



Welcome to Term One @ Bom Funk Dance Studio!

I would like to extend a warm welcome to all of our new students and their families and a big welcome back to our returning students! Welcome to the Bom Funk family! I look forward to catching up or meeting each of you soon. Over the holidays we have kept very busy preparing the studio for 2018 which included the fit out of Studio 3! I would like to thank all those who assisted me voluntarily with this huge project: my Dad visited from QLD for his 60th & spent 8 days painting; my husband also painted during his holidays; Robert Downie for all the 'handyman' installations & fixes; Jack my 'J4 tradie' who helped me move the flooring delivery inside; Sonia & Brooke Downie for their flat pack skills; my Mum for helping me sort and wash all the costumes; and my teachers, Celina, Ashleigh, Emily & Izzy who helped decorate and prepare the studio. The new floor was installed by 5MI, and I'd like to thank Rocco & Natalie Mangeruca for all their help getting it fitted so quickly. I hope I haven't missed anyone! I am sure you will agree, the whole building & new studio is looking great!! We look forward to finishing some final touches, like our acoustic panels for better sound in the next week or so. There is a buzz of excitement around the studio at the moment – all these improvements plus a bunch of exciting new programs! We certainly are looking forward to a fabulous year at Bom Funk!!

For those who don't know me, 2018 is my 5th year as Director & Owner of Bom Funk Dance Studio. I am also a part time high school teacher at Namadgi School but this year I will be teaching years 4 & 5 Primary School Dance which is a big change for me! At the end of last year I completed an International Dance Studio Owner Business course was awarded the Dance Studio Formula Mastery Best results. In the holidays I was interviewed for the Transform my Dance Studio Podcast & later this year I will be publishing a book for dancers, dance teacher & studio owners (in my spare time!). The biggest thing I took away from the course last year was that I could no longer do it all on my own. I am therefore thrilled to have Kym Mullins join our faculty this year as Business Manager. Already I have noticed such an improvement in our communication & processes and we will continue to develop this. Probably the most confusing part for everyone so far is that we have the same name! I also have a private email should you need to contact me on a personal matter – please use director@bomfunk.com.au All general enquiries and account questions need to go through our existing info@bomfunk.com.au address I am excited about everything that we have planned for the studio in 2018! Please keep reading to find out more...

Thank you. *Kym Degenhart*

Upcoming Events

NEW BOM FUNK STUDIO CALENDAR can be viewed on the bottom of the Timetables page on our website:

<https://www.bomfunk.com.au/timetable/>

You can add this to your own Google Calendar ☺

Communication

Have you joined our Bom Funk Family Facebook group? This group is for all members of our Bom Funk Dance community - stay informed, ask questions & grow together!! ✨

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/205249400048180/>



Online Enrolment/Parent Portal

[Parent Portal/Bom Funk Online Account](#).

All class selections need to be finalized this week. Please make sure you have enrolled your child/ren into their desired classes. Many classes are now full with a waiting list or nearly full. We will roll this over each term after your initial sign up in Term 1. If you wish to discontinue a class, please send us an email before the start of the next term so we can open the place up to a new student.



Dance Kingdom Training Day for Tots Instructors

Our online system allows you to view and enrol in classes, view account balances, make payments on invoices, add new students to your family account, add/update mailing addresses, phone numbers, and email addresses and view/print your class schedule.

Existing customers, please make sure your details are correct for 2018, including phone numbers and addresses. We requested families to add student birthdays if they were blank but it appears you cannot do this post enrolment – if your child's birthday is not in the system – please send us a quick email (info@bomfunk.com.au) so we can add this for you. We would like to include a little birthday promotion in the future and it also helps us with class levels and planning when we know ages.

As always these systems are designed to make things easier but they aren't perfect. Please let us know if you have any concerns about your invoices or accounts.

Invoices & NEW Policies

Term One fees are NOW DUE. We have updated our [Policies](#) – please make sure you are familiar with this as changes were made to our fee structure. Term fee payments are due by the start of each term or before the dancer starts their first classes, (excluding trial classes). [Ezidebit payment plans](#) must be arranged if full payment cannot be made by this date. Any unpaid balance by the due date will incur a \$25 late fee. Please make sure you advise us of any class changes immediately so that we can finalise your enrolments as this affects others who are on waiting lists or if the class is small, whether the class will continue to run. If accounts are not paid prior to the 2nd dance lesson or a payment plan is not created and approved, students may be asked to sit out of classes until payment is made.

If you have concerns regarding fees or require assistance, please don't hesitate to email info@bomfunk.com.au. We are a small business and we have a lot of overheads and bills which must be paid on time. Your assistance with this matter is greatly appreciated.

Faculty

We have welcomed several new fabulous staff members to our faculty this year, Miss Michelle Bray and Noah Nguyen. Michelle is a Latin Ballroom, Bollywood & Pole Dance specialist and by day is a high school teacher. Michelle is teaching our Term 1 Adult Dance Fitness & Latin Ballroom classes before heading on a short break to have her first baby! Don't worry – the classes will still run until she is able to return 😊. Noah is our new BBoy teacher and comes with an impressive skills set that he is excited to share with his Break Dance classes! He will also be leading our JKix boys and assisting with our 'Street to Stage' Boys Dance Program. Noah is also a swim instructor and is travelling to us from Yass!



Staff completing their First Aid Training

On staff this year you will also see a number of familiar faces returning or moving into our faculty as Junior Instructors: We would like to welcome back, Miss Brooke, Miss Michelle, Miss Hannah, Miss Maddie C, Jacob, Miss Grace C, Miss Celina, Miss Laura, Miss Ashleigh, Miss Natasha, Miss Savannah, Miss Emily B, Miss Bridget, Miss Takara, Miss Nyah, Miss Carol, Miss Izzy, Miss Kate, Miss



DANCE STUDIO

Keely & Miss Courtney. We welcome from afar Miss Ella who will remain as Assistant Director in Sydney! We have a new pin board with all faculty photos to help

you familiarize yourself with our staff members. If you ever need assistance, please feel free to ask these people to point you in the right direction.



DanceStep - Student Teacher Education Program

Calling for students interested in becoming a Student Teacher in 2018! **LAST CHANCE.** Applications close this Wednesday 14th February.

Bom Funk is now a registered affiliate studio and member of the DanceStep program which covers assistant teaching skills such as behaviour management, different learning needs and styles, Safe Dance Principles and Anatomy. Whether students are considering a

career in dance teaching, looking for leadership opportunities or to increase confidence, the DanceStep program is a great course preparing youth for many aspects of life! Students 10ys+ are eligible to apply.

Become a Bom Funk Student Teacher today: www.bomfunk.com.au/dancestep

Please note for those who have already applied: We will be assigning classes by the end of this week (week 2) – we are just waiting for some classes to settle so that we can see enrolments and make sure classes are not cancelled. The planned **Introduction Day has been moved to **Sunday 4th March, 3pm-5pm**. Apologies for this change but an Arts Conference I must attend has been placed on the originally planned at late notice. Students will commence their position in week 5 after their training session.

Uniforms

All students will be required to wear Bom Funk uniform for their Midyear Gala Performance (rather than costumes to save on cost, time & money for families) so we recommend you get in early with your orders. Orders take approximately 4 weeks to arrive & we have to order minimum quantity so if you miss the order, it could be a while before the next one! The next order will close on Sunday 25th February.

The Bom Funk Boutique will open during school terms at the following times:

Mondays: 4.30-5pm + 6pm-6.30pm

Tuesdays: 4.30-5.30pm

Wednesdays: 5.30-6.30pm

Thursdays: 4.15-5.45pm

Saturdays: 10.30am-11am



NEW!! Coming soon...

Second Hand Uniform/shoes

We have in the Boutique some second hand shoes. If you would like to sell second hand uniforms or shoes, please bring a photo to hang on our board in the corridor near the bathrooms, price & contact details or place a post in the Bom Funk Family facebook group. We will not be managing second hand sales this year. If you wish to donate any items back to Bom Funk we often bring these as spares to all of our events in case of an emergency or give to students who may have struggling families.

Showcase USBs

Pre-ordered USBs from last year's End-of-Year Showcases are available to collect from the Boutique.

Bloch partnership

We have partnered with Bloch so our students can receive discounts in their store– if you do not have a Bloch Privilege card, please collect yours from the Boutique. Families will need a separate card for each child attending classes. If you already have a card from last year, you do not need a new one unless you have changed the number of classes you attend. The more classes you attend at Bom Funk = the higher discount you will receive!

Bloch Privilege card:

Pink Card = 5% discount for students taking 1-3 classes per week

Bronze Card = 10% discount for students taking 4-7 classes per week

Silver Card = 15% discount for students taking 8+ classes per week

Timetable Adjustments/New classes

You can find the most current 2018 timetable on our website: www.bomfunk.com.au/timetable

We have some exciting new classes on offer this year:

- New Tots classes with our Dance Kingdom Program including Bumble Bee Babies, Dragonfly Dance, Tumble Tigers, Hip-hop-o-potamus Tots & Ballet Bunnies! More info on these classes here: www.bomfunk.com.au/tots
- New Namadgi after-school classes for Primary & High School hip hop & high school contemporary
- New Drama/Acting classes for Juniors & Senior students
- New classes for Open age & Adult classes including Dance Fitness, Street Latin, Lyrical & Tap plus old favourites Commercial, Contemporary, Cabaret, Musical Theatre & Song & Dance.
- Beginner level classes for Open age/Adults including Hip Hop & Tap!!
- New Acrobatic Arts Syllabus classes
- New class levels on offer providing a more specialised experience for students: Tots (18mth-6yrs), Junior (6-7yrs), Pre-Intermediate (8-9yrs), Intermediate (10-11yrs), Senior (12yrs+), Open (15yrs+) & Adult (18yrs+).

Student Lockers

Student lockers are located in the female bathroom. If we have enough male students interested in lockers, we will look into ordering another set for your bathroom, in the meantime, please speak with Miss Kym if you are a male who would like to store shoes, etc... at the studio.

Hire costs are \$40/year.

Hire will be given to 'first in, first served' basis once payment has been received.

If you would like to hire a locker, please complete the '[Locker Hire Form](#)' at the bottom of the Boutique section of our website. Once payment has been received, you/your child can collect your key from the Boutique. All keys must be returned by the last day of the year otherwise you will be charged the cost of a replacement key. Bom Funk Dance Studio shall in no way be liable or responsible for any loss of, or theft of, or damage to, any property which is left in the lockers at any time.

VISIT THE TEAM AT
BLOCH CANBERRA



Make the most of your privilege card with savings at your local Bloch store.

Shop EF11, Canberra Shopping Centre. Tel: (02) 6257 7724
Don't forget to present your card at the register.



These cards remain active for as long as you attend our studio.



Performance Squad

First Squad meeting will be held this Sunday 18th February, 3-5pm. Following is a social BBQ – please bring gold coins to purchase sausage sandwich, drinks & lolly bags. This meeting is compulsory for all Squad members. If you are unable to attend, you must send a family representative.

Studio Achievements

It's only week 2 but we have seen a number of achievements already this year:

Congratulations to our Holiday Program Team who organised and ran a 2 day intensive dance program for under 12's and 1 day program for seniors at the studio in January. The feedback from this program was very positive yet again! Thank you to everyone who attended!!

Our first Intensive for the Certificate II & III in Dance ran in January. We currently have 11 students completing this Nationally Accredited course! They all did a fantastic job getting through the theory and dance workshops that were held and are now currently working busily on their projects in preparation for the next intensive held in the April school holidays!



Tap Kix has just been accepted into *Art not Apart* to perform in March. The grant process was very competitive so to receive this for a second year is very exciting. We look forward to seeing the piece they have been commissioned to create for the event held in New Acton!

Bom Funk has just received a Top 25 Most Popular Kids Activity for 2017 Award ranking #4 Most Popular Kids Activity in the Capital Monaro & Snowy Mountains Region!!

Mid-Year Showcase

Our Bom Funk Gala is planned for Saturday 30th June and we are just finalising the venue so this will be confirmed shortly. As well as viewing our class performances, guests will be invited to participate in a number of fun activities (the Dad's Dance off last year was quite the hit!!). Finger food is provided and there will be a bar available for all guests to purchase additional food & drink. We look forward to sharing more information as the details are finalised.

Our End-of-Year Showcase will be held at Erindale Theatre and the dates we currently have on hold are, Technical Rehearsals Thursday 29th November with some rehearsals Saturday 1st and Shows on Saturday 1st & Sunday 2nd December. It will involve all the extravagance that theatre performances have, including professional lighting & costumes and therefore if students choose to participate, attendance at all of the rehearsals and shows is compulsory. We give you these dates now in the hope that you can plan ahead and keep these 3 dates free. Some students might not be required for all 3 dates and we will confirm details closer to end of Semester 2.

CTM Management

We have had 4 students selected so far to attend TVC auditions for huge companies/brands as part of our CTM Management Talent Agency! Congratulations to Gemma & Teagan Batten-Drake, Elouise Timbery & Kate Kay for excellent representation. We look forward to even more success this year.



Joining with an Agency means that we can provide paid work opportunities for our students in the areas of acting, dancing, singing and modelling. A large portion of casting currently is for TV ads which can pay between \$1000-\$2000. CTM also have their own record label for talented singers to gain Industry exposure. The Agency is based in Sydney but hopes to extend opportunities to Canberra as well as Sydney for our Dance students in 2018. Students who join will most likely need to be able to travel to Sydney for auditions and jobs unless it is for a local contract.

SIGN UP DAY: A team of Agents along with a professional photographer will be visiting Bom Funk on **SUNDAY 4th MARCH between 11am-3pm.**

To REGISTER a time on the SIGN UP DAY, please complete this survey:
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/QJPMSZ3>

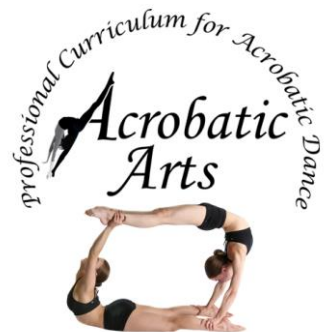
If you would like to join the Agency, you must be a student or family member of Bom Funk Dance Studio. No audition is required to join. On the sign up day, a photographer will take some photos for the online casting network profile. You will get to keep the 4 best photos. The photographer knows what the Casting Agents are after and will photograph to suit. Children cannot wear makeup. Teens are allowed to wear light natural makeup only.

To secure your booking you will be required to pay for the Administration fee (\$40), photo shoot (\$95) and AT2 Casting Database (\$70) to the Agency BEFORE attending on the day (this is not managed by Bom Funk). If you would like more information, please send us an email.

Students & adults of all ages, shapes, sizes and abilities are encouraged to attend as talent scouts look for so many different attributes when selecting for roles.

Acrobatics Arts Students

Our teachers participated in 3 days of training in Sydney to gain qualifications to teach this world-renowned syllabus. Those students enrolled in our Acrobatics classes were assessed last week for correct leveling to suit the syllabus. An email is coming to confirm the best time for your child to attend (if you don't receive one, please attend the time you selected on your enrolment). We also recommend students attending these classes to purchase their own Yoga brick (Kmart \$5) and bring this to class for best hygiene practices. More information will come as the term settles about the possibility to sit exams and move up levels.





Star of the Week

Who will be our first Star of the Week?! All students who receive Star of the Week nominations in their weekly classes will go into the draw to win Bom Funk's Star of the Week Award!!

There are so many ways to get nominated: Work hard • wear correct attire & shoes • wear your hair correctly for your class style • come prepared • participate enthusiastically • help a new student • represent Bom Funk superbly • show personal improvement • work well in groups • remember class choreography...

Active Kids Rebate

We will be able to process your Active Kids \$100 rebate vouchers for Term 2. Unfortunately parents are able to register from 31 January 2018, however Service NSW is not set up to accept small business registrations until 1 March 2018.



Dance Tour 2019

Are you interested in travelling overseas with Bom Funk? We are starting to finalise our plans & itinerary! These have been updated since

our first meeting. If you would

like to come to our next meeting or find out more information, please join our [JSquad – Australia, Paris Tour 2019](#) Facebook Group.

Dance Birthday Parties @ Bom Funk!

Dance Birthday parties at Bom Funk have already started to book in 2018. We have a number of fun dance-themed parties to choose from – book early to reserve your date:

- Hip Hop Hooray
- Ballerina Beauties
- Princess Tea Party
- Big Top Birthday
- Disco Party

For further information and bookings please visit:

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

Follow Us!

Our [Bom Funk website](#) has been updated over the holidays – make sure you check it out & continue to follow all the events on our Facebook pages:

[Bom Funk Dance Studio](#)

[High Kix Cabaret](#)

[Tap Kix](#)

