



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!

CEO/ARTISTIC DIRECTOR

Hannah Taylor



**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.





PROGRAMS

ages 10 - 18

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.





IGNITE APPRENTICE

Learn to lead...

Calling all future teachers! The Ignite Apprentice program is an additional leadership opportunity for dedicated dancers.

In order to enter the program students must: be age 11 & up (be a level 2 student or higher in Ballet, Contemporary, Tap or Jazz, & Have danced with South Sound Dance for a full year prior to entering the program.

These dancers attend trainings throughout the year, assist weekly classes, help at events and birthday parties, and are amazing role models at the studio!

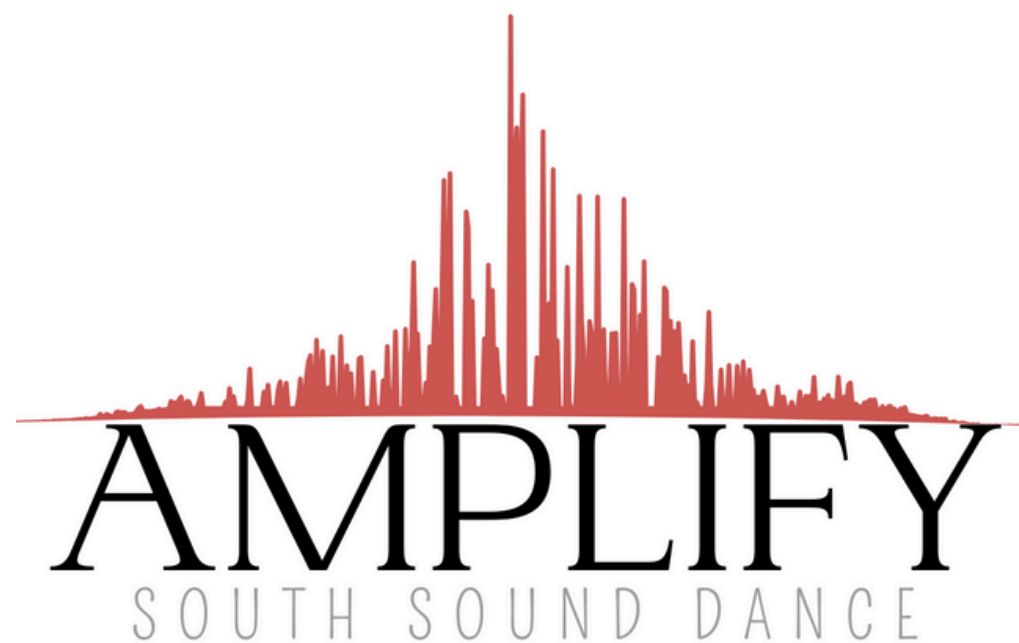
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PROGRAMS ages 11+





**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 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 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! You can even continue to perform as an adult dancer!

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)
- The Nutcracker Show (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!



● Movie Nights, Spa Nights, Tea Parties, 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.



Membership

2025 - 2026



2 Class
SSD MEMBER
\$138/mo

3 Classes
JOY MEMBER!
\$192/mo

6+ Classes
UNLIMITED!
\$375/mo

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

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- 3 classes/week with our incredible teaching team!
 - Discounted classes!
 - Free SSD Tee for new members
 - EXCLUSIVE SSD glitter backpack for new members
 - 2 Free SSD Team Master classes
 - Free makeup classes for illness or vacation.
 - Free Summer Extravaganza
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Educate, Enrich,
Inspire!

BECOME A MEMBER

****All members must pay a 1 time membership fee of \$50. Never pay again as long as you remain enrolled. Membership tuition will be billed automatically on the 1st of every month. Membership is on-going and does not end with a dance season. 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 any 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 with a late account will not be allowed to take 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 notify the studio in writing prior to October 1 and March 1 to avoid billing.**
- **Classes run all year.** The studio operates in 3 seasons, with breaks in between each: Fall Dance, Spring Dance, and 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 in the event of a mandated shutdown). Otherwise, the account will be charged full tuition for 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 and phone number 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. **We are not responsible for missed communications.**
- **Monthly membership remains 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 . Students are strongly encouraged to attend every class.
- Excused absences include illness, a birth or death in the family, family weddings, and similar events. **If your child will miss class, please notify us by phone, email, or by reporting the absence in your Member Portal.** Attendance expectations for competitive program dancers may differ and are set at the discretion of program directors.
- Dancers in these programs may be expected to observe class if participation is not possible due to injury or illness.
- Any student who is absent during the final week of class before a performance **may not be allowed to participate** unless they schedule a private lesson in advance to make up for the missed class. Students who miss 4 or more classes per semester may also be required to schedule private lessons in order to perform.
- All students must follow our studio dress code for safety and consistency.
- Children under 7 must have a parent or guardian assist them in entering the building and their class. **Parents are not allowed to remain in classrooms or the studio lobby.**
- **Minors must be picked up at the scheduled class end time.** If a minor remains in the building more than 10 minutes after class without a parent, there will be an additional charge of **\$1.00 per minute.** Students may wait at the studio between classes **with prior permission from our team.**
- In the event of inclement weather or public safety concerns, we will follow the Tumwater School District and/or use our discretion for closures. **Closures will be communicated via text.**
- All students are required to follow our dress code for safety, consistency, and studio pride.
- We expect all dancers and families to uphold a culture of respect both in and out of class. **Harassment, bullying, or discrimination of any kind will not be tolerated and may result in dismissal.**

MEMBERSHIP

ORCA Dress Code

ALL DANCERS ARE REQUIRED TO WEAR AN SSD-BRANDED LEOTARD/SHIRT,
AVAILABLE IN OUR STUDIO BOUTIQUE. SHOES SHOULD BE PURCHASED FROM SHOPNIMBLY



DRESS CODE

LEOTARD COLORS:

ORCA 1 (AGES 1.5 - 4) - LIGHT PINK

ORCA 1 (AGES 4.5-6) - LAVENDER

ORCA 2 (AGES 5-7) - PLUM

BOYS (ALL AGES/STYLES):

BLACK SSD ATHLETIC SHIRT

BLACK ATHLETIC PANTS/SHORTS

BOTTOMS/SHOES BY STYLE:

BALLET

- PINK TIGHTS
- PINK LEATHER BALLET SHOE

CONTEMPORARY

- BLACK PANTS OR CONVERTIBLE TIGHTS
- BARE FEET

JAZZ

- BLACK PANTS OR SHORTS,
- SKIN TONE JAZZ SHOES (AGE 5-7)

ACRO

- BLACK PANTS/SHORTS OR CONVERTIBLE TIGHTS
- BARE FEET

TAP

- BLACK PANTS OR SHORTS
- LEVEL 1 - BLACK PATENT LEATHER TAP SHOE
- LEVEL 2 - BLACK OXFORD LACE UP TAP SHOES

HIP HOP

- BLACK PANTS/SHORTS
- SHOP NIMBLY BLACK HIP HOP SNEAKER (AGE 5+)

PERFORMANCE:

BY ORCA 2 DANCERS MUST HAVE A SKIN TONE LEOTARD TO WEAR UNDER COSTUMES.

SPARK/IGNITE Dress Code

ALL DANCERS ARE REQUIRED TO WEAR AN SSD-BRANDED LEOTARD/SHIRT,
AVAILABLE IN OUR STUDIO BOUTIQUE. SHOES SHOULD BE PURCHASED FROM SHOPNIMBLY

LEOTARD COLORS:

SPARK 1 - MARINE BLUE
SPARK 2 - MULBERRY
SPARK 3 - RED

IGNITE 1 - BURGUNDY
IGNITE 2 - TEAL
IGNITE 3 - NAVY
IGNITE 4 - BLACK

BOTTOMS/SHOES BY STYLE:

BALLET - PINK/SKIN TONE TIGHTS, MATCHING CANVAS BALLET SHOES
POINTE READINESS WILL BE EVALUATED BY INSTRUCTOR

JAZZ - BLACK PANTS/SHORTS, SKIN TONE JAZZ SHOES
IGNITE 3 - SKIN TONE JAZZ SHOES & TAN HEELS
IGNITE 4 - SKIN TONE JAZZ SHOES, TAN HEELS & BLACK HEELS

TAP - BLACK PANTS/SHORTS, BLACK OXFORD LACE UP TAP SHOES

CONTEMPORARY/MODERN - BLACK PANTS/SHORTS OR CONVERTIBLE TIGHTS, BARE FEET
IGNITE 2, 3 & 4 - BLACK FOOTLESS TIGHTS (worn over leotard)

ACRO - BLACK PANTS/SHORTS, BARE FEET

HIP HOP - BAGGY CLOTHES BLACK PANTS/SHORTS, BLACK SSD TOP, SHOP NIMBLY BLACK HIP HOP SNEAKER
IGNITE 2, 3 & 4 - WHITE LOW TOP SNEAKER
BREAKING - SAME AS ABOVE, PLUS SSD BEANIE, KNEE PADS

BOYS (ALL AGES/STYLES):

BLACK ATHLETIC SHIRT (SSD BRANDED)
BLACK ATHLETIC PANTS/SHORTS

BALLET -

IGNITE 2, 3 & 4 -
DANCE BELT & BLACK MENS BALLET TIGHTS

PERFORMANCE:

BY SPARK 2 DANCERS MUST HAVE A SKIN TONE
LEOTARD TO WEAR UNDER COSTUMES.



DRESS CODE

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.

CONNECT WITH US



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 or event every quarter, where you can view all of their progress, ask the teachers questions, and experience the joy of dance!



**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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