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A truly unforgettable experience

Young dancer tests herself at prestigious ballet camp

By Stephanie Hounsell CANADIAN CHAMPION STAFF

A local dancer experienced the opportunity of a lifetime when she recently attended the summer program of Canada's National Ballet School.

Nine-year-old Hannah Shikatani spent last month in an intensive training program at the famed ballet school — a program that accepts only the best of the best.

"This was a phenomenal experience," said her mom, Marie.

It all started last fall when Hannah auditioned for the opportunity along with thousands of other young hopefuls. The only thing was, she didn't know she was auditioning.

"I told her it was an open class," said Marie, explaining she didn't want Hannah to feel under pressure or be disappointed if she wasn't accepted.

As Hannah advanced in the process, she caught on that it was actually an audition. But by that time, the hard part was done and soon after Hannah was invited to join the summer program in Toronto.

"I was kind of excited and scared to be away for a month," said Hannah, a student at The Dance Shoppe.

Each day of the program provided intensive training from the experts, and Hannah said she gained an increased confidence in her dancing abilities.

At the end of the month, Hannah said she was glad to return home after having stayed with an aunt in Toronto.

Looking back on the experience, Hannah said her favourite part was "meeting new girls and seeing different teachers."

A l t h o u g h Hannah's too young to audition for the school's yearly program — it starts in Grade 6 and Hannah's going into Grade 5 — she said that might be something she'd consider later on.

In addition to ballet, Hannah enjoys jazz, tap and acro; she's going into her fourth year of competitive dance.

Marie said she's extremely proud of her daughter, but doesn't know if Hannah understands

just how big an opportunity this past month really was.

"Hannah's very quiet. She's very modest — not a braggy, in-your-face type of person."

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GOTTA' DANCE: Young Hannah Shikatani is all smiles
after her big opportunity in dance.

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