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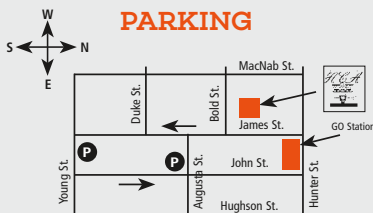
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REMINDERS

If you require access through our back door due to mobility issues, please give us a quick call so that HCA staff can open the door for you!

Please be mindful that music classes are going on in our studios on each floor, and try to keep voices to a minimum.



PARKING

We have parking spots in two different locations: GO Station Parking lot located on MacNab St. and Hurst Pl behind our building. Look for the signs that say "GO Station - Conservatory for the Arts." We also have spots at 111 MacNab, along the back of the house; to access these spots, you must turn up the alleyway beside Royal MacNab Apartments. To avoid receiving parking tickets, please be careful where you park on the street and in the GO lot!

DATES to REMEMBER

- Saturday, October 13 - Saturday, November 17:** HCA Gallery Exhibit - a-z Collective
- Saturday, November 24:** Thursday, December 20 - HCA Gallery Exhibit - Lucy Beardwood-Gerritsen, Laurie Remillard
- Sunday, November 25:** Music Performance Class
- November 26 - December:** HCA Celebration Week/Open House
- Sunday, December 2:** Winter Dance Recital at Glendale Secondary - 2:00pm
- Saturday, December 15:** Sounds of the Holiday Music Gala - 6:30pm
- Saturday, December 15:** Creative Futures Registration Opens
- Saturday, December 22:** Last Day of Classes Before Winter Break
- Sunday, December 23 - Sunday, January 6:** Winter Break (HCA Closed)



Brilliant music in an intimate setting.

Our exciting 2018-19 Concert Line-up!

Valerie Tryon

Sunday, February 10, 2019 - 2pm



"a consummate musician"
- Boris Brott



Janina Fialkowska

Sunday, March 10, 2019 - 2pm

"vibrant, daring, intellectually curious"
- Ottawa Citizen

Michael Lewin

Sunday, April 28, 2019 - 2pm



"awesomely intense style"
- The Washington Post

Tickets

- \$25 regular
- \$20 Senior
- \$15 Student
- \$10 HCA Student

With our Fall term well under way, we are happy to welcome both new and returning students, faculty, and staff to Hamilton Conservatory for the Arts after a busy summer!

We have many initiatives and events to look forward to in the coming months. Music students will have the opportunity to play for family and friends during Performance Classes held throughout the year in our acoustically-resonant Recital Hall. HCA's older dance students will grace the stage at Glendale Secondary on December 2 for our third annual Winter Dance Recital. Watch for details on these upcoming performances!

Each year, Hamilton Conservatory for the Arts welcomes world-class musicians for our Concert Series. During the 2018/19 season, the Zemlinsky Quartet, Valerie Tryon, Janina Fialkowska, and Michael Lewin will be making stops in Hamilton to play. We encourage all of our students to take advantage of our access to performers of such a high calibre - including two Officers of the Order of Canada and a Grammy Award-winner!

Throughout the year, we also have visual artists exhibit their work in our HCA Gallery on the main floor. Enjoy the vibrant work of these local artists - a-z collective, Lucy Beardwood-Gerritsen, the Women's Art Association of Hamilton, and more.



Vitek Wincza
HCA Artistic Director

Our charitable arm, Culture for Kids in the Arts, has provided over 56,000 children in the Hamilton area access to arts programming, regardless of financial circumstances. You can read about their latest holiday campaign initiative in this edition of our newsletter. HCA Dance Theatre, our non-profit dedicated to advancing professional dance in our city, has also been building momentum during the past year. In July, the organization enjoyed its highest attendance for Dusk Dances Hamilton at Bayfront Park. Through 'Together In Dance'

symposiums, HCA Dance Theatre has been engaging with the local dance community to work toward creating a sustainable future for dance artists in Hamilton and providing opportunities to emerging artists.

With our building bustling with activity, we thank you for being part of our HCA family and look forward to sharing many special moments together as a community!

Sincerely,

Vitek Wincza
Artistic Director


MUSIC

**ROYAL CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC
EXAM RESULTS**

Congratulations to the following students for their successful completion of RCM Exams!

Teacher: Teresa Sanecki (Piano)

Callum Prendergast: Level 1, First Class Honours

Instructor: Roland Fix

Renelle Handa - Level 7 RCM, First Class Honours

Gabriel Klassen - Level 7 RCM, First Class Honours

Jerry Wu - Level 7 RCM, First Class Honours with Distinction; 3rd place in the Ontario Provincial Music Festival

Marie Avery - Level 9, RCM First Class Honours

Chris Palmer - Level 10, First Class Honours with Distinction



Instructor: Lauren Cho (Piano)

Julia Robertson - Level 9 RCM, First Class Honours

Jin Byun - Level 8 RCM, First Class Honours

Veronica Schaefer - Level 5 RCM, Honours

Kasia Gasior (Piano)

Madeline Heleno - Level 6 RCM First Class Honours

Chris Palmer - Level 10, First Class Honours with Distinction

Teacher: Teresa Sanecki (Piano)

Callum Prendergast: Level 1, First Class Honours

Welcome to our newest instructors:

Celine Cascanette (Vocal) and Talilya Taye (Piano).

To book 15 minute trial lessons, please call us at 905-528-4020, or drop by the Front Desk and speak to the Admin Staff!



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Why Is Dance Education So Important?

by Denise van Es, HCA Dance Coordinator



DANCE

This is a question that most dance artists and educators receive multiple times! Why is dance education so important and what are the benefits of taking dance compared to any other sport or art form?

- 1) First and foremost, dancing is enjoyable!
- 2) It improves flexibility, strength, endurance, and balance - and leads to an overall improvement of health.
- 3) Dance strengthens bones and boosts cardiovascular health.
- 4) Dynamic and rapid-fire decision-making creates new neural pathways and increases our mental capacity by exercising our cognitive processes in our brains.
- 5) Through formal training, dance students learn valuable life skills! They learn about discipline, time management, and building interpersonal relationships. Dancers learn very quickly that mistakes are part of the learning process and that hard work reaps success!

Overall, dance is a beautiful and athletic art form and has many overlapping benefits. Whether you are taking class, dancing in your living room with your mom (like I used to do as a kid), or choreographing the next big ballet, dance can be a very inspirational and uplifting experience for all!



“When we give arts to all children, we foster creative ambitions, thriving communities, and the enduring courage to dream.”

— Vitek Wincza, Founder and Artistic Director

By investing in one child, you can enrich the whole world. That’s why we partner with our charity, **Culture for Kids in the Arts**. To date **CKA** has given arts access to over 55,000 children and youth. This season, your gift will be matched by **CKA** to bring the transformative power of the arts to even more deserving children. Find your gift envelope enclosed, and return to the HCA front desk, or give online at ckarts.ca/donate



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HAMILTON CONSERVATORY FOR THE ARTS GALLERY PRESENTS

Thyme Travellers
a-z collective

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2018 – SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2018

Current Exhibition

Sat. Oct. 13 - Sat. Nov. 17, 2018

The exhibition, **Thyme Travellers**, explores the historical processes of natural dyes, inks and paint. Inventive sourcing of matter, collecting weeds, flowers and herbs, creating their own naturally derived mediums. Using the natural pigments in classical and experimental ways. These organic living materials yield unique, beautiful colours that may change over time.

a-z collective is comprised of two multi-disciplinary fine artists, Amanda McKinney Sparrow and Zorica Silverthorne.

Upcoming Gallery Exhibitions

Fri., Nov. 23– Thurs, Dec. 20, 2018

Women of the Harvest

HCA would like to welcome our new art instructors for 2018/19:
Ayda Ghaffari and Giulia Morosin. There are still spaces left in all of our art courses
- and we offer free trials!



Follow your passion!

Adult Dance
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Special Holiday
Price!

Adult classes available in theatre, dance, music
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