



# Andrea Bertram Studio

Please make sure your parent or guardian reads this newsletter!

## CONGRATULATIONS

- To **Mathew Walker**, who opened for this year's Songbird Talent Competition at the VIEX.
- To all studio and alumni Songbirds who performed at this year's VIEX competition. You made up 11 of the 16 performers, from more than 70 entries: **Megan Bayliss, Lauren Bissonnette, Laura Ashley Brunet, Crystal Cashmore, Samantha Cashmore, Brynn Newman, Taylor Manns, Jennifer Moffett, Haley Read, Christie Ross, Briana Vojnovich**; especially to **Crystal** and **Laura Ashley** who placed first and second, respectively!

## UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

**September 23 & 25**

*Cabaret Rehearsals with Chelsea*

**September 29**

*Talent Nite Auditions*  
Dover Bay School

**October 13**

*Studio is OPEN*  
(even though it's "Thanksgiving Monday")

**October 20, 21**

*Studio is CLOSED*

**October 4 – 6 PM**

*Cabaret Nite*

St. Paul's Anglican Church Hall (Downtown)

- We will be setting up at 10 am (I need set-up and breakdown crews!).
- Performers to be at the hall again by 6 pm precisely—all "glammed up" (hair out of eyes, glasses off, etc.)
- Arrive early, as parking is limited— please respect reserved parking signs and allow time to search for a spot, or use the nearby pay parking lot on Bastion Street.
- You may bring up to four other people—confirm your number of guests next week in case others need to bring a few more.
- Please bring potluck finger foods (e.g. roll-ups, chicken wings, dolomides, hors d'oeuvres, etc.).
- Water for performers, paper plates, plastic cups, and napkins will be supplied.
- Bring your own wine (and wine glasses), beer, juice and pop.
- Kitchen cutlery, dishes, utensils, and equipment will not be available—coffee/tea will be offered only if someone volunteers to organize and supply it.
- Please make arrangements to stay for the entire evening as a courtesy to all performers (audience concert protocol)-- there will come a time when YOU are the last performer.

***Please take home everything leftover that you brought—including all empties!***

***More Events on Back...***

**November 8**  
*Juvenile Diabetes Fundraiser Gala*  
 Tigh Na Mara Resort

**November 26-29**      *Finian's Rainbow*  
 Dover Bay School Theatrx

**December 8-19**      *Festival Fees Due*

**December 13 – 7:30 PM**  
*Allison Crowe's Tidings*  
 St. Andrew's United Church

**December TBA**      *Dinner Theatre*  
 Cottonwood Golf Course

**December 15-19**      *Festival Rehearsals*

**December 10-21**  
*Yellowpoint Christmas Spectacular*  
 Cedar Community Hall

- A celebration of the meaning of Christmas-- an extravaganza of music and dance, lights and decorations, laughter and tears, all washed down with mince pies and hot apple cider!

Yours in singing,

*Andrea Bertram*