

WHAT'S NEW!

TERM DATES 2025

March 2025

• **Term 1**: Tuesday 28 January — Friday 4 April.

• **Term 2**: Tuesday 22 April — Friday 4 July.

• **Term 3**: Monday 21 July — Friday 19 September.

 Term 4: Monday 6 October — Friday 12 December.

We have a 40-week year, and the cost of each term is the same, whether it is 9, 10, or 11 weeks long.

NEW CLASSES

2025 we are expanding our timetable with 4 new classes!

Mondays:

4-4:45pm - Mini Performing Arts (4-6 years)

5-5:45pm -Junior Performing Arts (6-8 years)

4-4:45pm - Level 1 Ballet (6-8 years) **5-5:45pm** - Level 2 Ballet

(9-13 years)

To view all MZ classes: https://www.movementzonedance.com/Registration

TERM 2 PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

Monday 21st April 2025 Monday 9th June 2025

EVENTS

END OF YEAR CONCERT:

Fri 8th, Sat 9th, Sun 10th of November (ALL junior and senior)
*more details to follow

Regional Dance Connect

Saturday 11 October *more details to follow



UPCOMING

- EASTER HOLIDAY PROGRAM
- Ages 7-12 years

7 Apr , 8:45 am – 10 Apr 4:30 pm 35 Etty St, Castlemaine.



BOOK HERE



PLEASE READ

IF YOU ARE CURRENTLY ENROLLED IN A CLASS YOU DO NOT NEED TO RE ENROL FOR NEXT TERM. JUST ADVISE US IF YOU'D LIKE TO MAKE CHANGES TO YOUR ENROLMENT.





EASTER DANCE PROGRAM 2025



We have an exciting **holiday** DANCE & PERFORMANCE program for ages 7-12years! (Limited places)

2nd Week of holidays: Monday 7th April-Thursday 10th April - 8:45am-4:30pm Movement Zone Studio, 35 Etty Street, Castlemaine.

DAILY SCHEDULE (subject to change):

- Dance classes (hiphop/contemporary/breakdance)
- Dance games & activities
- 'Just Dance'
- Talent show + more

*Schedule to be confirmed

 Our enthusiastic instructors and our FUN 'Dance Program' will keep your kids active and entertained these holidays.

Instructor ratios are approx 1:8. All of our instructors have current First Aid, WWC and Keeping Kids Safe in Dance.

*Instructors: Sas Cook, Callum Neilson Bridgfoot + others TBC

FOR TICKETS HEAD TO

HTTPS://WWW.MOVEMENTZONEDANCE.COM/EVENT-DETAILS/EASTER-HOLIDAY-DANCE-PROGRAM-JUNIORS





MZ CREW HOLLYWOOD BOUND!

MZ Crew to compete and represent Movement Zone and Castlemaine at this years Hollywood Bound National Dance Competition in Sydney, AUS.

The MZ Crew is a diverse regional dance group based at Movement Zone Studio in Castlemaine. The crew consists of seven dancers who have been training together for 5 to 10 years. During this time, they have performed throughout Central Victoria, showcasing their energetic styles of hip-hop, funk, contemporary dance, and breakdancing.

This dedicated group is eager to represent Central Victoria as they prepare to compete at the Hollywood Bound event from August 15 to 18, 2025, in Sydney, Australia.

To support these extraordinarily talented and hardworking dancers, I am looking to raise funds for their trip. Many of the students and I will be organising various dance events to help gather additional support. Any contribution you can make is greatly appreciated!

Go fund me link below for donations.

https://www.gofundme.com

For more information about the dance competition head to:

https://www.hollywoodbound.com.au









NEW MZ UNIFORMS

Hoodies, tees, hats and knee pads are now available for order!



By Damon Girbon

NEW designs include:

- TEES: YOUTH/ADULT

- **HOODIES:** YOUTH/ADULT

- CROP HOODIE: ADULT

25TH ANNIVERSARY CONCERT PHOTOS! DRESS REHEARSAL PHOTOS By Stevie Fargher MZ BANNER PICS By Stevie Fargher CONCERT PHOTOS





NEW STAFF UPDATE!

Charlie Lloyd-Byrnes - Classical & Contemporary

Charlie is a Melbourne born and based multi-disciplined creative. At age 3, he began performing with youth company Stepping Stones, and later began a 10 year journey with Utassy Ballet School, under Sue Hayes, where he trained in classical ballet, various contemporary movement forms, and international dance styles (Ukrainian, Irish, African, Spanish, Hungarian, Moldavian).

Over the last 3 years he has gained experience in Contact Improvisation, Swing Dance, Capoeira, Fighting Monkey, Qi Gong, and ecstatic/somatic movement styles and practices.

Last year, Byrnes worked as a ballet teacher and mentor, choreographing a piece for Utassy's new contemporary suite, Sensorium. He is currently rehabilitating his inner poet, tattoo artist, live performance artist, and is interested in the intersection between artistry, mystery, and cultivated expression through movement. He is thrilled to be on board with the Movement Zone team and community.

Letitia (Letty) Tseng - Drama & Performing Arts.

Letty is a versatile actor known for her engaging performances in film, television, and theatre. She began her career in Newcastle, where she founded the Caravan Theatre Co., focusing on original local works. Letty received a City of Newcastle Drama Award for her role in David Brown's "In a Mosh Pit, No One Can Hear You Scream." She took her solo show, "The Girl Who Fell From the Sea," to the Edinburgh Fringe, developed during a HotHouse writers residency. Letty's latest project, "The Untouchables," was created with a City of Melbourne grant support during the COVID lockdowns. She founded the Black Stitch Players alongside her partner Harry, which will debut its first show at the Castlemaine Fringe in 2025. Letty is also studying to become a mental health nurse and is excited to start teaching performing arts at Movement Zone.

"Getting to share my performance experience with young, creative locals is such a privilege and I feel absolutely honoured to be part of the supportive, inclusive, nurturing, fun, creative environment that Sas and the Movement Zone crew have so beautifully established here".

Cassie Jacobs - Administration Assistant.

We are excited to welcome our new administrative assistant, Cassie Jacobs, to the team! Cassie joined us in January and quickly became an invaluable asset to MZ, helping Sas with the business and administrative tasks.

We're also happy to introduce Cassie's companion, Benji, a Pom Chihuahua. Benji joins Sas and Dolly, the Chihuahua, in the office every Monday, making them MZ's new mascots!

For any class or general inquiries, please contact Cassie at movementzonestudio@gmail.com





POLICIES & PROCEDURES

Students and families of Movement Zone are part of a vibrant and electric community of performers who highly regard each other.

All who participate are requested to demonstrate a willingness to be held accountable for upholding the studio's values. In all our learning, we aim to ignite the love and passion for the performing arts. Parents, carers and students must understand our policies and procedures. Please see the attached document below.



TERM FEES REMINDER.

We currently have many outstanding invoices. Please be aware that you will incur late fees if a payment plan is not established.

If fees are not paid by the start of the new term, your membership will be temporarily paused.

I thank you for taking the time to read through our newsletter.

If you have any questions or queries, please feel free to email us.

Also, DON'T FORGET to pop the concert dates in your diary.

2025 is the YEAR! .

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