



FOOT NOTES



THE NEWSLETTER OF LONDON JUNIOR AND SENIOR BALLET

SUMMER 2005

THE PROGRAMME

After fifteen successful years of London Junior Ballet it is now more appropriate to sub-divide our students into two sections. From September 2005 there will be London Junior Ballet for 7 – 11 year olds and London Senior Ballet for 12 – 18 year olds.

There will be three levels in London Junior Ballet offering students, in addition to their ballet classes, an optional repertoire class where students learn dances from popular ballets. This class will be taught by Judy Maden, formerly a principal dancer with the Royal Ballet Company.

In London Senior Ballet there will also be three levels, offering students contemporary and pointe work classes in addition to their ballet classes.

AUDITIONS

Auditions for entry in September 2005 will take place on Saturday 3rd September.

GRADUATES

Congratulations to all students who have gained places at full-time vocational schools.

Ex-LJB students are currently studying at full-time vocational schools including the Royal Ballet School, English National Ballet School, London Studio Centre, Elmhurst School of Dance, Central School of Ballet, Arts Educational—Tring, Laines Theatre Arts, Laban, Performers, Millennium and Northern Ballet School.

2005 - 2005 TERM DATES

Autumn Term	17th Sep - 3rd Dec
	No classes - 22rd & 29th Oct
Spring Term	7th Jan - 26th Mar
	No classes - 11th & 18th Feb
Summer Term	22nd April - 8th Jul
	No classes - 27th May & 3rd Jun

LETTER FROM OSLO

NATASHA JONES - NORWEGIAN NATIONAL BALLET



Last July Natasha Jones travelled to Oslo with a contract to dance with the Norwegian National Ballet.

Here is her news.

'I am really enjoying my time here in Norway. It was easy settling in.

The Company arranged accommodation for me. The

Director called me the day I arrived to welcome me to Norway which was sweet and a surprise.

I am fortunate enough to have been involved in all the productions up till now. The Company doesn't do a long run of performances of any ballet as there is not a big enough audience in Norway. It means I really appreciate every show I do and there is no chance of getting bored.

So far I have been a villager in 'Romeo and Juliet', a bridesmaid and other corps roles in 'Taming of the Shrew'; corps in 'Serenade' and of course 'Nutcracker' where I was a snowflake and in waltz of the flowers which I did alternate nights to Chinese. I was fortunate enough to perform cygnets in 2nd cast as one of the girls was injured. Which was sad for her but of course a nice opportunity for me. Also, one of the princesses was ill so I got to do that one night.

As for Oslo itself, it is very cosmopolitan and sometimes I forget I am abroad. It usually only dawns on me when I am shopping. Thankfully, the whole Company operates in English and most people are fluent in English.

The weather is similar to England, the winter is a drier cold than England's though which is much more comfortable.

I am looking forward to my second season with the Company.

Take care

Love Natasha



Student name: Caroline Atkinson
 Vocational school: Millennium
 Local dance school/s: Penny B Academy
 Local ballet teacher: Penny Boyze
 Years at London Junior Ballet: 2



Student name: Marianne Phillips
 Vocational school: Arts Educational, Tring
 Local dance school/s: Dance Consortium
 Local ballet teacher: Louise Mizan
 Years at London Junior Ballet: 3



Student name: Alice Butcher
 Vocational school: Arts Educational, Tring
 Local dance school/s: Redhurst School of Dancing
 Local ballet teacher: Miss K Ball
 Years at London Junior Ballet: 4



Student name: Harriet Ventham
 Vocational school: Laine Theatre Arts
 Local dance school/s: Judith Fox Ballet School
 Local ballet teacher: Judith Fox
 Years at London Junior Ballet: 1



Student name: Katie Charlton
 Vocational school: London Studio Centre
 Local dance school/s: Dance Consortium
 Local ballet teacher: Louise Mizan
 Years at London Junior Ballet: 5



Student name: Charlotte Wood
 Vocational school: Millennium
 Local dance school/s: Dixon Woods School of Dance
 Local ballet teacher: Michelle Dixon
 Years at London Junior Ballet: 6



Student name: Erica Charters
 Vocational school: Laban
 Local dance school/s: Penny B Academy
 Local ballet teacher: Penny Boyze
 Years at London Junior Ballet: 4



Student name: Rachel Gradwell
 Vocational school: Millennium
 Local dance school/s: Suzanne School of Dance
 Local ballet teacher: Victoria Maitland
 Years at London Junior Ballet: 2



Student name: Holly Palmer
 Vocational school: Millennium
 Local dance school/s: The Wenn Stage School
 Local ballet teacher: Dawn Wenn
 Years at London Junior Ballet: 2

EX- STUDENT ROLL CALL

BALLET COMPANIES

Olivia Cowley - Royal Ballet Company
 Francesca Filpi - Royal Ballet Company
 Natasha Jones - Norwegian National Ballet
 Bethany Keating - Royal Ballet Company
 Sarah Kundi - Northern Ballet Theatre
 Emma Lloyd - Dresden Staatsoper Ballet
 Emma Maguire- Royal Ballet Company
 James Streeter - English National Ballet
 Amy Thake - Ballet Ireland

OTHER

Lucy Boldero - Mother Goose - King's Theatre, Glasgow
 Albey Brooks - Chitty Chitty Bang Bang, Eastenders
 Mala Su Mabey - Harry Potter - Goblet of Fire
 Tim Hodges - We Will Rock You

If any of you have news of ex-LJB students please let me know.

FINALLY—HAVE A GREAT SUMMER BREAK—WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU SOON.

LOVE FROM ALL THE STAFF AT LJB