



VICTORIA JUNIOR COLLEGE

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To whom it may concern

Gerard Sebastian Raj is a dance instructor who works with us in the Victoria Junior College Drama Club. Mr Raj, a prolific dancer and instructor has been instrumental in VJC Drama Club's success and achievements over the last 2 years.

Most importantly, Mr Raj is a dedicated teacher of his craft. His professionalism and readiness to teach our students in VJC knows no bounds and he has spent many hours honing their skills while perfecting their dance moves. As our Drama club students usually do not have a dance background, Mr Raj takes time to assess the students' abilities and is able to cater to their specific skills. Together with the teachers, he uses his in-depth knowledge and expertise to recommend what each student should focus on in each dance sequence. His thoroughness and attention to detail is indeed admirable as he is able to create specific and beautiful movements in a meaningful and thought-provoking manner. Mr. Raj goes on to develop the students' abilities and teach them movements that they themselves did not know they were capable of doing. Our students are very proud that they have achieved beyond their abilities, thus boosting their confidence.

Mr. Raj's prowess as a dance instructor is certainly undeniable. His proficiency in providing our students with technical skills is definitely commendable as he enables them to translate the moves into powerful dance pieces. His work ethic drives him to produce dance pieces that move and often astound the audience. For students with no prior dance experience, performing these pieces is truly exciting as well as rewarding for them. Audience members, staff and administrative personnel of VJC expressed their delight when watching his dance pieces and certainly hold him in high regard.

However, Mr. Raj does not stop at teaching dance alone. In fact, he makes it a point to go above and beyond by cultivating each students' character and moral standards. Very often, we find him expounding on the virtues of a good character as he strongly believes in the holistic student. He is very good at capturing the students' imagination and they are indeed very inspired by his life and experiences. Not only that, Mr Raj is truly a caring person who encourages our students' to be team players and to look out for one another. Due to this, our alumni are always happy and excited to come back and work with him, certainly a testimony of his charisma and good work ethic.

Apart from working with the students, Mr. Raj has a strong working relationship with the teachers of the VJC Drama Club. He is adaptable as well as quick-thinking when changes need to be made or new movements added to a scene. The teachers have found him to be warm-hearted and thoughtful as well as extremely helpful when dealing with club issues or students. His genial