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Before Stage. Hundreds enjoyed the dance routines performed by various levels of dancers.





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YOUNG DANCERS trip the light fantastic during A Dance Extravaganza last weekend, a dance performance by Northern Dance Theatre at Before Stage.



the Adjudicator's Choice Award for the Most Promising Irish Dance Group from Nancy Lam at last Friday night's Festival of the Arts awards and honors night. William Toock from Edmonton was the Adjudicator for the Irish Dance.



Photoby Wendy Coomber School finally got out for the Northern Dance Society last Friday as it wrapped up its summer school program for the year. Christie Campbell and company get a last few moments of help from the ballet mistress who came up from Vancouver to teach. The Society also employed the skills of jazz instructor Tammy Mannville from Arizona, a woman in great demand in dance as well as Hollywood films.

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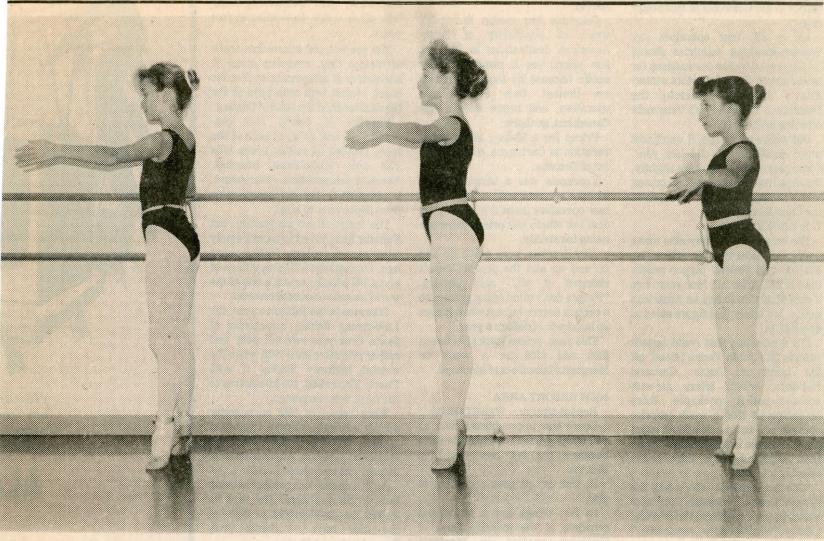


Photo by Scott Crowson
Budding Ballerinas Kelly van Damme, Amber Webster and Janelle
Urchenko were really put through their steps recently when Sheila

Murray, an instructor with B.C. Ballet, came to town. Murray provided free sessions for over 40 local girls at the Jellison Dance Studios lastweekend.



The happy dancers of Northern Dance Theatre Society were pleased to present \$1,000 towards the construction of the new Arts Centre. They are looking forward to performing on the new stage in a proper theatre. In the meantime, most of their recitals and performances are held in the North Peace Secondary School.



gladly received a \$10,000 donation from Dave Bradley, president of the Public Library Board. The Public Library has been fundraising through raffles and book sales to assist with the construction of the new Arts Centre. When the Public Library moves into the new facility, the residents of the area will have many more books to choose from and a more extensive reference library. The new Library will also provide comfortable reading sections and a welcoming atmosphere.

Roy Blackwood (left), treasurer of the North Peace Cultural Society,

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