



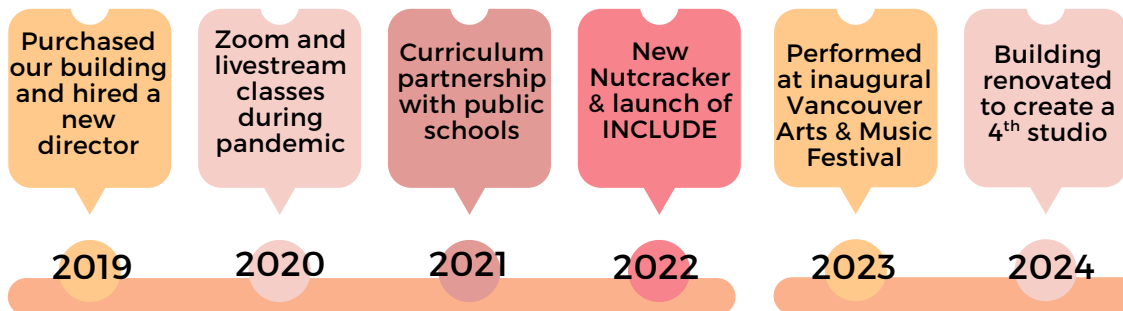
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EVER-EVOLVING GROWTH



2025-2026

- Awarded the honor of performing choreography by George Balanchine
- Launched teacher training program for our high school dancers
- Expanded class offerings for our male students

After a 5-year span of accelerated growth- from a search for a new director, to the purchase and renovation of our building, to the creation of a new Nutcracker, we are focusing on smaller growth and sustainability initiatives. As our dancers know, small growth still takes immense hard work and we are proud of our ever-evolving trajectory.



Enrollment Growth 11.5%
Nutcracker Ticket Growth 10%



INVESTING IN THE WHOLE DANCER: TEACHER TRAINING PROGRAM

Dancing professionally is akin to playing in the NFL or MLB, with luck being as big a factor in success as talent and dedication. While not every dancer may end up with a professional career in the field, every dancer can keep dance as part of their lives into adulthood, be it as a performer, audience member, donor, or teacher. In Summer 2025, we launched our teacher training program to aid our high school dancers with an interest in teaching. They had a training seminar over the summer, are currently assisting in classes, and will soon be leading small portions of classes to gain experience and gather feedback from our faculty who are mentoring them.

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Serenade
Choreography by George Balanchine
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QUALITY INSTRUCTION: AN INCREDIBLE PERFORMANCE OPPORTUNITY

In Spring of 2025, our Company Dancers had the extreme honor of performing an excerpt of *Serenade* by George Balanchine. In order to be deemed capable of upholding the artistic standards and integrity of the Balanchine legacy, Columbia Dance was evaluated by the George Balanchine Trust and coached by repetiteur Sandra Jennings. We did not take this responsibility lightly, and are grateful that our dancers were given the opportunity to experience this beautiful choreography.



IMPACT

215 Students Every Week

60 classes/week including 4 accessible classes

\$50,000 in Financial Aid Awards Annually

Outreach to 1,600 Public School Children

A COMMITMENT TO INCLUSIVITY: CULTIVATING CAMARADERIE AMONGST OUR MALE DANCERS

In 2025, we launched a Boys Cross-Training class to allow our young boys from multiple levels the opportunity to train together. We also doubled the boys class offerings for our advanced dancers.

