes-school-of-dance/> (this time you will automatically be logged in, and will see all of the Heidi Rhodes School of Dance products available for order and can shop online as normal)

Your next visit to shop;

- 1 - Login using the details you've been emailed using this link <https://squaddancewear.com/heidi-rhodes-school-of-dance/>
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- 2 - **Open another tab or window** and again visit <https://squaddancewear.com/heidi-rhodes-school-of-dance/> which will give you access to the Shop.

Ballet shoes . . . are designed to support a dancers young foot, therefore, please do not buy shoes from Amazon, H&M or any other supplier that is not a professional dance shop.

Hair . . . For ALL classes should be secured away from the face and in a neat bun.

NEW classes!

Acrobatic Arts

Saturday mornings from 10:45 – 11:30
suitable from age 4 years.

Pre-Primary Tap & Modern

Saturday mornings from 9:15 – 9:45
suitable from age 5 years.

Petite Ballerinas

Friday 4:00 – 4:30 (Studio)
Wednesday 4:00 – 4:30 (Studio)
Saturday 9:00 – 9:30 St Stephens
Suitable from age 3 years.

Please email heidirhodes@btinternet.com to register your interest.

2nd hand uniform

Please visit our private facebook group;

TRAD LEOTARD AND UNIFORM SALE

School communication



The Rhodes Academy of Dance (facebook page)
TRAD Private Group (Private group)
TRAD LEOTARD AND UNIFORM SALE



Follow us on instagram – therhodesacademyofdance

Terms & Conditions

Can we please remind you of the 'Terms & Conditions' that are signed when joining the school and in particular to the notice period upon leaving.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

A full terms invoice will be issued before the start of each term and fees must be paid by the 2nd week of the new term.

Fees will not be refunded in cases of absence.

A half term written notice is required when leaving the school. Pupils can still attend during their notice period and undertake any examinations etc that might be due.

If you have more than one child attending the school or a child that attends multiple lessons, then we are happy to receive 2 payments.

A £10 administration fee will be charged for late payment.

Unless you state otherwise, you give full permission for photos/videos to be taken at events and can then be used for all media associated with The Rhodes Academy of Dance.

Below are the usual beneficial points that I include in newsletters; however, I feel that there are still a handful of parents that do not follow the rules in our school. If it is a 'Daddy' day and Dad is unable to put your daughters hair in a bun, please bring the pins and bun net and we will do the bun for you. If your daughter arrives to class in 'non' uniform accessories they will be asked to remove them.

Dance shoes - Can you please NOT allow your children to wear any dance shoes outside! This ruins the sole of ballet and character shoes and scratches the taps on tap shoes, which will ruin the very expensive purpose flooring in the studios! If they are seen doing this, they will be asked to remove their shoes for class.

Ascot House Studios — ONLY Park in the correct allocated spaces. Please park in spaces marked **The Heidi Rhodes School of Dancing ONLY!** This includes WEEKENDS as our neighbour's work at weekends too!

All Locations of the school - Can I please ask that you continue to watch your children and do not allow them to run around and climb on furniture and window ledges! For those of you that have been with us for a long time, you will know how much we have fought for all of our premises and I would like to keep them pristine, clean and above all else - safe! ***Can I please ask that you are sensitive to other users of halls/churches when changing your children in and out of dancewear?*** Please clear up dropped food/drinks as children step in this and ruin their Ballet shoes.

