



DANCE STUDIO



## Upcoming Events

### **Saturday 15 July**

Battlegrounds – Bom Squad, JSide & J4 Crews only

### **Monday 17 July**

Term 3 commences

### **Saturday 22 July**

Stomp Charity Ball – High Kix & Tap Kix

### **Thursday 27 July**

Merici School event – High Kix & Senior Mega Crews (TBC)

### **Sunday 30 July**

Term 3 Fees due

### **Thursday 3 August**

Raw Artist, Belconnen Arts Centre – Tap Kix

### **Thursday 10 Aug + Saturday 12 August**

Galaxy Project – All Hip Hop Squad dancers

### **Wednesday 23 August**

Limelight Urban Boys Dance Project Tech rehearsal

### **Friday 25 August**

Limelight Urban Boys Dance Project Performance

### **Friday 25 + Saturday 26 August**

Hollywood Bound Comp - all Squad

### **Fri-Sun 1-3 September**

Showcase Dance Championships – Snr Mega Crew + Snr combined Troupe

### **Sunday 17 September**

Floriade Performance – Squad

### **Sunday 17 September**

Deadline to withdraw from End-of-year Showcase performance

### **Wed-Fri 20-22 September**

Dancefest

### **Sunday 24 September**

Showcase costume deposit due - Holidays commence

### **Thursday 28 September**

Raw Artist, Belconnen Arts Centre – High Kix

### **Monday 9 October**

Term 4 commences

### **Sunday 22 October**

Term 4 Fees due

### **Fri-Sun 17-19 November**

Kids Artistic Revue Comp – full Squad

### **Sunday 5 November**

JDRF Fun Run performance

### **Wednesday 29 November**

Bom Funk Showcase Rehearsal (after school)

### **Thursday 30 November**

Bom Funk Showcase Rehearsal (after school)

### **Sunday 3 December**

Bom Funk Showcase Performances

### **Saturday 16 December**

Presentation night & Break-up Disco

## Term Two Wrap up – Term 3 is on its way!

We celebrated the end of semester one with our first ever Bom Funk GALA held at The Rex & from the amount of positive feedback we have received, it looks like the Gala will be an annual event in our calendar! Congratulations to all of our students who performed – you all had wonderful energy & enthusiasm! All of the teachers were so proud of each student's effort and growth this semester. I would like to extend a thank you to all the parents who volunteered during the day and night, to the teachers & past students who assisted with rehearsals & supervision & to our technical team which included Sidestage Production Services & our own 'Bom Tech' team. I would also like to thank Kurt Phelan for hosting our Gala – he flew in especially for Bom Funk from Brisbane in-between rehearsals for his next musical! Now that we are more familiar with this venue and new midyear show format, we have fine-tuned our procedures and look forward to sharing these with you closer to the next Gala so that our day runs as smoothly as possible for everyone involved.

We now look forward to presenting a very different performance for our End-Of-Year Show at Erindale Theatre with a theatrical show featuring costumes & for the first time ever, a continuous storyline. More details for this will be included in this newsletter.

We have had a busy end to the term with our Squad competing in competitions on the weekends either side of the Gala! We are also looking forward to some really exciting events & projects coming up this term. Term 3 is usually the busiest for extra performances and events so we get ready to brace these with professionalism and excitement!

Please take a few minutes to read the information below.

Thank you.

*Kym Degenhart*

## Class enrolments Term 3

Please see the Term 3 Timetable [HERE](#). We have tried to keep as many classes as possible the same. All students enrolled in classes in Term 2 will be automatically re-enrolled in the same classes for Term 3. As we have almost reached our maximum capacity at Bom Funk, we now have a waiting list. To give priority to our existing customers, we roll over your enrolments first so that students who have been training all year in a particular class will not miss out on a place.

If you wish to drop class/es for Term 3– please complete this quick form so that we can release your child's place to students on the waiting list: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/P7N8TG2>



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Any students who have not advised us of discontinuing with a class before Week 2

will be charged for the term as they have taken a position in the class. Please refer to our [Fee Policy](#) for further clarification.

Students who wish to add a new class can enroll via the [Parent Portal](#) – new enrolments will open on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> July, 9am.

### Invoices

**Term Three fees are due by the end of Week 2 (Sunday 30 July).** Please make sure you advise us of any class changes as soon as possible via the link above so that we can finalise your accounts. Please check the due date on your invoice to avoid the \$25 late fee. If you have concerns regarding fees or require assistance, please don't hesitate to email [accounts@bomfunk.com.au](mailto:accounts@bomfunk.com.au). **Payment plans must be organised before the invoice due date.** Payment Plans must have an automatic bank payment schedule set up so that we can regularly have your invoice being paid off. We have had some difficulty recently with families organising payment plans but then not honoring the payment agreement. If this continues, we will have to put in place a Direct Debit system for everyone as we have a lot of overheads and bills which must be paid on time. Your assistance with this matter is greatly appreciated.

### Midyear Gala

Again congratulations to all of the Bom Funk dancers who performed at our MIDYEAR GALA! From the tiniest of performers all the way through to the spontaneous parent appearances, the atmosphere was electric and our Dance family connected, celebrated and came together for the biggest evening of dance in Bom Funk's history!! We have never sold out before the show opened before! This video is a wonderful overview & look behind the scenes at our Gala: [https://youtu.be/X8H\\_jNBFw00](https://youtu.be/X8H_jNBFw00)



These events require a lot of work to organise & run & there are so many people to thank whom without, the evening would not have been the success that it was:

#### THANK YOU:

- To the teachers and staff at Bom Funk for all of your hard work creating routines for our students and then assisting during bump in & out, rehearsals and the show to bring it all together -wonderful fun choreography, inspiration, guidance & leadership shown!
- To the incredible Kurt Phelan who flew in from Brisbane to host and entertain the audience the entire evening. He had also choreographed a couple of wonderful routines and was more than happy to go along with all the craziness we had

planned for the event - including the Dirty Dancing finale!!

- To Miss Ella & her husband for travelling from Sydney to Assistant Stage Manager and supervise proceedings. Ella also created all of the wonderful graphics & program in the lead up to the show.
- To our studio volunteers & past dancers who spent hours during the day and night assisting with assigned duties, making sure our students were in the best care and ready for their stage appearances.
- To all of the students for their wonderful behaviour throughout the day and night

### TERM 3 TIMETABLE

We have tried to keep the Semester 2 timetable as close to Semester 1 as possible.

We have split the Jazz Funk Jnr Adv class in half and are now offering a Jazz Funk Jnr Adv/Senior class on Thursdays 6.30-7.30pm following Jnr Adv/Snr Tap. This is to extend our older students in the current class and to assist with numbers.

Jnr/Adv Stretch, Flex & Acro is moving to a Tuesday night this term, 5.45pm-6.30pm.

### NEW: Adult All-Styles classes BEGINNER & ADVANCED LEVELS

We are introducing a new class for our Adult clientele in 2 different levels – the All-Styles class will be a fun way to trial lots of different dance styles & a great way to keep fit. Miss Brooke will communicate with class members to find out the styles that people want to focus on and develop a plan from this. The All-styles class will be perfect for those who are time poor but want to dance several styles.

### DVD/USB Orders

Our Gala "Blast From the Past" USBs are almost ready to hand out – students will receive theirs in class or they can be collected from Miss Kym in the Boutique. We will post on Facebook to notify everyone once they are ready. There are a couple of spare USBs available for those who would still like to order one. Order forms are available from the studio or the '[DVD & Photo orders](#)' section of our website.

Our Showcase photos will also be posted onto our Facebook page for sharing as soon as time allows. If you wish to purchase higher quality images of any you see, please don't hesitate to email with the details of the images included.

and their exceptional performances on stage! We can see so much growth each time our students take the stage.

- To all of the parents for preparing your children for the performance and for bringing them to the extra rehearsals.
- To the Canberra Rex Hotel for allowing Bom Funk to take over for the day & night – they were so accommodating and supportive of our vision! No question was too big or too small to answer or deal with.
- To Craig & Alex from Sidestage Production Services for their awesome sound & lighting set up & slick operation on the night – always such pleasure to work with these guys!
- To my 'Bom Tech' crew – Haidee & Jaymie – for sound operation and stage assistance all day & night.
- Last but not least, to everyone who came to watch & support our students and studio last night! We hope you enjoyed yourselves and felt a part of our Bom Funk Family!!

- To Craig & Steph from Family Photographics & Anthony from Anthoz Photoz & Media for the photography & videography during the show. Can't wait to share more of this with you all!! Please follow our Facebook page.
- To our fundraising committee and parents for organising & running the cake stall and raffle to assist our squad students with all of the additional costs involved in competitions. Thank you also to the people who cooked delicious treats for the stall!
- To our suppliers on the night: In the Booth & The Decorating Man & our awesome uniform supplier, Activated Industry– highly recommend all!
- To my husband Adam who supports all of my crazy ideas and assists in every way possible

## Studio Values

Our students have been displaying excellent behavior at all recent events and are certainly upholding our studio values of passion, pride & professionalism, community spirit, creativity and growth. We did however experience some disappointing behaviour from a small minority of our parents/guests at the Gala and would like to send a reminder that the values that we have established and nurture are for all members of our community. We had a several volunteers & staff experience verbal abuse & witness inappropriate behaviour from guests at the Gala and this concerns us greatly. Please remember that you are role models for our children. We also cannot run these events without the assistance of volunteers and if they feel unsafe or unappreciated, they will no longer assist us & therefore our studio events would have to be cancelled. Our volunteers and staff follow strict inductions so if you ever have a question or concern at an event and are unsatisfied with the response, please request to speak to a Director. Studio Directors & Assistant Directors are always present at the showcases to oversee any concerns and assist. Any families not following our values will be asked to leave the studio. We thank you for your assistance in this matter.

## Teacher Achievements

We have a number of teachers travelling overseas in Term 3 to further pursue their careers & study – we would like to wish them all the best on their ventures & look forward to their return later in the year.

- Miss Kristi will be moving to Japan indefinitely to train with some amazing Hip Hop studios. We have loved having Miss Kristi in our team and hope that she will bring her talent & passion back to Bom Funk in the near future.
- Miss Laura is currently overseas in Europe travelling and will be studying Cambridge University in England. She will join us again at the end of term 3.
- Miss Grace will be taking her University prac to India this term! We look forward to hearing all about it on her return later in term 3.
- Riggs received a scholarship to train in New York City this month at the Joffrey Ballet Hip Hop Summer Intensive Program – we can't wait to hear all about his experience and see what new ideas he brings to his choreography! Riggs has created a 'gofundme' page for assistance with financing his flight & accommodation: [gf.me/u/q6pt8](https://www.gofundme.com/u/q6pt8)

## Raffle Winners

2017 Bom Funk Gala  
Drawn 24-06-17

- 1st Prize - Graham Edwards
- 2nd Prize - Sarah Madden
- 3rd Prize - K Mullins
- 4th Prize - Emerson Rees
- 5th Prize - Graham Edwards
- 6th Prize - Maree Wigg
- 7th Prize - Rebus Family
- 8th Prize - Sharni Petty

Congratulations to our winners and thank you to all who purchased tickets and the people & businesses who donated prizes!



## Studio Achievements

Congratulations to all of our Performance Squad for their recent achievements in our dance community:

**Australian Dance Crew Championships** was our first comp for the year – Bom Funk Mega Crew received 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Monster division & JSide received the 'Freshest Beats' award. Bom Squad also competed with an excellent routine.

**Rainbow Dance Competition** was held the weekend before our Gala – this was our first full-squad competition for the year. This was a wonderful, new competition and everyone had a fantastic time as well as achieved some excellent results!

**Overall High scores** (for the age group across all styles):  
 Small groups 12-14yrs - 1st Bom Squad, 2nd Jside, 6th J4 Jnr & 9th Jcrew.  
 Small groups 15yrs+ - 1st Beautiful People (*Diamonds*)  
 Large groups 9-11yrs - 4th Boom! (*Gems*)  
 Large groups 12-14yrs - 4th Mary Poppins (*Jewels*)  
 Line 12-14yrs – 1st Zero to 100 (*Snr Mega Crew*)  
 Top Adult Large Group – 1st Chicago (*High Kix*)  
 Production – 1st Too Darn Hot, 2nd Another Day of Sun, 3rd The Raven. With these results, we won the Top Production Trophy (the really big one!!).

### Outstanding Performance Awards:

Best Hip Hop 9-11yrs: Boom! (*Gems*)  
 Best Musical Theatre Large Group 12-14yrs: Mary Poppins (*Jewels*)  
 Best Musical Theatre 15yrs+: Hamilton (*Snr Troupe*)  
 Best Hip Hop 12-14yrs: Bom Squad  
 Best Musical Theatre, Small Group 12-14yrs: Long way to the top (*Jewels 12*)  
 Best Jazz 15yrs+: Beautiful people (*Diamonds*)  
 Best Hip Hop 15yrs+: Zero to 100 (*Snr Mega Crew*)



That same weekend, J4 Crew + Brock & Bailey from J4 Junior, travelled to Sydney representing Canberra for the second '**Connect Boys Dance**' event. Miss Kym & Miss Ella also attended the event & educator's conference which was a wonderful opportunity to network. J4 Crew performed a routine at the event as special guests. We can't wait to take more of our boys next year to this event!!! It is such an uplifting and inspiring event for male dancers (& their teachers)!!

This same week, J4 Crew, Miss Kym & Miss Natasha taught a 5hr intensive workshop for the **Limelight Boys Urban Dance Project** – 52 male dancers from across Canberra attended to learn the set which will be performed at Limelight in August.



### Judges Choice Awards:

"Spectacular Staging" - Break free (*Topaz*) & "Diva" - Uptown Girls (*Rubies*)

We won the **Best Costume Awards** for Break free, Hamilton & Beautiful People!

NYC Dance experience invitations: Gaga Girls duo, Mary Poppins, Too Darn Hot, Another Day of Sun & Living on a Prayer  
 Hollywood Dance experience invitations: Mungojerry and Rumpelteezer duo, Hamilton & Jside

Our solo & duo performers: Sharni received high golds in her Ballet & Tap & platinum for her Hiphop solo! Hannah Kilpatrick received high golds for her Tap, Ballet, & Hiphop & Platinum for her Jazz & an invite to NYC! Letisha Newell received High Golds for her Jazz & Hiphop – her first competition!!

Our Gaga Girls duo (Hannah K & Letisha) received high gold & placed 5th overall in Duets 12-14yrs. Our Mungojerry and Rumpelteezer duo (Hanna C & Abby M) received platinum & 3rd overall in duets 9-11yrs plus won the Best Musical Theatre award – it was their first competition! Emily Bell won Most Photogenic Award. Izzy Game placed 1st & overall highest points in Tap solo, 2nd in Hiphop and 4th in Musical Theatre + received an NYC invite!



The weekend following our Gala, our Performance Squad was busy again at **Dancelife Unite competition**. Overall results from this competition weekend included 5x 1sts, 3x 2nds, 3x 3rds, 3x 4ths & 10x highly commended! Bom Funk was also awarded the Hip hop Encouragement award! Our soloists Hannah Kilpatrick placed 1<sup>st</sup> in her tap solo, 3<sup>rd</sup> in Hip Hop & Highly commended in her ballet & jazz solos. Letisha Newell placed High commended in her Jazz solo. Kate Kay placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in her Lyrical solo – her first competition!!

A huge thank you to Miss Brooke who managed this competition for our dancers in Miss Kym's absence.

Jade Pardon recently took part in the **Dance Editorial Pre Professional Dance Course** & performed in their graduation show.

Three of our Indigenous students participated in a workshop with Dean Cross as part of the **Connexions**, Ausdance ACT's Indigenous Dance Program in week 10.

Emily Bell is currently working on her piece for **Escalate II** – Ausdance ACT's program to mentor & assist young choreographers. We look forward to seeing her piece finished which includes senior dancers from Bom Funk.

## Upcoming Performances and Events

We have a very busy term ahead with numerous events, performances & competitions for our Squad dancers. We look forward to sharing these with you. All of the dates have been listed on the first page. Please come along to any of the events mentioned to support our dancers! – Further information can usually be found on our [Facebook page](#). Squad students will be emailed details for each event separately next week.

## End of Year Showcase

**\*\*Please note due to a double booking – our technical rehearsal times have changed for our End-of-year Show.**

**Technical Rehearsal: Wednesday 29 November (after school)**

**Technical Rehearsal: Thursday 30 November (after school)**

(Groups will be advised of day & time confirmation closer to the time)

**Performances: Sunday 3 December (11am & 5pm shows)**

Due to the change of dates & so that we can best plan for a smooth rehearsal & performance, please let us know immediately if you have another school or end-of-year function on the same evening as the rehearsals <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/YZ8KJK7>

Class rehearsals and arrival times will be given closer to the event. Please keep these dates free. Attending the technical rehearsal is compulsory for all performers as we will not be having a rehearsal on the day of the show.

We will again be having 2 shows for our End-of-Year Performance. The first will be held in the morning for our "Tots & Troupes." This will be a short 1hr performance showcasing our tiniest dancers and some of our crew and troupe competition routines.

## DANCE TOUR PARIS 2019

Are you interested in travelling overseas with Bom Funk? We are starting to plan for our next tour!

Sign up to register your interest so that we can include you in upcoming meetings/planning sessions:

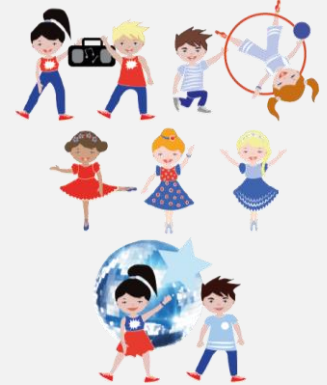
<https://www.bomfunk.com.au/overseas-tours/>

This year we are raising funds for our 2019 PARIS TOUR!

By purchasing an Entertainment Membership with us, you'll not only receive 25 to 50% off and 2-for-1 offers to many of the best restaurants, hotels and attractions in your area but you'll also be supporting a great cause! Find out more

at <http://www.entbook.com.au/9q18263>.

## Dance Birthday Parties @ Bom Funk!



Dance Birthday parties at Bom Funk have been popular this term. We have a number of fun dance-themed parties to choose from – book early to reserve your date:

- Hip Hop Hooray
- Ballerina Beauties
- Polka Dot Princess Tea Party
- Big Top Birthday
- Disco Party (10yrs+)
- For further information and bookings please visit:

<http://www.bomfunk.com.au/birthday-parties/>

Our Major Studio Showcase will then be held in the early evening, allowing for a break & finale rehearsal in between. This year only the major awards & participation ribbons will be presented after the show and class awards will be handed out on our Presentation Day on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> December.



Performing in our concert is a really fun opportunity for our students to experience the joy of dancing in front of an audience. We try to make the occasion as stress-free as possible for students and parents. We would highly recommend participation for all students, no matter the age or level. The focus of our classes for the entire semester is preparation for our Showcase – we highly recommend students attend the same classes in both term 3 & 4 so that they can build the skills required for the performance and learn the choreography. Free class trials are available in week 1 of Term 3 so that you can finalise your class selections if you want to try something new.

Please note that any students who enroll into a new class in Term 4 will not be able to perform in the showcase. They can still attend classes and participate in all activities however we aim to have routines & costumes purchased much earlier than we have in the past. We will also need to order our costumes in the middle of Term 3 so if you are not intending to perform in the Showcase it is imperative you email [info@bomfunk.com.au](mailto:info@bomfunk.com.au) or complete [this form](#) and advise us by SUNDAY 17<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER, otherwise you will be charged for the cost or hire of a costume.

### Change to Costuming:

This year the majority of costumes will be purchased by students – this means that they will get to keep the costumes after the concert. Some classes may still hire costumes, depending on the routine. Our costume cupboard is full so we cannot continue to purchase new costumes for all students. We also have found the time it takes to organise the costumes before & after the Show is horrendous, costly & too many items were being lost & not returned. We will try to keep costs as low as possible and combine items so that less costumes are required, particular for Squad students. A deposit of \$20/costume will be charged to your account in midterm 3. This deposit must be paid by the last day of term 3, otherwise your costume will not be purchased & performance in the Showcase will not be possible. The remaining amount owing for the costume will then be added to your term 4 account. Most costumes will be between \$20-\$40.

This year we are going to follow a famous story (our first time attempting this format!). Hints for our Showcase theme will be given during the holidays via our Facebook & Instagram pages – can you guess what story we are going to reinvent?!!

### + We have something REALLY BIG coming to Bom Funk!

Bom Funk is going to be offering something very special that no one else in Canberra currently has! Once we have this little secret finalised keep an eye on our Facebook page for the BIG announcement – We can't wait to tell you more soon!!.....

*We look forward to seeing you all back in classes for Semester 2!!*

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