# Welcome to Movements Academy of Dance

Where we are MAD About Dance!



We invite you to join our MAD Dance Family!

We offer a Free Trial Week to all New Students

Movements Academy of Dance offer Royal Academy of Dance (RAD), Commonwealth Society of Teachers of Dancing (Comdance), Glenn Wood Tap (GWT) and Acrobatics Arts (AA) Examinations as well as a range of extra classes such as Contemporary, Hip Hop, Open Jazz and Cabaret and Musical Theatre.

In this prospectus you will find all of the information to get you started at Movements – where we hope that we can share our love of dance with you!

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## **Littlies Classes**

Classes for Littlies are offered in a combined format covering Ballet, Jazz & Tap within the same forty-five minute class. They are exciting classes covering a lot of technique through fun-based learning. These classes are where the foundations of dance are started. We believe that these are the most vital years in a dancer's life and therefore are always taken by our most qualified teachers. This ensures they have a fun, enjoyable class and also sets up their technique base for the future.

Please note that we also offer an Award Winning Pre-Schooler's fun-based program called Ready Set Dance, please see alternate package for this information as it differs from these classes and class lengths.

#### Mummy & Me

Creative classes for Toddlers – these are a relaxed, casual class where parents join in with their little ones. It is also perfect for the older students who are still building their confidence and wish to to participate in classes with a parent. Students are welcome to attend these as soon as they can walk.

#### **Pre-Tinies 3-4yrs**

This is a class aimed at students who are 3 years old on the 1<sup>st</sup> of January. They explore ballet, jazz and tap in a fun-themed class, continuing to set the foundations of dance.

#### **Tiny Tots 4-5yrs**

This is a class aimed at students who are 4 years old on the 1<sup>st</sup> of January. They explore ballet, jazz and tap in a funthemed class. They also have the option to sit an examination if they have attended from Term 1 and receive an invitation. Examinations are held at the end of Term 3. They are not compulsory but are a wonderful option for the more dedicated little dancer.

#### **Pre-Primary 5-6yrs**

This is a class aimed at students who are 5 years old on the 1<sup>st</sup> of January. They explore ballet, jazz and tap and have a more focused syllabus class, this prepares them for next year where they divide into individual classes for each genre. They also have an Examination option in the Ballet portion of the class, if they have attended from Term 1. The invitations for these come out in Term 2. Examinations are held at the end of Term 3. They are not compulsory but are a wonderful option for the more dedicated little dancer.

#### **Mini-Kids Acrobatics**

An introduction to Acrobatics; floor-based gymnastics. This is a vital class for setting up strength, flexibility and basic Acrobatics Skills.

# Requirements

All Littlies Classes, except for Acrobatics, require Pink Leather Ballet Shoes and Tan Tap Shoes. They also require a dance outfit – a leotard and skirt is preferred. We have studio uniforms available but they are not compulsory.

Acrobatics require bare feet, no baggy clothing – ideally a leotard with shorts over the top. We have studio uniform items available but they are not compulsory.

Hair must be tied up – preferably in a low bun.

Examinations: A 90% attendance rate is required from Term 1 to be eligible to be considered for an Examination. Students are selected only when they reach the required technical standard. Not all students are eligible to sit an Examination each year.

### **Exam Based Classes**

#### **Ballet Grades**

Primary moves to two classes per week Ballet & Tap on one day, Ballet & jazz on the second class per week. Students must be 6 years old on the 1<sup>st</sup> of January to participate in this grade. Students move through the subsequent grades based on age.

Due to the very large syllabus that we follow for Ballet it is compulsory to attend two ballet classes per week from Primary and above. Students are unable to attend just one class per week as they are not able to grasp the workload, or improve on that work, without the second class per week for consolidation.

Royal Academy of Dance is the biggest dance teaching organization in the world and is internationally recognized. Students can be assured that they are learning the very best from highly qualified teachers of the RAD.

#### **Ballet Majors**

Students commence in Intermediate Foundation when they are approx. 11/12 years old. From this grade they are expected to participate in a minimum of two of their own classes and one of the grade above as well as a Pointe Class. This is to ensure they are receiving adequate training.

To move onto Pointe students must be given written approval from one of our RAD-qualified ballet teachers with an adequate number of training hours per week. We also ask that they complete a physio assessment to ensure there are no underlying issues. Pointe can be very dangerous when not handled with the utmost care and adequate training. More information is provided when necessary.

#### **Jazz**

Students are challenged by an up-to-date technical syllabus. Jazz can be done as a standalone class, but if students wish to sit a Exam then they must also take Ballet from Term 1. Ballet is the base of all dance and we find that students are not able to do their best in their Jazz exams without the technique base.

#### Tap

This is a once-a-week class. Tap is vital for great timing, flexible feet and ankles as well as expressing yourself in a unique way. We encourage all of our dancers to be all-rounders as this will do them well in their future should they choose to pursue dance. Tap can be completed as a stand-alone class.

#### **Acrobatic Arts**

Acrobatics is a syllabus working Acrobatic techniques including strength, flexibility, balance, limbering & tumbling. All skills build towards tricks that can be added into dance routines. Dance should be taken in addition to Acrobatics as their techniques overlap. Students can go to the grade that suits their progression. But they must come to the pregrades to ensure they have the correct & safe progressions. Extension Tumbling is invitation only, these invitations will continue through Term 1 as students progress.

# Requirements

A 90% attendance rate is required from Term 1 to be eligible to be considered for an Examination. Students are selected only when they reach the required technical standard. Not all students are eligible to sit an Examination each year.

Ballet – Leather or Canvas Ballet Shoes with elastic from Primary to Intermediate Foundation. Grade 1-8 also require Black Character Shoes. Intermediate and above require Demi-Pointe Shoes with ribbons. Students must wear a leotard only (no skirt) for Grade 1 and above.

Jazz – Black Jazz Bloch Elastabootis

Tap – Tan Slick (or Bloch) Buckle Tap Shoes for Primary to Grade 4. Black Slick (or Bloch) Lace-Up Full-Soled Tap Shoes for Grade 5 and above.

Acrobatics – Bare Feet & tight-fitting clothes (for spotting)

Hair is required to be in a bun for all classes.

# **Open Classes**

Open classes are wonderfully put together and there are no exams attached. You are most welcome to come and take a trial week to try absolutely anything and see which classes are best suited to your child/ren.

#### **Contemporary**

A great class for the classically trained and also for students that just have a love of contemporary movement. This is such an important style in the professional dance industry.

#### **Hip Hop**

Such a popular dance style! We really encourage all students to give Hip Hop go. Also popular among our boys, as well!

#### **Open Jazz**

Open Jazz Classes where students build on their repertoire of Jazz Styles and put their technique into practice with new choreography every week.

#### Cabaret

Shows, shows! Have you dreamed of Broadway? This class teaches students a variety of Broadway Dance Styles. A vital class for every future performer!

#### **Musical Theatre**

Broadway shows mixed with group singing, a fabulous and enjoyable class to also bring out that stage presence!

#### **Adults**

We have classes in Ballet, Jazz as well as Tap. On Monday the Tap is aimed at all abilities and the opportunity to sit an Examination. Silver Swans is designed specifically for dancers aged 55 years and above – Ballet is available on a Thursday as well as a Tap class on a Monday.

#### **Recommended Ages for Open Classes**

Junior/Pre-Senior Classes: 6 - 12 years old and over

Senior Classes: Ability Based (generally 13 years old and over)

Pre-Seniors: 10-13 years can choose to go with the Seniors or the Juniors based on where they are comfortable within their own ability.



# **TRIALS**

We offer a free trial week to new students.

During this trial week if a parent intends to stay they are most welcome to wait in the waiting room and we will switch on our screen for your viewing.

This screen is only used when there is a new trial student in class and is just to give a general idea of the class and whether your little dancer is participating and the sort of work they do. It is on a permanent setting that switches between the blue studio and the pink studio giving parents approx. half of the class to view.

After the free trial week we only conduct Parent Viewing weeks on the last week of Term in Term 1 & Term 2 – during these weeks we invite parents into the actual studio rooms for half of every class. During this time you can take photos and videos of the classes and see what they have learnt throughout their Term.

We do not hold any viewing during Term 3 due to Exams & Concert changeover.

In Term 4 we hold a small impromptu Parent Viewing on the week prior to Concert only for Littlies – Week 8/9. This is just a small viewing of what they have been working for the Concert in case there are any families not participating in Concert. It's also a great time to have a little view so you know where to watch during the big Concert day!



## **Additional Information**

# 2024 Important Dates & Information

The office will be closed from Tuesday, 12th of December

The office will re-open on Monday, 15th of January 2024

Enrolments are based on a first in, best dressed policy.

#### Term Dates for 2024:

Term 1 – Monday, 22<sup>nd</sup> of January to Saturday, 30<sup>th</sup> of March (ten weeks)

Squad Choreo Week for 10's & Above are the week of - Monday, 15th of January (compulsory for Squads)

Public Holidays will be made known in the first Calendar release of 2024.

Limited Classes are held on Examination Days, which will all fall in July/September. Unfortunately some classes need to be cancelled, in these cases make-up classes or credits apply.

If a student misses a class due to illness, etc, they are able to participate in a make-up class.

Compulsory Vacation School for Exam Students is the July School Holidays for Ballet, Jazz, Acro & Tap. We will be holding all Vacation Schools for all genres participating in any Exams.

Concert Rehearsals normally take up every Sunday in November.

Projected Concert Date 2024 - Saturday 4th of December.

#### **Payment Details:**

Name: Movements Academy of Dance - BSB: 014 309 Account: 4061 09399

Credit Card, eftpos or cash is payable in person at the office.

When transferring money the student's name should be referenced in the transfer.

Marellen at Dance & Dazzle located next door in the brown building is able to help with all of your dancewear needs. This is separate to Movements but in an extremely handy location for our families.

When transferring money over the Internet please place student's first & last name & account number where possible. Payments may be made outside of office hours, however only cash or cheque payments accepted. Money or Cheque must be placed in a named envelope, with students name and what the fee is for and may be handed to any teacher. A receipt will be written during the next office day and will be handed to you within the following week.

# Childcare and Kallangur Fair/Woolworths



Our Purpose-Built Dance Studio is located in the heart of Kallangur. All studios are fitted with a TV and video/dvd player for educational purposes. We have off street parking, all studios and the waiting room are fully airconditioned for comfort in summer. Cardiff Air Systems are also installed in the studios to assist airflow in cooler months. A water cooler, microwave and a refrigerator are also available for student use.

52c Duffield Road, Kallangur – in between Goodstart

Students are able to be their best while enjoying learning what they love to do! DANCE

# Eisteddfod Squads/Solos/Duos

We have strong competitive teams – Squad membership is an excellent goal to aspire to. Students must participate in Examinations to be eligible to participate in Squads.

We also offer solos, duos or trios for Eisteddfods for those squad students that are interested. Please contact us for more information. Squads are generally recommended to students that have at least one year's experience at the studio as well as having sat examinations as they must match the technical requirement for the Squad. Choreography Week is the week prior to Term 1 commencing, students must be present during this week to participate. If this is an area you are interested in then please contact us for more information.







# **End of Year Concert**

The studio produces a performance to celebrate the end of each year. This is held at the Redcliffe **Entertainment Centre. We hold two shows** (depending on restrictions), on the first Saturday in December. All students are able to dance in the concert. In order to keep costs to a minimum for our families, we run a costume wardrobe for students in Primary/Junior & Above where multiple costumes are often required. Families have the option of hiring their costumes if they don't wish to purchase them. We conduct a lot of fundraising events to ensure that we are able to maintain the costume wardrobe and provide each child with the chance to perform on stage. Information regarding concert comes out throughout the year. It is not compulsory but highly recommended to complete your dance year.



#### **Fees Structure**

Fees are based on 45 minute classes. This fee structure excludes our Ready Set Dance program which is 1 hour classes, please see our Ready Set Dance Prospectus for that information.

**Term Fees:** Terms are usually 10 Weeks but are charged per Term, based on how many weeks are in that Term. Public Holidays are deducted from your fees.

#### **All Classes**

1 Class per week \$15 Per Week (\$15 per class)

2 Classes per week \$29 Per Week (\$14.50 per class)

3 Classes per week \$42 Per Week (\$14 per class)

More than three classes per week please see packages for special prices.

#### **Squad Fees**

\$50 Enrolment due per Squad on enrolling for Squads for 2024

Then Squads are charged at \$50 per Term per Squad (total Squad cost per year is \$200 per Squad)

Squads run for Term, 1, 2 & 3 Only. This includes Costume Hire, Choreo Week, any rehearsals and any Squad related costs

The weekly class is free of charge to all of our students that participate in at least one other class per week. 10's and above Squads are invitation only.

Casual Class Fees	Make Up Lessons	Private Lessons
Casual Classes - \$20.00 per Class (only accepted in classes	Make Up Lessons are available but only to a total of two weeks per Term. Any more are forfeited. Classes can be one class below or one class above student's grade.	Normal private lesson fees are:
with space)		Half Hour: \$40
Mummy & Me		One Hour: \$70
\$10 per class – or \$40 for a five class pass - stamped on each visit		Solo Choreography (includes four hours + choreo fee) \$340

# **Class Packages**

Students must commit to the full Term.

Terms are generally ten weeks but you are only charged for how many weeks are in the Term.

Bronze	
4 Classes Per Week	
\$54 Per Week	
(\$13.50 per class)	

Silver	
6 Classes Per Week	
\$75 Per Week	
(\$12.50 per class)	

Gold	
8 Classes Per Week	
\$92 Per Week	
(\$11.50 per class)	



# Platinum 'Unlimited' Packages

#### **Junior Platinum**

**Unlimited Junior Classes** 

\$95 Per Week

(Up to and including Grade 5 RAD)

Includes FREE Vacation School for any Exams\*

Half Price Workshops held at MAD

#### Senior Platinum

Unlimited Senior/Advanced Classes

\$100 Per Week

(Inter Found + Pre-Senior and above)

Includes FREE Vacation School for any Exams\*

Half Price Workshops held at MAD

#### **Additional Notes**

The only alterations made to packages are Family Discounts (see following page for details).

Platinum Packages already account for public holidays and no class days etc so no further deductions or make-up vouchers apply. Although, as a courtesy, if a student is unwell and misses a class they may still make up that class with another class they are not already enrolled into.

\*If the student is selected for an Examination or Presentation then Platinum students receive free Vacation School. If a student pulls out of a platinum package within the year then Vacation School for any applicable Exams are payable in a lump sum.

# **Pricing Notes:**

Direct Debit is available to those that wish to pay off their fees through Ezidebit. This is the only option if you plan to pay fees off throughout the term. We charge a 1% admin fee plus a 44c per transaction fee, Ezidebit charge their own fees. Please see us for more information.

If fees are not paid by week two of Term and no agreement has been entered into, the student will be sat out from classes. A \$15 administration fee is payable in addition to the outstanding total before participation in classes may recommence.

Withdrawal must be made in writing or your account automatically rolls over each Term.

Re-enrolment is only required at the end of each year.

Over the January holidays we will be posting out Term 1 fees with classes you have allocated on your enrolment form. Term 1 Fees will be due by the end of the first week of Term. Any changes to your timetable/enrolment may be made in Week 1.

All prices are GST inclusive and are charged per term based on how many weeks are in that term.

Squad Payments are the deposit and per term. Up to and including Term 3. If students withdraw prior to Term 3, the remaining Squad Term payments must be paid.

Fees are non-refundable and cannot be altered for missed lessons or change of mind.

Pupil Free Days at school are not classed as Public Holidays therefore classes are still held.

If you miss a lesson due to illness this may be made up in the same term if a suitable class is available. Please see your teacher for make-up class options. Classes must be made up within the same term.

Classes are not credited for change of mind.

Families of two or more receive 5% off term fees.

Families of two or more on Platinum 'Unlimited' Package receive 10% off term fees.

Families of three or more receive 10% off term fees.

If you have any questions regarding any of this information please do not hesitate to contact us.

We look forward to meeting you soon at Movements Academy of Dance!