

**ZIRKA UKRAINIAN DANCERS OF THE OKANAGAN VALLEY
2011-2012**

Last Name of Dancer		First Name		Initial	
DOB (YYYY/MM/DD)		Gender (Circle) M F		Highest Level of Dance Experience	
Other dance Experience					
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Other dance Experience					
Last Name of Dancer		First Name		Initial	
DOB (YYYY/MM/DD)		Gender (Circle) M F		Highest Level of Dance Experience	
Other dance Experience					
Parent/Guardian (Primary for contacting) 1.			Parent/Guardian 2.		
Street Address			City		Postal Code
Home Phone:		Cell Phone:		Home Phone:	
Work Phone:		Other:		Work Phone:	
EMAIL (HOME):		EMAIL (WORK):		EMAIL (HOME):	
EMAIL (WORK):		EMAIL (HOME):		EMAIL (WORK):	
Emergency Contact Name & Phone Number:					
<input type="checkbox"/> I authorize the <i>Zirka</i> Ukrainian Dancers of the Okanagan Valley to contact a physician and/or ambulance if a parent/guardian cannot be reached immediately. I will accept responsibility for ambulance expenses.			Medical Concerns		
Doctor		Phone Number		Care Card Number (10 Digits)	
Privacy (please circle and initial):					
<input type="checkbox"/> I authorize photographs of my child(ren) to be posted to the <i>Zirka</i> website (www.Zirkadancers.ca)					
<input type="checkbox"/> I will allow photographs of my child(ren) to be published in local newspapers and newsletters under the discretion of the directors of the <i>Zirka</i> Dancers					
<input type="checkbox"/> I authorize my phone number to be published in a Directory for <i>Zirka</i> parents					
BY SIGNING THIS, YOU ARE AGREEING TO THE FOLLOWING ITEMS FOR THE 2009-2010 DANCE SEASON					
<i>ZIRKA</i> DANCER REGISTRATION INFORMATION (see attached document)					
WAIVER: I agree to abide by the rules and regulations of the <i>Zirka</i> Ukrainian Dancers of the Okanagan Valley as determined by the Board of Directors. I understand that the <i>Zirka</i> Ukrainian Dancers of the Okanagan Valley, its board members, artistic director, instructors and volunteers are not responsible for any accidents, injuries or loss of personal belongings during dance lessons, performances or travel.					
Signature of Parent, Guardian or Dancers over 18					

ZIRKA DANCER REGISTRATION INFORMATION – 2011-2012

OVERVIEW:

- ☆ Dancers who join *Zirka* Ukrainian Dancers of the Okanagan Valley are making a commitment to attend scheduled practices and performances. Parents, please ensure your child(ren) arrive and are retrieved on time. Children cannot be left to wait in the hallway alone for their class or pickup.
- ☆ No dancer will be allowed to dance until his/her registration form is completed and fees paid to *Zirka's* Treasurer.
- ☆ If you are unable to attend your scheduled dance lesson, please contact the dance instructor prior to 5:00 p.m. on your scheduled dance night. Instructors will provide you with a contact phone number. It is VERY IMPORTANT that you let them know if a child will not be coming.
- ☆ If you are not at your scheduled dance lesson the week prior to a performance, you will not perform.
- ☆ In order for students to focus on learning, no parents will be allowed in the gym during dance practice with the exception of the Malanky Deetah parents.
- ☆ The instructor(s) will open the gym door to dismiss each dance class.
- ☆ The dancers and their parents for the next scheduled practice will be allowed into the gym once the previous class has exited (this will ensure that there are less distractions while practice is in session). Parents will then be asked to leave prior to the start of the next scheduled lesson.

VOLUNTEERING:

- ☆ To keep our fees low, we do ask each family to contribute at least four hours of volunteer time during the year. Please indicate on the attached form what you would be interested in doing. (As an alternative, some families may wish to donate \$50 and forego the volunteer commitment. Please talk to one of the board members if this is your wish.)
- ☆ Please see the volunteer form attachment.

TREASURY:

- Family Discounts:** The oldest child pays full price. Each child after that receives a \$40 discount. There is a \$10.00 registration fee for **each** dancer.
- Payment Options:**
 - ☆ Full payment with completed Registration Forms on September 8, 2011 at the Vernon Community Arts Centre (2704A Hwy 6, Vernon, BC) from 6:30 – 7:30 pm.
 - ☆ Equal payments with completed Registration: Post-dated cheques for Sept 15, Oct 15, Nov 15, Dec 15, Jan 15, Feb 15, Mar 15, and Apr 15 included with Registration Form. (Fewer post-dated cheques also accepted.)
 - ☆ Register after September 16, 2011 and pay a \$10.00 administration fee.
 - ☆ There will be a \$30.00 charge for NSF cheques.
 - ☆ Cheques should be made out to: *ZIRKA*.

MAILING INFORMATON

ZIRKA UKRAINIAN DANCERS

P.O. Box 23017

Shoppers Westend P.O.

Vernon, BC V1T 9L8

For contact information for the Board of Directors and dance instructor(s), please see page 6

DRESS CODE / PREPARING FOR PRACTICE

- ☆ Dancers come prepared to listen to directions and cooperate in practices.
- ☆ No jewelry, jeans, gum, pop or candy are allowed.
- ☆ All dancers must wear comfortable, loose fitting clothing; black tights and black t-shirts are strongly recommended.
- ☆ Dancers must wear dance slippers for practice.
- ☆ Hair must be tied back off the face or in a neat ponytail.
- ☆ Bring WATER.

BEHAVIOUR OF DANCERS

- ☆ While participating in classes, performing or waiting to perform, dancers will follow expectations for respectful, responsible behaviour. If poor behaviour is observed by the dance instructor(s), parents will be contacted.

COSTUME CARE DEPOSIT

- ☆ *Zirka* charges a one time deposit of \$50.00 for the Senior and *Zirka* 1 groups and \$25.00 for Intermediate, Junior and the Adult groups. As a dancer goes from Intermediate to *Zirka* 1, \$25.00 will be charged. This charge will be to the maximum of \$100.00 per family. Refunds will be made when the dancer retires from *Zirka* or deducted when dry cleaning is required. Lost costumes will be charged to the dancer.
- ☆ Each costume should be washed and pressed (Refer to your Issued Costumes list for items that should not be washed):
- ☆ Wash in cold water using Zero (or other gentle laundry detergent) and hang to dry.
- ☆ Iron (use Spray Starch if desired)
- ☆ When ironing ribbons, use low heat as they burn easily or steam in the shower
- ☆ Make all costume repairs, if required, and return on hanger in bag.
- ☆ For those items returned soiled, parents will be required to pay the repair/cleaning and forfeit their costume care deposit in full

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

- ☆ *Zirka* monthly Board meetings are held monthly (an email will date and location will be sent) starting at 7:00 p.m. Emailed reminder/agendas are sent out prior to the meeting.
- ☆ Parents will be instructed on where and when we will be able to watch our children dance at “paid” performances (Professional dance engagement).
- ☆ Parents will receive a listing of other *Zirka* families in your group. Each group will have a contact person for relaying messages in the event of a quick call out for cancellation or changes.
- ☆ If a parent has questions for the dance instructor(s), please phone or email the dance instructor and arrange for a private meeting. Instructors cannot take time away from the next group’s practice time to discuss individual students.

PHOTOS:

- ☆ Pictures will be taken periodically throughout the year. Some of the pictures may be posted on the *Zirka* website or displayed at performances. If you do not wish to have your child’s picture displayed please indicate so on the Registration Form.



ZIRKA UKRAINIAN DANCERS

of the Okanagan Valley

WELCOME TO A NEW DANCE SEASON

YOUR SOCIETY

The Zirka Ukrainian Dancers was established in 1979 and has emerged as a vital element in the preservation of Ukrainian heritage in the Okanagan Valley. In 1997 *Zirka* became a registered non-profit society. *Zirka* continues to perform throughout the community and its members are wonderful ambassadors of the Okanagan when traveling for performances or to competitions outside of our region. Upon registration you automatically become a member of the society.

Zirka's repertoire consists of six regional styles, each with its own style of costume and dance. Each year new regional and/or character dances are added to enhance and create excitement to our shows.

The Board of Directors and Committees strive to provide an environment for your dancer that will build confidence, self-esteem, physical fitness, grace, fun and cultural experience through dance. The dancers are a committed group of young people from all different cultural backgrounds who enjoy dance, and *Zirka* endeavors to find the best artistic direction available for its continued success.

WE OFFER...Instruction in Ukrainian dance from pre-school to adult, beginning with basic steps and movements progressing to structured classical and character techniques at the intermediate and senior level.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW...

2011:

- Juniors' & Seniors' first practice – Tuesday, September 13
- Beginners', Intermediates', and *Zirka* 1s' first practice – Thursday, September 15
- Costume exchange– October 15, 2011 (location to be confirmed)
- *Zirka* Christmas Concert — Schubert Centre – to be confirmed

2012:

- January start-up – to be confirmed
- Winter Games (likely no classes) – February 23
- Pysanka decorating & social – Saturday, March 10 (tentative)
- Spring Break (no classes) – March 20, 22, 27, 29
- Mission Dance Festival – Saturday, May 5, 2012 - Mission BC (Juniors & up)
- *Zirka* Year End Show – Saturday, May 12, 2012 – Vernon Performing Arts Centre

ZIRKA REHEARSAL SCHEDULE

TUESDAY

Mission Hill School

Juniors
5:30 – 6:30pm

Seniors
6:30 – 9:00 pm

THURSDAY

Harwood School

Beginners
5:30 – 6:15 pm

Intermediates
6:15 – 7:30 pm

Zirka 1's
7:30 – 9:00 pm

2011/2012 FEES & SCHEDULE

Malanky Deetah *	\$ 25/month	=	\$200 for the year
Beginners	\$ 30/month	=	\$240 for the year
Juniors	\$ 35/month	=	\$280 for the year
Intermediates	\$ 40/month	=	\$320 for the year
Zirka 1's	\$ 45/month	=	\$360 for the year
Seniors	\$ 50/month	=	\$400 for the year

This year's term is from September 13/15, 2011 2010 to May 12, 2012.. Fees are payable for the entire term in September. Some discounts may be available for students registering after November 1, 2011, please see treasurer for details. Malanky Deetah and/or adult classes will be scheduled should the need arise.

Zirka's annual registration fee is \$10.00 per dancer.

Zirka's costume deposits are \$25 for Junior, Intermediate & Adult and \$50 for *Zirka 1* and Seniors. This is a one-time deposit (until you move from Intermediate to *Zirka 1*).

Zirka works hard to provide low fees and an exciting dance program for the Okanagan Valley. The board of directors is a volunteer and welcomes any help. To keep our fees low, we do ask each family to contribute at least four hours of volunteer time during the year. Please indicate on the attached form what you would be interested in doing. (As an alternative, some families may wish to donate \$50 and forego the volunteer commitment. Please talk to one of the board members if this is your wish.)

Your support is greatly appreciated!

2010/2011 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- President:** Anna Paull – a.r.a@shaw.ca 250-558-0972
Fundraising
Parent of Amica & Dannica (Juniors)
- Treasurer:** Lesley Dick elm@telus.net 250-260-6786
Parent of Megan (Seniors)
- Secretary:** **to be filled**
- Member at Large:** Sheila Monroe- samonroe@telus.net 250-545-6050
Past-president; liaison with Canadian Ukrainian Congress
Parent of Cameron (Seniors) & Jonathan (Juniors)
- Member at Large:** Danelle Sloboda - info@goodwelldrilling.com
Costumes; fundraising
Parent of Madison (Intermediates) & Shelby (Beginners)
- Member at Large:** **to be filled**
- Artistic Director:** Nathan Fitch
Nathanfitch9@gmail.com

.....*did you know*.....that yearly fees cover the cost of school rental, insurance and instructors' fees? Additional fundraising provides for music, workshops, Christmas and year-end concerts, special events and additions to the costume bank. Performances and fundraising events need your help. **Please help Zirka and the dancers by signing up fundraising and other Zirka events.** Commitment to your child's attendance for performances is essential in **to help with** keeping our group strong and known in the community.

Newsletters and Important Notices are via email. Please ensure we have your current family email address on your Registration Form!!

www.Zirkadancers.ca

Zirka Ukrainian Dancers Volunteers

Here are descriptions of the volunteer jobs for the *Zirka* dancers. Please sign up for at least one of these listed below. Some of these jobs are an annual event where others are ongoing throughout the year.

Advertising (1 Volunteer):

- Ads going into the local newspapers, radio stations, leisure guides, arts guides, posters and notices. Most of our ads are repeats with slight changes year to year. We need helpers to contact the media, and also to distribute posters for the year end show.

Competition (1 Volunteer):

- May in Mission, B.C.- Assist with entry forms
- Trophy engraving
- Organize backstage helpers

Costume Committee (4 Volunteers):

- Take responsibility for *Zirka* costumes, distribution and organizing for use by the groups
- Assist in the organization of *Zirka*'s annual costume exchange
- Maintain storage facility & inventory listing
- Help with slipper annual order for dancers
- Collect costumes which need storing over the summer

Events Committee (1 Volunteer):

- Books engagements (be the contact person)
- Fill out the booking form (we have a form you fill out with necessary information before we finalize a booking)
- Check venue for appropriateness for dancing and parking/drop-off for dancers.

Christmas Concert Committee (2 Volunteers):

- Organize the family focused show for November or December which includes tickets printing, set up, commentating, music (our music folks help with this part) and finding backstage helpers for the dancers.

Year End Committee: (2 - 3 people)

- Organize volunteers for various jobs (we have a list of all jobs needed)
- Be the liaison with the Performing Arts Centre
- Make up posters
- Organize decorations
- Organize Pizza party after the performance

Group contacts (1 volunteer per class):

- We need to have 1 person per group so that we can efficiently make certain information is getting out to all *Zirka* members.

Fundraising committee (1 Volunteer):

- Funds are raised to offset costs of trips, special events, trips and visiting instructors. In 2008 the club held a basket raffle at the year end show.

Historian (1 Volunteer):

- Compiles the material which concerns *Zirka* from local media, pictures and written copy, and places into a scrapbook.
- Create a large poster or two for displaying our year in review at the show in May.

Music (2 Volunteers):

- Set up and playing of music at venues where we dance as well as the year end show and Christmas event.

Newsletter (1 Volunteer):

- Gather information necessary for club members to know what events are coming up and how they and their children will be involved. Could be online or in print version. Most members have email, only a few may require print. The person doing this task could decide how they wish to format the newsletter.

Photography and Videotaping (2 Volunteers):

- Record some of our events and practices so we have up to date photos for our shows and also for advertising. This will also include some photography at Mission Festival in May 2012

Volunteer List Coordinator (1 Volunteer):

- Keeps track of volunteers and volunteering in the club so that all jobs are completed.

Zirka Board of Directors:

- We need volunteers to help fill out our board so that tasks get delegated and completed! These people help with events or specific tasks.

Please return this bottom portion with your registration form or to any one of *Zirka's* board members (listed above):

Name: _____ Children in which group: _____

I would like to volunteer for:

1st Choice:

2nd Choice:

3rd Choice:

Our success **DEPENDS** on our volunteers! We need all parents and families to volunteer during the year to help with events and ongoing tasks. Families that don't wish to volunteer will be asked to donate \$50 to *Zirka* in lieu of volunteer hours. Together, we are stronger.