

## Goh Ballet's June Showcase Performance



Tickets are now on sale for the Goh Ballet's Annual Showcase Performances on June 17, 18 & 19th at the Vancouver Playhouse Theatre. p: 604-872-4014 ( or in person at the Goh Ballet).

The evening of June 17th features the Goh Ballet Senior Professional School performance: Then and Now: A Process of Artistic

Interpretation with stunning original choreography by Nikolay Levitsky, Jian Rong Sheng and Toru Shimazaki. To compliment their creations, the Goh Ballet will also perform excerpts from renowned classics such as Swan Lake pas de deux, Carnival and Raymonda.

Yellow River, choreographed by Jian Rong

Sheng, is one of the illustrious repertoires to be featured in the Senior Professional School June 17th performance. The significance behind Yellow River is believed to be the origin of Chinese civilization and the pride of China. The dance is a symphonic expression of the happiness and sadness experienced throughout the river life.

Another piece that will grace the stage on the evening of June 17th is Raymonda. Choreographed and staged by Nikolay Levitsky and Vera Solovyeva, Raymonda plays as a fantastical dream that will both delight and captivate the audience.

The Junior School's performance on June 18th and 19th will present timeless fairytales that come to life through the story of dance. Audiences will fall in love all over again with the enchanting stories of Sleeping Beauty, Little Bo Peep, Aladdin and many more in this family oriented production. The performances will feature original ballet, jazz, Chinese dance and contemporary choreography by the Goh Ballet Academy's faculty and repertoire from the Goh Ballet Senior Professional School.

## 2010 Nutcracker Open Auditions - May 30th

The Goh Ballet is holding an open audition call from **1:30pm to 8:30pm, Sunday, May 30, 2010 at the Scotiabank Dance Centre on the third floor** for the second season of their critically acclaimed interpretation of The Nutcracker, to be held December 16 to 19, 2010 at The Centre in Vancouver for the Performing Arts. Choreographed by Anna-Marie Holmes, dancers and students from across British Columbia will have the opportunity to share the stage with Principal Dancers from The National Ballet of Canada and Pacific Northwest Ballet while being accompanied by Musicians of the Vancouver Opera Orchestra.

"I am elated to offer Vancouver audiences the second season of our version of The Nutcracker," said Chan Hon Goh, former Prima Ballerina with The National Ballet of Canada and current Executive Producer for The Nutcracker. "It gives me great honour to deepen our blooming relationship with the Vancouver-area artistic community by involving so many local performers."

Don't miss your opportunity to be a part of this magical production! Specific Call times are as follows ----->

*If you have further questions, please contact Katie Weber p: 604-872-4014 ext. 217 e: [kweber@gohballet.com](mailto:kweber@gohballet.com).*



Sonia Rodriguez & Piotr Stanczyk in the Inagural Nutcracker 2009. Photo Credit - David Cooper

### Audition Call Times

<b>Small Children</b>	Age 6 – 8 years Height 3'9" to 4'
Registration	3:00pm – 3:45pm
Audition	4:00pm – 5:00pm
<b>Tall Children</b>	Age 8 – 10 years Height 4'5" to 4'9" RAD Grade 3 -5
Registration	4:15pm – 5:00pm
Audition	5:15pm – 6:15pm
<b>Junior</b>	Ages 10 and up Height 4'11" and up RAD Grad 6 and up
Registration	1:30pm – 2:30pm
Audition	2:30pm – 3:30pm
<b>Senior</b>	Age 13 and up RAD Adv. 1 and up strong pointe work
Registration (Girls)	5:30pm – 6:15pm
Audition (Girls)	6:30pm – 8:30pm
Registration (Boys)	6:30pm – 7:15pm
Audition (Boys)	7:30pm – 8:30pm

# Announcements

## Priority Registration Day - Success

Goh Ballet conducted its first ever priority registration day on Sunday, April 18 and would like to thank all those who participated to make the day a brilliant success. The atmosphere was both warm and inviting as the academy was packed with students and parents wishing to register for the upcoming Summer and Fall classes. Along with terrific feedback, Goh Ballet wishes to especially thank the parents and students for their patience as well as the volunteers and faculty for their commitment and professionalism. We hope to make next year an even bigger success and look forward to seeing you all throughout the year.

## Thank You Cristina Bucci

The Goh Ballet Academy wishes to send a special thank-you to Cristina Bucci for her time and the invaluable healthy living information she provided to Goh Ballet students on Friday, April 19, 2010.

## Connect with Goh Ballet

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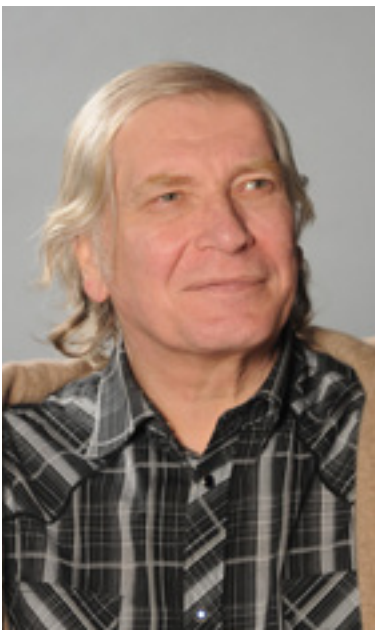
## Goh Ballet Shines at Surrey and PacWest Festivals

Goh Ballet students had a very successful run competing at the Surrey Festival of Dance and the Pacific West Festival this year. Some of the highlights included Mr. Sheng's group dance Mospigel winning first place with a score of 100% and Mr. Sheng being awarded for "Best Choreography" at PacWest. At the Surrey Festival, an impressive thirty-four Goh Ballet dancers were awarded scholarships. Congratulations to all the hard-working, dedicated and talented dancers who represented the Goh Ballet.



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## Summer Program Teacher Spotlight - Nikolay Levitsky



Mr. Levitsky received his dance training at the Kiev Ballet Academy in Ukraine. After graduating, he toured with The Opera and Ballet State Theatre of Ukraine as a Principal Dancer and later for 18 years with The Leningrad State Ballet Company of Russia. In St. Petersburg, Russia he held the position of Assistant Ballet Master and Repetiteur with Eifman Ballet and Ballet Master and Repetiteur with the Leonid Jacobson's Fund. He also taught at the St. Petersburg Liberal University of Art. He obtained his vast teaching experience at companies including The Mariinsky Theatre, St. Petersburg Liberal University of Arts, Universal Ballet Theatre (Seoul, Korea), The Universal Ballet Academy (Seoul, Korea), The Korean National University (Seoul, Korea), Colorado Ballet Company (Denver, CO), and Festival Ballet Theatre (Los Angeles, CA). In 2004 and 2005, he received the Best Ballet Teacher of the Year Award at the Youth America Grand Prix. Mr. Levitsky's wide knowledge in the ballet classics and talent for teaching character dance makes him a well sought-after instructor.

"I am proud and happy to be invited for a third time to teach at the Goh Ballet's International Summer Intensive and for the new Performance Workshop. It is exciting to work with students from different training backgrounds from all over the world. I am looking forward to instructing for both of this year's programs"

# Important Dates

**May 30th** – Nutcracker Open Audition (Scotiabank Dance Centre)

**June 5th** – School Demonstration Day (Open House)

**June 7th-12th** – Assessment & Evaluation Week

**June 17th** – Senior School Show: Then and Now: A Process of Artistic Interpretation

**June 18th & 19th** – Junior School Show: Once Upon a Fairy Tale: Dances that Live in Your Imagination

**June 23rd- July 3rd** – Goh Ballet Performance Intensive Workshop

**July 12th – August 14th** – Goh Ballet 2010 International Summer Intensive

**September 7th** – Fall Term Commences

## Registration

To register for the Performance Workshop, International Summer Intensive or the Fall Semester, please contact the administrative office. p: 604-872-4014 e: [info@gohballet.com](mailto:info@gohballet.com).



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