

## RELEASING THIS WEEK

- ◻ Jodi Breakers (2012)
- ◻ Tere Naal Love Ho Gaya (2012)

## FORTHCOMING

- ◻ Kuch Spice To Make It Meetha? (2012)
- ◻ London Paris New York (2012)
- ◻ Paan Singh Tomar (2012)
- ◻ Kahaani (2012)
- ◻ John Carter (2012)
- ◻ Chaar Din Ki Chandni (2012)
- ◻ 5 Ghantey Mien 5 Crore (2012)
- ◻ 21 Jump Street (2012)
- ◻ Agent Vinod (2012)
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**Flash mob our cherry trees with superstar Shiamak choreography**

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There are a lot of goofy ways to find yourself on YouTube. Here's a really good one: take part in a flash mob choreographed by dance superstar Shiamak Davar - India's "Guru of contemporary Dance." The Vancouver Cherry Blossom Festival (VCBF) invites would-be celebrities to master the Umbrella Dance: an upbeat Bollywood routine that pays tribute to the rain, without which our beautiful cherry trees would not exist. This is Vancouver; of course an umbrella is involved! Anyone can learn the dance; it's funky, flashy and moves to a contagious Bollywood beat.

Watch Shiamak's choreography on YouTube live now at [vcbf.ca](http://vcbf.ca). Shiamak Instructors and Vancouver Performance Team will teach

the dance routine at many rehearsals in community centres around the city, starting February 20th. Listen to the music and imagine 500 people, as good as any group on YouTube, with a couple of rehearsals under their belts breaking into cheery cherry happiness this spring with a flock of pink umbrellas aloft and dancing feet below. "Being a part of the Umbrella Dance, choreographing it and seeing how much joy unique festivals like this can bring, enralls me," Shiamak says. "I always feel proud when people from different backgrounds come together through dance, and I look forward to many more cultural fusions, both here and around the globe."

To join in this fun (and spontaneous celeb-making event) grab some friends and sign up at [vcbf.ca](http://vcbf.ca). For just ten dollars, you will receive a limited-edition official VCBF umbrella, rehearsals, a gift pack of free Bollywood jazz/yoga classes, and entrance discounts to the Vancouver Art Gallery and VanDusen Botanical Garden. The real value of this gift pack is \$65; it's a rare thing to receive more than you give these days! Flash it forward to April 14th at 2 pm, when hundreds of pink umbrellas will descend upon the Vancouver Art Gallery with the Cherry Blossom Umbrella Dance to the delight of onlookers and amateur videographers alike. The Vancouver Cherry Blossom Festival runs from April 5 to 28 and pulls together music, dance (that's you!), Japanese arts, festival food, the new SakuraB special spring bento featuring demonstrations by our top Japanese chefs, haiku, cherry blossom viewing, biking tours and painting into a month-long celebration of the cherry blossom: our city's official welcome to spring. Forty thousand cherry trees grace our streets and parks, and the number is growing. Each year the event grows too, and this year, the Umbrella Dance is new to the city and to the festival.