

# Summer School is in Wellington this year - come join us!

New dancers and Summer School first timers are especially welcome.

Summer School will start with an evening dance on 28th December 2024, and finish after breakfast on 5th January 2025. This year it is based at Scots College, Strathmore, Wellington.

Scots College is set in expansive grounds and offers modern co-ed boarding facilities, ideal for a residential summer school. Accommodation is twin rooms with shared amenities. Common rooms are available nearby.

Whether you are new to dancing or have been doing it for years, Summer School offers something

for everyone. Summer School is the perfect opportunity to develop your technique, explore lots of new dances, or just have fun in the social class. No matter what you are looking for, you are bound to meet old friends, or make new ones from all over New Zealand and the world. We already have registrations from Australia, Canada, Germany, Japan, New Zealand, Turkey and UK.



# **Class Options**

Morning dance classes for all levels are scheduled from 9.00am – 12.00pm for six mornings (no classes on 1 January).

Follow these links to view the class descriptions and a tool to help you select the right class, on the <u>Summer School website</u>:

Junior JAMs	Advanced
Senior JAMs	Very Advanced High Impact
<u>Beginner</u>	Very Advanced Low Impact
Intermediate	Examination Class
<u>Social</u>	Musicians

The examination class is a Unit 5 class, with provision for Unit 3 resit available. If you intend to take this class, please contact <u>education@dancescottish.org.nz</u> to ensure you are included in the Branch application for the exam. Your Unit 4 submission must have been made by 2 July 2024.

The Musicians class will be held in the afternoons and will address instrumental and band technique. It will work towards playing with the resident band for the Summer School Final Night. There will be opportunity to explore other aspects of SCD musicianship, such as playing for class.

# **Other Activities**

We have some interesting extras planned for the afternoons, such as excursions to Zealandia Ecosanctuary and Weta Workshop, short classes to learn other types of dance, musical interludes, and the always popular Mock Court on the last day (Day of Judgement?). Mock Court is a chance to bring your fellow dancers to justice for heinous crimes or petty misdemeanours witnessed at the school – the Judge is never very lenient!

Of course, the evening dances will include all the traditional things we expect to see at Summer School: Theme night (30 Dec, Theme TBC), Hogmanay (31 Dec), President's Ball (2 Jan) and a Ceilidh (3 Jan)

## And if you are unable to commit to the full week we have options for ...

- Half school attendance for commuters (\$450). From 28 Dec 31 Dec inclusive of 3 morning classes and Hogmanay. This option is now available on the <u>registration form</u>.
- A discounted rate for a ticket to all evening functions for non-School attendees, if paid in advance. The detail and costs for this will be put on the website shortly.

# Reserve your place now! Register before 31 August 2024 to avoid the late registration surcharge.

## Scholarships

Remember that the Branch offers a number of scholarships to Summer School Check out the <u>Adult Scholarships</u> and <u>JAM scholarships</u> on the Branch Website. The Branch has recently announced some new scholarships in the July Kiwi News. Full details are available on the Branch website.

All scholarship applications for Wellington Summer School must be submitted by 30 September 2024. Note that Summer School registrations after 31 August 2024 will incur a late registration surcharge. We suggest that you register now and pay your \$200 deposit if you are planning to attend but also want to apply for a scholarship.

#### Summer School Fees

	Up to 31 Aug 2024		From 1 Sep 2024	
	RSCDS	Non-RSCDS	RSCDS	Non-RSCDS
Resident	\$1,950	\$2,050	\$2,050	\$2,150
Commuter	\$850	\$950	\$950	\$1,050
Commuter half school	\$450	\$500	\$550	\$600
Resident JAM*	\$1,200	-	\$1,300	-
Commuter JAM	\$150	-	\$250	-
Commuter musician**	\$250	\$250	\$250	\$250

\*Junior Associate Member

\*\*Only attending the Musicians Class

Summer School resident packages include accommodation, all meals, morning teas, suppers, morning and (optional) afternoon classes, and entry to all evening dances. The Weta Workshop and

Zealandia excursions are not included in the registration fee. Commuter packages do not include the meals or accommodation.

#### Teachers

Meet the amazing line up of talented teachers from overseas and around New Zealand joining us for NZ Summer School 2024/25. Find out more about them on the <u>website</u>.



**Kate Gentles** 



Diana Hastie



**Ruth Budden** 



**Andrea Wells** 



**Elizabeth Ferguson** 



Susanna van der Gulik



Wayne McConnel



**Katherine Uren** 

#### Musicians

We have the highly regarded international musicians Elke Baker on fiddle (left) and Lisa Scott on piano (right) joining us for the School.



New Zealand bands Wild Heather (Lynne Scott, Mary McDonald, Anne-Marie Forsyth and Sharlene Penman) and Aileen Logie's SCD Band (Aileen Logie, Hilary Ferral and Jason Morris) will also be joining us for some evening dances and playing for classes.

Find out more about our talented line up of musicians on the musicians page of our website.

# Summer School Committee

The Wellington Summer School is being brought to you by a group of Wellington dancers who have collectively attended many more Summer Schools than they would care to count! Your committee are: Ann Oliver (Organiser), Andrew Oliver, Jeanette Watson, Peter Beaumont, Michele Miller, Lee Miller and Margaret Cantwell.

We hope you can join us for the fun of Summer School in Wellington.

# We know you'll be blown away by a Wellington welcome.





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