

IT'S ALL GO FOR AN UPPER HUTT SMALL BUSINESS

IT'S ENTERPRISING, IT'S LOCAL AND IT'S OBVIOUSLY FILLING A NEED IN THE COMMUNITY: IT'S ARTS A GO GO.

A small business offering performing arts classes for children which has tripled its numbers in just a year, Arts a Go Go won the Upper Hutt Chamber of Commerce New Emerging Business Award for 2009.

Started a year ago by Pinehaven parents-of-three Rachel Main and Stuart Grant, Arts a Go Go offers classes in dance, drama and singing for children between four and 11 – and it has obviously struck a chord with local parents, with courses always filling fast, particularly for pre-schoolers.

Rachel and Stuart are both qualified and experienced teachers with a passion for working with children to develop creativity through the arts. Rachel, who relishes this opportunity to run her own business around



A delighted Rachel Main with her trophy for best emerging business. With her is Sue Kennedy of the Upper Hutt Chamber of Commerce, sponsors of the award.



Winner Best New Emerging Business
Upper Hutt Excellence in Business
Awards 2009



Drama

Dance

Singing

From age four

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her busy family life, has been involved in musical theatre and trained as a drama teacher, and Stuart is currently director of internationally-recognised Capital E in Wellington.

Assisting them are Drama teacher Lisa Thompson and Matt Clayton and Debs Rea – two performing arts graduates with wide professional performing backgrounds themselves.

Arts a Go Go aims to help children channel their creative energy through a variety of performing arts activities and also encourages children to appreciate the abilities of their peers.

Parents can choose from classes which cover the performing arts, creative dance, drama, vocal exercises and singing.

Classes are held on Saturdays and Wednesday afternoons during term times at the YMCA Valley Fitness and Sports Centre on Somme Road (on the former CIT campus at Heretaunga). Class sizes are limited and there is no need to think you have to buy special dance clothing as it is all about wearing comfortable clothing.

For more information visit the Arts a Go Go website: www.artsagogo.co.nz