



Natasha Lozovsky-Burns

Beginning Domra and Russian Folk Dance Workshops Character Dance and Ballet Demo

Natasha Lozovsky-Burns has conducted the Russian Community Centre Balalaika Orchestra of Vancouver since 1985, and runs a children's balalaika and domra ensemble which she started in 2000 through the Russian Community Centre's Saturday language school. She is the founder of the Vancouver Russian dance group, RCC Yablochko Dance Ensemble which she has directed for over 20 years.

Natasha spent two years studying music and dance in Kiev, Ukraine, which included courses in balalaika, domra, orchestration, and conducting. She has a degree in education as well as her ARCT (teaching diploma) in piano. Natasha currently teaches music and band to over 400 students at Whiteside Elementary School, which includes over 135 students in junior and senior concert and jazz band, and 75 in intermediate choir.

As artistic director of the Yablochko Dance Ensemble, Natasha choreographed over one dozen character dances, center exercises and 20 original dances. Her dance training began at age 5 with classical ballet, followed by Russian, Ukrainian, and Belarusian dance. She has also taught the RCC Russian Children's Dance Ensemble since 1992. Over the years, she has travelled across Canada and the U.S. teaching both Ukrainian and Russian dance workshops.

Natasha Lozovsky-Burns has attended many BDAA conventions, and was convention co-coordinator of the 1986 and 1991 BDAA Conventions in Vancouver, B.C., Canada.