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# Dance and music school celebrates 20 years with \$20,000 in scholarships



The Walnut Grove School of Music and Dance is celebrating 20 years of teaching with \$20,000 in scholarships for its students. — Image Credit: Miranda GATHERCOLE/Langley Times



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Walnut Grove School of Music and Dance is celebrating 20 years of teaching by awarding \$20,000 of scholarships to its students.

The awards will take place at the school's Langley location, 8747 204 St., on Wednesday, June 22 at 5 p.m.

Scholarships are being handed out to students based on essays they submitted about what music or dance means to them, and how it has enriched their lives. Other long-time dancers and musicians will also receive five-year and 10-year awards for their studying.

"We wanted to express our thanks in a tangible way to the people that helped us reach this milestone," said school director Sam Beckford.

Walnut Grove School of Music and Dance started with 40 students in 1995, and today has grown to serve more than 15,000 students, making them one of the largest music and dance teaching schools in B.C.