



# Your studio guide

Dance is an incredible art form that changes lives. Look inside to see what dance can do for your child. Learn about our dance community and all that we do. Let the journey begin!



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Hello & Welcome to South Sound Dance!

At South Sound Dance we believe dance is for everyone!

Our talented and creative instructors provide a loving and nurturing environment, while challenging each student to reach their fullest potential!

We hope to provide the best dance education and experience to every dancer that walks through our doors. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to ask.

Welcome to the family!  
We are so glad you are here!

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**CEO/ARTISTIC DIRECTOR**

*Hannah Taylor*



# PROGRAMS

## Intro to Dance

### SOAR into your dance journey...

Not ready to jump all the way into your membership yet? This is a great place to start! SOAR is a sessional dance program that introduces dance to new dancers.

SOAR dancers are not members.

SOAR dancers will have a weekly class for 6 - 8 wks depending on the session. Sessions are themed and teach beginner dance skills in ballet and jazz. SOAR students do not perform or have access to SSD member events.





## And so it begins...

Meet Ollie and Olive, the mascots for our ORCA dance program! These two and our incredible teaching team will help your dancer, ages 18 months - 6 years, begin their dance journey in weekly classes.

ORCA dancers follow a curriculum for development where social, motor, and creative skills intertwine with beginner dance. They perform in the Holiday Show, the Spring Recital and our Summer Dance in the Park experience.

We recommend ORCA's take 2 classes per week.



# PROGRAMS 6 & under





# PROGRAMS ages 7 - 9

## Watch them grow...

As your dancer grows and learns with us, they will move into our SPARK recreational dance program for ages 7 - 18 years with classes in ballet, tap, jazz, hip hop, acro, and more! If you are new to our studio, and your dancer is in this age group, they will begin here.

SPARK dancers take a weekly class(es) and have the opportunity to perform in the Holiday Show, the Spring Recital, and our Summer Dance in the Park experience. Find your spark with a dance class!

We recommend Spark dancers take 2 - 3 dance classes per week.





# IGNITE

## Watch them grow...

As your dancers enter their preteen and teen years, they will move into our IGNITE program, with classes in ballet, tap, jazz, hip hop, acro, contemporary and more! If you are new to our studio, and your dancer is in this age group, they will begin here.

IGNITE dancers take a weekly class(es) and have the opportunity to perform in the Holiday Show, the Spring Recital, and our Summer Dance in the Park experience.

Ignite your passion for dance!

We recommend Ignite dancers take 2-4 dance classes per week.

# PROGRAMS ages 10 - 18





**Let's Amp  
it up...**



After you have danced with us for a year, AMPLIFY is the perfect program to step up your dance game, be a part of a team, and perform! With classes from age 5 - 18, this program will develop your child's confidence like no other!

AMPLIFY students enroll in a ballet, tap, jazz, or hip hop class and enroll in an AMPLIFY class. They perform in the Holiday Show, Spring Recital, community performances, and a dance competition! So amp up your dancing and join the team!

Requirements: ages 5 - 18, 3-4 classes minimum per week, AMPLIFY membership and 10 month commitment.

Email [amplify@southsounddance.com](mailto:amplify@southsounddance.com) for more details!

**PROGRAMS  
TEAMS**





## Time to fly...



After your dancer has been a part of the AMPLIFY program we may see that they are ready to fly! ELEVATE is a preprofessional program for dancers ages 7 - 18 years looking to elevate their dance training and take on the world. While all of these dancers may not choose a professional dance career they end up becoming incredible accomplished humans!

ELEVATE students must audition and take a required number of classes. Members compete at 3 dance competitions, perform locally, and participate in studio performances. Elevate builds you up technically & artistically!

Requirements: Audition, 5 class minimum per week, Elevate Membership, 12 month commitment.

Email [elevate@southsounddance.com](mailto:elevate@southsounddance.com) for more details!

# PROGRAMS TEAMS







## Let's keep moving...

After your dancer graduates they will always be a part of our dance family! And we have adult classes that they can return to.

Adult classes are perfect for anyone who wants to challenge the brain, work the body, develop dance training, and continue to enjoy the joy of dance!

We currently offer ballet, tap, jazz, and contemporary adult dance! Take as many adult classes as you can fit into your schedule! We have classes for beginner and intermediate adults. Keep on dancing!

# ADULT DANCE



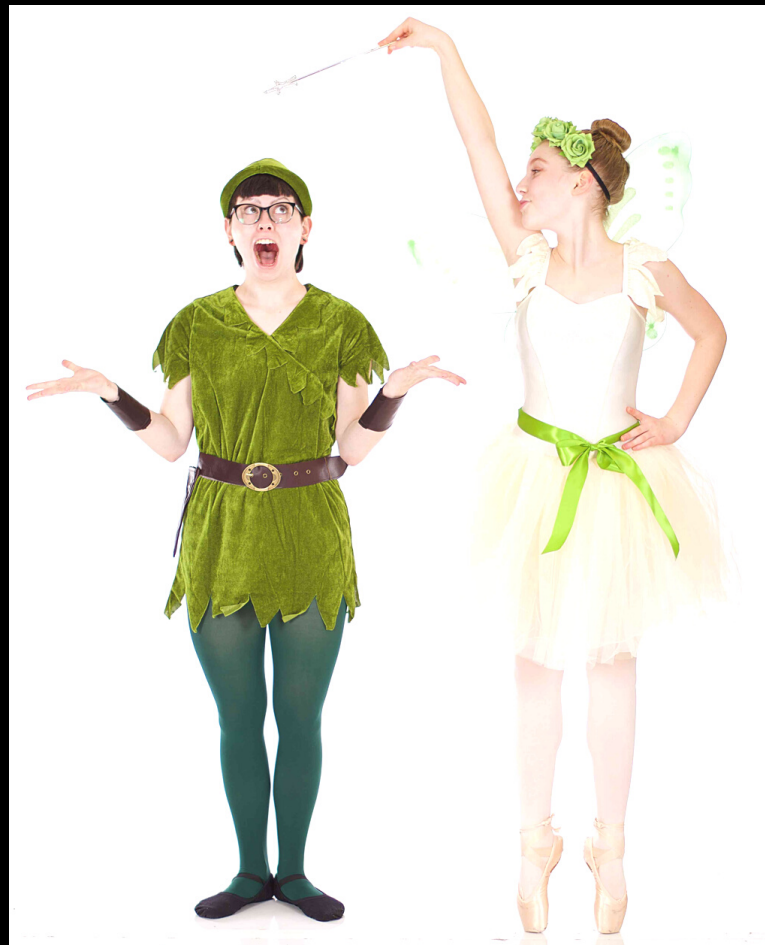
# PERFORMANCES

## Holiday Show

Performances are the best way to build your child's confidence and show case what they have been learning in their classes. The Holiday Show is one of our students favorite performances of the entire year! It's a spoof of the traditional nutcracker and tells this classic story with a twist, including all styles of dance! Dancers ages 2 and older may participate. Examples of our performances in the past include:

- Nuts for the Mouse (a Disney spoof)
- Son of a Nutcracker (a spoof on the movie Elf)
- A Very Merry Muppet Nutcracker (Muppets!)

Learn more about the Holiday Show & associated expenses by [downloading our EXPERIENCE IT HANDBOOK.](#)



# PERFORMANCES



## Recital

Recital is the culminating event for your dancer! And participating in recital is so important for your child to really experience all that dance has to offer. At recital your child will get to showcase everything they have achieved throughout the year, dance in front of an audience and have a live performance experience, celebrate with their class, AND create memories that will last a lifetime. This is something you definitely want your child to experience!

We love to honor our students at recital too, so you will also see 5 year awards, senior awards, as well as merit scholarships for students who are demonstrating leadership, growth, love and support for their peers, and a passion for dance!

Learn more about Recital and associated expenses by [downloading our EXPERIENCE IT HANDBOOK.](#)

# PERFORMANCES

## Summer Extravaganza

In the summer we like to have outdoor fun! So in the last week of our summer dance classes all classes are held at Tumwater Historical Park. Parents and family can come watch mini informal class performances and celebrate the end of summer with their dancer(s) and our dance family!

Games, music, hot dogs, crafts, and treats are all a part of the fun at our Summer Extravaganza! AND this event is totally FREE for all of our members. We look forward to getting to dance, play and have fun with the whole family!



# SPECIAL EVENTS

- **Halloween Hoopla...  
It's spooktacular!**

This free community event is so fun! Trunk r' treat, dance teacher pie in the face, games and more - it's a safe and fun way to enjoy the Halloween season!



- **ORCA movie day, Spark  
Nights, and more!**

We are always keeping it fun here at South Sound Dance. Look out for special bonding and community events for your child to attend throughout the year.





# Birthday Parties

**Come celebrate  
with us!**

Host your birthday party at South Sound Dance and let us celebrate your dancer!

Basic party and themed party packages available for a 1.5 hour party with our trusted and AWESOME team!

Let us do the work for you, [learn more about our birthday parties here.](#)

# Membership



2023-2024

**1 Class**

Base package  
\$72

Includes:

- 1 class/week with our incredible teaching team!
- South Sound Dance dance bag and teaching tools for new members
- Free makeup classes for illness or vacation.
- An incredible and supportive community!

*\*All members must pay a 1 time registration fee of \$50. Discounts for families. Never pay again as long as you remain enrolled.*



**2 Classes**

Save big!  
\$128

Includes:

- 2 classes/week with our incredible teaching team!
- Discounted classes!
- Free SSD Tee for new members
- South Sound Dance dance bag and teaching tools for new members
- Free makeup classes for illness or vacation.
- An incredible and supportive community!



**3 Classes**

Save more!  
\$178

Includes:

- 3 classes/week with our incredible teaching team!
- Discounted classes!
- Free SSD Tee for new members
- EXCLUSIVE SSD glitter backpack or hoodie for new members
- 2 Free Master classes/yr
- Free makeup classes for illness or vacation.
- An incredible and supportive community!



# BECOME A MEMBER

\*\*\*Tuition will be billed automatically on the 1st of every month. To withdraw you must notify us by the 15th of the month prior or your account will be charged.

# Membership & Policies

ONCE A MEMBER, ALWAYS A MEMBER, AS LONG AS YOU REMAIN ENROLLED IN ANY SSD PROGRAM!

- **ALL STUDENTS MUST SIGN AN ONLINE WAIVER BEFORE TAKING ANY CLASS WITH SOUTH SOUND DANCE.**
- **We require that every member keep a credit card or ACH payment method on file.** Automatic payments for balance due will be billed to your payment method on the 1st of every month.
- **Membership is due by the 1st day of every month and is non-refundable.** Payments made after the 1st will be charged a \$25.00 late fee. Students who have a late account will not be allowed into class or to perform until the account is paid in full.
- **Production fees for members are billed semi-annually on October 1 and March 1.** Please see the *Experience It* handout for details. Any members not participating must let the studio know in writing prior to October 1 and March 1 to avoid billing. Tickets are sold separately through the WCPA.
- **Classes run all year.** The studio operates in 3 seasons with breaks in between each - Fall Dance, Spring Dance, Summer Dance. Members remain enrolled in classes, with membership due every month, until they withdraw from a class.
- **If a student is withdrawing from a class the studio must be informed with written notice by the 15th of the month prior to the end of the month** (even if there is a mandated shutdown), otherwise the account will be charged for full tuition the following month. The studio will offer Zoom class options if there is a mandated shutdown so that dancers may continue their classes without interruption.
- **We require that you keep an active email address on file for communication purposes.** If you choose not to, you may not enroll in a class at South Sound Dance as this is how we communicate class updates, cancellations, and other important information that would pertain to your child and we will not be responsible for missed communications.
- **Monthly membership will remain the same** whether it's a short (3-week) or long (5-week) month.
- **There are NO REFUNDS for missed classes.** Makeup classes are available for excused absences with instructor or studio approval.
- **Students are strongly encouraged to attend every class.** Excused absences include illness, birth or death in the family, family wedding, etc. with permission of the studio. If you know your child will not be in class, please call the studio.
- **Any student who is absent from the last week of class before any performance will not be allowed to participate unless they schedule a private lesson in advance to makeup for the missed class.** Students who miss 4 or more classes per semester, may be asked to schedule private lessons in order to perform.
- **Minors under the age of 7 must have a parent or guardian assist them to enter the building** to check the student into class. Parents will not be allowed to remain in the building during class time.
- **Minors must be picked up at class end time.** If any minor is remaining in the building 10 minutes after his or her class without a parent, there will be an additional charge of \$1.00 per minute.
- **In the event of inclement weather, we will follow the Tumwater School District and use our discretion for closures.** Please keep an updated cell number inside the Family Portal so that you receive text notifications in the event of a closure.

# MEMBERSHIP



# Dress Code

DANCERS SHOULD HAVE ATTIRE WITHIN 2-3 WEEKS OF FIRST CLASS

## Hip Hop (all classes)

Clothes students can move freely in, no denim, no skirts

Loose fitting clothing recommended

SSD tee or tank

Required ShopNimbly hip hop sneakers



## SPARK Classes, age 7 - 9

\*Level 1 - light blue leotard

\*Level 2 - mulberry pink leotard

Ballet - pink footed tights and canvas ballet slipper OR skin tone tights & skin tone canvas ballet slipper

Tap - black oxford lace up tap shoe, black shorts or black leggings

Jazz, Musical Theater - tan slip on jazz shoes, black shorts or black leggings

Modern/Contemporary - black shorts or black leggings, dance socks required

Leaps & Turns/Acro - jazz shoes/bare feet, black shorts or black leggings

## IGNITE Classes level 1 - 4, age 10 +

\*Level 1 - burgundy leotard

\*Level 2 - teal leotard

\*Level 3 - navy blue leotard

\*Level 4 - black leotard

Ballet - pink convertible tights and canvas ballet slipper OR skin tone tights & skin tone canvas slipper, no skirts

Tap - black oxford lace up tap shoe, black shorts or black leggings

Jazz, Musical Theater - tan slip on jazz shoes, black shorts or black leggings

Modern/Contemporary - black shorts or black leggings, dance socks required

## ORCA Classes, age 2 - 4

\*All - pink dance dress or leotard

Ballet - pink footed tights and pink leather ballet slipper

Tap - black patent leather tap shoes

## ORCA Classes, age 5-7

\*All - lavender dance dress or leotard

Ballet - pink footed or convertible tights and pink leather ballet slipper

Tap - kinder 1 - black patent leather tap shoes

Tap - kinder 2 - black oxford lace up tap shoes

Jazz - tan slip on jazz shoes, black shorts or black leggings (optional)

## Boys (all classes)

White, Black, or SSD fitted tee or tank

Black dance shorts, joggers, or boys tights

Black ballet shoes, black slip on jazz shoes, black lace up tap shoes, or required ShopNimbly hip hop sneakers (shoes based on classes enrolled in)

**\*\*\*We carry dance dresses and tights inside our studio**

**Boutique or order online!**

Get fitted for shoes at the studio and order yours online at:

[www.shopnimbly.com/southsounddance](http://www.shopnimbly.com/southsounddance)



# DRESS CODE

# CONNECT WITH US

## Find your Zoom room

Watch your child LIVE in the classroom through Zoom!

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Studio A (suites 107 & 109).

Meeting ID 814 7448 4628

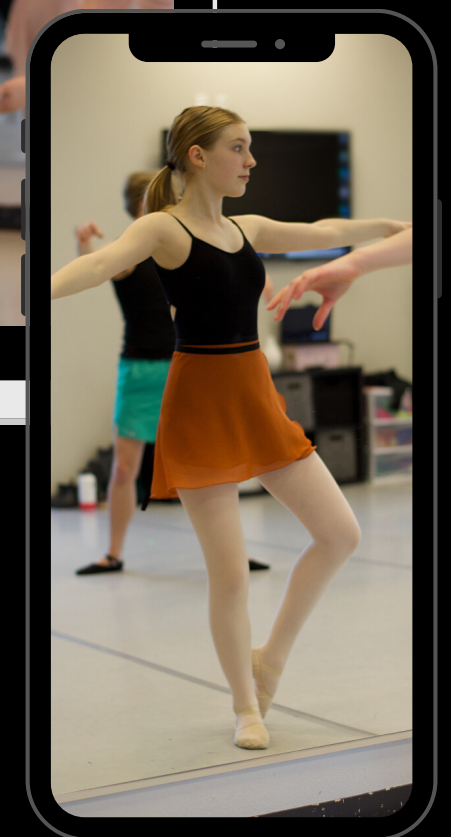
Studio B (suite 111).

Meeting ID 642 927 634

Studio C (across the street, suite 101).

Meeting ID 973 8123 5113

\*Please note if you enter the Zoom room after the start of class you may have to wait for an instructor or team member to let you in to the room. If you have any problems please come see us at the front desk.



# WATCH WEEKS

**Come see what's  
happening at the studio!**

While we know you would love to watch your child in person at the studio, your child grows and learns more without knowing that you are observing. It builds independence and confidence and even allows them to feel they can be more expressive without a parent watching. But here is the good news, you can always watch and hear the class on Zoom AND we have an in person WATCH WEEK every quarter, where you can view all of their progress, ask the teachers questions, and experience the joy of dance!

[CLICK HERE TO DOWNLOAD OUR STUDIO CALENDAR](#)



**CONNECT  
WITH US**

**Join our private Facebook  
group:**

**South Sound Dance Live!**

We want to keep in touch, keep you updated, share events, answer your questions, post photos, and more with our private Facebook group South Sound Dance Live!

Join the community and turn on those notifications!

[Click here to join.](#)



**Thank You For Your  
Attention! We ♥ You!**



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