

Pre-School Dance Program

At The Dance Studio, we offer classes to children as young as eighteen months. The first classes in our Pre-School Program are Toddler Tots & Tiny Tots. These classes are 30 minutes long and are combination classes offering both Tap and Ballet.

The Pre-School Dance Program is designed to introduce young children to the joy of dance and movement to music. The Pre-School classes will offer children beginner dance steps, basic music and rhythms, and will include some singing.

The Advanced Tiny Tot & Pre-Exam Combination Program is for students ages 4-6, and is offered as an introduction to preparing students for exams and competition. These combination classes are 1 hour in length and are comprised of Ballet, Tap, Jazz and an introduction to Highland. Students in Pre-Exam Combo will also be in Preliminary Ballet and will be learning the fundamentals of our main dance styles.

Students in the Pre-School Program will perform in the annual recital at the end of the year, but do not participate in competition.

Ballet – C.D.T.A. and R.A.D.

C.D.T.A. Ballet classes are offered from Preliminary to Advanced levels with examinations available to all students.

R.A.D. Ballet classes are offered from Intermediate Foundation to Advanced II levels with examinations available to all students.

Students who have completed the Advanced levels in either one or both syllabi will then have the opportunity to study for their Associate and Licentiate Teacher Certification through TDS.

“Ballet is the foundation of dance and is required for all TDS students to assist in their growth and training in all disciplines of dance offered”

All Ballet groups attend spring dance competitions as well as performing in the year-end recital.

Tap & Jazz – A.D.A.P.T. and C.D.T.A.

A.D.A.P.T. Tap & Jazz classes are offered from Pre-Junior to Intermediate 3 levels with examinations available to all students

C.D.T.A. Tap & Jazz classes are offered from Preliminary to Advanced levels with examinations available to all students

Students who have completed the Advanced level (C.D.T.A.) and/or the Intermediate 3 level (A.D.A.P.T.) in Tap and/or Jazz will then have the opportunity to study for their Associate and Licentiate Teacher Certification through TDS

All Tap & Jazz groups attend spring dance competitions as well as performing in the year-end recital

Highland – S.D.T.A.

S.D.T.A. Highland classes are offered from Preparatory to Scottish Award VI levels with examinations available to all students

Students who have completed the Advanced level (C.D.T.A.) and/or the Intermediate 3 level (A.D.A.P.T.) in Tap and/or Jazz will then have the opportunity to study for their Associate and Licentiate Teacher Certification through TDS

All Highland groups attend spring dance competitions as well as performing in the year-end recital

Acro Dance – Acrobatic Arts

Acro classes are offered following the syllabus of Acrobatic Arts to all students in Pre-Exam Combo and up

Acro dance is a blending of dance and acrobatic (gymnastic) elements. Acro dancers need to be strong in their Classical and Jazz technique to seamlessly link the dance elements and gymnastic elements of a routine.

Selected Acro groups will attend spring dance competitions as well as performing in the year-end recital

Lyrical & Musical Theatre

Lyrical Dance is a blending of Ballet and Jazz technique while the dancers interpret and communicate the lyrics of a song. Lyrical should portray a wide range of emotions and be supported by strong, classical technique

Lyrical will only be offered to students in Grade 3 Ballet & up who are also taking Jazz, as technique and maturity must be strongly established before Lyrical dance quality can be developed

Musical Theatre is a combination of dancing, singing and acting. Musical Theatre is taken from the original triple-threat celebrities who could all sing, dance and act. This class pulls out the performer in each dancer

All Lyrical and Musical Theatre groups will attend spring dance competitions as well as performing in the year-end recital

Adult Program

Adult classes are open to anyone age 19 + over (who is not already enrolled in a competitive class)

The adult class will run during the course of the regular dance season and we will cover Ballet, Highland and Tap throughout the year

The Adult class does not participate in spring competitions or the year-end recital