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Ausdance News & Events



DANCE WEEK IS COMING SOON!

Dance Week will be here before you know it! Get your thinking caps on and organise some Dance Week events!

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Dear Neil,

Welcome to Ausdance ACT's eNews for February 2015.

If you would like your dance event listed **for free** in our dance calendar or would like to share some dance news, please contact us at act@ausdance.org.au

The deadline for inclusion in the March eNews is the 15 February.

February - MEMBERS & SPECIAL EVENTS



7 FEBRUARY. TEAM ROCKIT PRESENTS THE SHOW

FEATURING: TEAM ROCKIT COMPANY | CANBERRA - PHLY CREW | SYDNEY MOMENT | SLOVENIA, 'GOING DARK' DANCE COMPANY (CHARLOTTE & BRADY) | SYDNEY, ROB MCLEAN & LUCY DOHERTY | SYDNEY
MUSIC: ARBORI | SYDNEY, DYLAN HEKIMIAN | CANBERRA

** SHOWS ** tickets \$25
5:30 PM (saturday 7th Feb)
8 PM (saturday 7th Feb)

For all bookings, questions, and queries please contact:
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Belconnen Arts Centre



12-15 FEBRUARY. METASYSTEMS. JAMES BATCHELOR.

METASYSTEMS is a contemporary dance performance that analyses our human interactions with the environment from the individual to the universal. Through the documentation and translation of the processes taking place at the construction site, METASYSTEMS is an observation of the rapidly evolving landscape we inhabit. This physically demanding and rhythmically hypnotic work creates the awareness of a world in flux, a space that is simultaneously being constructed and deconstructed.

> [TICKETS THROUGH THE CANBERRA THEATRE CENTRE.](#)



12-15 FEBRUARY. POST PHASE. CHOLE CHIGNELL & TIMOTHY WALSH.

POST PHASE: The Summit is Blue is an urgent undertaking, a departure point, a pursuit for transition and a hope for an arrival. A pursuit bound to fail; the dancers push their limits. Using a metaphor of scaling an ice-capped mountain the dance explores physical endurance, beauty and their changing relationship. A mountain of ice glimmers in the space, melting, changing state, and reflecting the light. The sound is so persistent the rhythm becomes a texture, filling the air with kinesthetic experience.

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13-15 FEBRUARY. MULTICULTURAL FESTIVAL

A kaleidoscope of colours, sounds, sights, flavours and fun is set to transform Canberra when the 2015 National Multicultural Festival unfolds in the city centre next February.



The festival will feature all the key events and performances it's renowned for, including: the Food and Dance Spectacular, Greek Glendi, Carnival in the City, Chinese New Year, India in the City and the Pacific Island Showcase.

Australian urban pop group Justice Crew will headline Canberra's next National Multicultural Festival. The six-man act will join British psychedelic rock-soul performer Z-Star, Melbourne Bollywood rockers the Bombay Royale and the soulful sounds of returning singer-songwriter Benny Walker.

During the 2014 festival, more than 250,000 people flocked to the heart of the city to revel in Canberra's love affair with its cultural diversity.
Lunchtime Friday to 5pm Sunday.

> [MORE INFORMATION](#)

15 FEBRUARY. QL2 RECKLESS VALOUR AUDITION



Reckless Valour is our biggest project of 2015! A new group of Quantum Leapers will join existing members. You will be working with choreographers Jodie Farrugia, Fiona Malone, Rowan Marchingo, Natalie Cursio and James Batchelor. Reckless Valour is a moving tribute to young Australians in war. It pays homage to the courage of ordinary people in extraordinary circumstances. It invites us to contemplate nationhood, service, and sacrifice; and to celebrate the power of young people to shape the future. Through this journey we are seeking connections

between history and contemporary culture: what war means to Australians, especially young Australians.

WHO: Ages 14-26, with some dance or gymnastics experience - the more the better!
DATES: Audition: Sunday 15 February 2015.
Rehearsals: Sundays from March, and full time during school holidays.
Performances: Canberra Playhouse, 29 July - 1 August
TO REGISTER CLICK [HERE](#)



17-18 FEBRUARY. SHEN YUN.

Embark on an extraordinary journey across 5,000 years of Chinese civilization. From ancient dynasties to the modern day, witness inspiring stories and legends come alive on stage. Featuring classical Chinese dance, a full orchestra, exquisite costumes, and dazzling animated backdrops, Shen Yun will transport you to another world.

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21 FEBRUARY. DANCE IN A DAY.

West Coast Swing is a smooth and sexy style of "street swing" that has exploded out of California and is taking off right across the globe.

If you want to try the style for the first time, want to choose a dance style for your wedding, want to check out Audacity Dance or if you are an experienced dancer who wants to understand the basics of West Coast Swing, this workshop is for you. 11:30-5:00pm. Civic. \$15-45.

> [FIND OUT MORE FROM AUDACITY DANCE](#)



21 FEBRUARY. EVENING OF CLASSICAL INDIAN DANCE.

Sydney's Indian Dance Centre are presenting a series of dance pieces in the classical Indian Dance style, Kuchipudi, at Belconnen Arts Centre. Dating back to over 3000 years ago, the Kuchipudi dance style is known for its alluring, graceful and fluid movements set to rhythmic and percussive musical patterns. \$25/ \$15. 7pm. [Belconnen Arts Centre](#).

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21 FEBRUARY. MYSTERY DANCE NIGHT.

Easy dance drawn at random from 500 years of dance! Lots of guest callers rising to the challenge. Any dress. Mystery potluck supper. \$25 at door or book online for a discount. All Saint's Church Hall

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March - MEMBERS & SPECIAL EVENTS

1 MARCH. HEX. AIDS, activism, sex and disco through the eyes and bodies of a younger generation.



Originally from Canberra, award-winning choreographer James Welsby returns to THE STREET on Sunday 1st March. His hour-long, three person, contemporary dance work HEX reflects on how growing up in the wake of the AIDS epidemic has shaped the queer community in the 21st Century. Armed with humour, reverence and intense sorrow, HEX unfolds in a series of intimate, choreographed vignettes using popular club dance vocabularies.

Playing first at Adelaide Fringe and Sydney's Gay and Lesbian Mardi Gras before moving on to Canberra, HEX is rapidly gaining attention as a catalyst for discussion on what the AIDS crisis means to those born after 1981.

Street Theatre. 7pm. \$25.

> [BOOKINGS THROUGH THE STREET](#)

8 MARCH. FEMALES ON FORM



The female voice and the female form in a cabaret of delight celebrating women's rights. A fabulous line up of ladies in dance for a wonderful dinner show at the gorgeous Pavilion. In conjunction with INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY and two local charities; Canberra Endometriosis Centre and Beryl Women Inc. Pavilion on Northbourne, 242 Northbourne Avenue, Dickson.

STARRING: Chrissie Shaw, Liz Lea, Miss Deb Delicious, Sarina del Fuego, Sugar Starr, Rachael Hilton, Rainbow aka Elizabeth Arcoiris, Jazida aka Rachel Reid, Brooke Giles and Lani S with Quake Belly Dance Troupe, Peppa Mint, Victoria Kitanov

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21 MARCH. WELCOME BALL.

For new dancers, and regulars alike. Any dress. Supper contribution welcome. \$25 at door or book online for discounted tickets.

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**Do you have an event happening in February or March?
[Let us know so we can help spread the word!](#)**

New Classes



GUMNUT DANCE CLASSES NOW IN HACKETT & WESTON CREEK!

Gumnut Dance classes encourage kids to explore and get creative with movement, props, costumes and different dance styles including ballet, jazz and contemporary dance in a happy and safe environment.

> [WEBSITE](#)

Monaro Folk Society



MONARO FOLK SOCIETY

The Monaro Folk Society has a host of dance classes and social dance events. Check the website for their calendar and more information.

> [WEBSITE](#)

6, 13, 20, 27 FEBRUARY. CANBERRA RECORDER & EARLY MUSIC SOCIETY RENAISSANCE DANCE CLASSES.

Black Mountain Girl Guide Hall, O'Connor
8-10pm
For more contact: Estelle Canning 02 4845 0228



SILVER TREADS HAS MOVED!

Silver Treads Seniors Tap Dancing classes will now be held at Lake Ginninderra Sea Scouts Hall in Evelyn Parker Place, Belconnen. Beginner, Intermediate and Advanced classes are on Monday nights during the school term.

If you're looking for a new class, check out the [Ausdance ACT Online Dance Directory](#). You will find classes in various locations in many different styles and levels. If you are a dance teacher, [contact us](#) to find out how to get your class listed!

Opportunities

22 FEBRUARY. CLASSICAL INDIAN INTERACTIVE DANCE WORKSHOP.



For those who are interested in learning more about this beautiful dance style, an interactive workshop will be hosted by the Indian Dance Centre's founder and Director, Shri Raghavan Nair, and his student, Suhasini Sumithra. 10:30am to noon. Belconnen Arts Centre.

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HALL HIRE. Looking for a beautifully maintained floor for dance or similar activities? Folk Dance Canberra Hall at 114 Maitland St, Hackett is available for regular and/or casual hire at very reasonable rates. Contact Rosalyn on 6258 5443 or email rosalyn@internode.on.net.

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