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Join us to move, explore, grow, and connect.

The Dance Foundation is a non-profit organization with the mission to teach the art of dance to all, inspiring creativity, curiosity, and confidence.

Our Studio Program offers student-centered, non-competitive classes for ages one to adult. A schedule of our September 2024 to May 2025 classes is inside this brochure.

We also dance with 1,000+ students more through our Community In Motion Program. Our teams of dance teachers and musicians travel to dozens of preschools and community organizations each week. Our curriculum "Dancing With Words" and "Math In Motion" allow us to connect with students in elementary schools exploring academics through movement.

The Dance Foundation has been a gathering place for learning with and through dance for almost 50 years. Our four studios and 100-seat theatre in downtown Homewood are "home" to dance artists and organizations in Birmingham who need professional space for classes, rehearsals, and performances.

You're invited to be part of our family, and help us further the belief that dance is for all. Donations to The Dance Foundation help provide programs that inspire personal growth, artistic exploration, professional success, physical wellness, and community connection. Our community – students, parents, contributors, volunteers, artists -- keep our mission in motion. We invite you to learn more...



**EVERY
BODY
DANCE**



Our teaching approach and curriculum engage the imagination and nurture creativity. Our students gain a strong technical foundation in dance as well as the confidence and self-discipline necessary for learning the art of dance. Live music is an essential component to classes for young children to develop the students' musicality and to allow for spontaneity and creative freedom. Our state-of-the-art facility is located in downtown Homewood and includes five studios, each with sprung floors and two-way glass observation areas. Satellite classes are also offered at several schools for the students enrolled at that school; visit our website for a list. Students participate in a performance in May.

VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR:

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Season at a glance

- Sept 1 First month tuition installment due
- Sept 3 First day of classes
- Sept 9 Fall Ensemble Auditions
- Sept 3-Oct 14 Session #1 short-term classes
- Oct 4-18 Bargain Costume Closet SALE
- Oct 26-31 Dancers may wear a costume to class
- Oct 21-Dec 6 Session #2 short-term classes
- Nov 15 1st half spring performance fee due
- Nov 15-16 FREEFORM performances
- Nov 25-Dec 1 Thanksgiving Break/no classes
- Dec 23-Jan 5 Winter Break/no classes
- Jan 6-Feb 14 Session #3 short-term classes
- Jan 13 Spring Ensemble Auditions
- Jan 24-26 Alabama Dance Festival
- Feb 15 2nd half performance fee due
- Feb 17-April 4 Session #4 short-term classes
- Mar 24-30 Spring Break/no classes
- April 7-May 16 Session #5 short-term classes
- April 25 3rd-12th grade studio rehearsal
- May 1 3rd-12th grade dress rehearsal
- May 3 3rd-12th grade spring performance
- May 3-4 3yr-2nd grade spring performances
- May 5-10 2 & 2^{1/2} year old spring performances
- May 5-10 Last week of classes





MOVING TOGETHER / 1 - 2 years

This class is a wonderful way to introduce your little one to dance and music. Toddler and adult participate together, sharing movement and music activities designed to nurture your little one's physical and mental development. The class is led by a creative team of dance teacher and musician and features live piano accompaniment. The class is offered in short-term sessions of six weeks each (see calendar on reverse side). Students must be the class age by the start of the session.

1 YEAR OLDS
Tues 9:15-10:00

2 YEAR OLDS
Tues 11:05-11:50

MOVEMENT-TO-MUSIC / 2 - 4 years

This special dance class is designed for your imaginative and energetic child! Our Movement-to-Music classes channel your child's creativity by exploring dance through fun stories, songs, and colorful props. Classes provide an excellent foundation in essential dance skills like coordination, balance, strength, and rhythm in an age and developmentally appropriate way. Classes are taught with care and enthusiasm by a professional dance artist featuring live piano accompaniment. Students must meet the class age by September 1, 2024.

2 YEAR OLDS
Tues 10:10-10:55
Sat 9:15-10:00

3 YEAR OLDS
Tues 10:10-10:55
Tues 3:45-4:30

4 YEAR OLDS
Mon 1:30-2:15
Mon 4:35-5:20

5-10 YEAR OLDS
with disabilities*
Thurs 5:30-6:15

2 1/2 YEAR OLDS
Mon 3:45-4:30
Tues 9:15-10:00
Wed 9:15-10:00
Sat 10:10-10:55

Wed 5:25-6:10
Wed 10:10-10:55
Wed 4:35-5:20
Thurs 10:10-10:55
Thurs 4:35-5:20
Sat 9:15-10:00
Sat 10:10-10:55

Mon 5:25-6:10
Tues 11:05-11:50
Tues 4:35-5:20
Wed 3:45-4:30
Wed 5:25-6:10
Thurs 11:05-11:50
Thurs 3:45-4:30
Sat 11:05-11:50

**This class is offered in short-term sessions of six weeks each (see calendar on reverse side).*



YOUNG DANCER PROGRAM / K - 2nd grades

The Young Dancer Program focuses on proper posture, alignment, strength, and flexibility. Classes provide opportunities for self-expression and creativity within the art form. At the K and 1st level, dancers can choose between Ballet and Creative Dance classes with an option to add on a Tap class. K and 1st grade Tap classes require enrollment in Ballet or Creative Dance on the same day. At the 2nd grade level, students can take one or more of the following: Modern dance, Ballet, Tap.

KINDERGARTEN
Ballet Mon 3:45-4:30
Tap Tues 4:35-5:05
Ballet Tues 5:10-5:55
Ballet Wed 4:00-4:45
Tap Wed 4:50-5:20
Ballet Sat 12:00-12:45

KINDERGARTEN & FIRST GRADE
Creative Dance Mon 4:00-4:45
Creative Dance Thurs 3:45-4:30
Creative Dance Thurs 4:35-5:20
Tap Thurs 5:25-5:55

FIRST GRADE
Ballet Mon 4:35-5:20
Tap Mon 5:25-5:55
Ballet Tues 3:45-4:30
Tap Wed 5:25-5:55
Ballet Wed 6:00-6:45
Ballet Thurs 4:00-4:45
Ballet Sat 12:00-12:45

SECOND GRADE
Ballet Mon 3:45-4:45
Modern Mon 4:50-5:50
Tap Tues 3:45-4:30
Ballet Tues 4:35-5:35
Ballet Thurs 3:45-4:45

DANCE ARTIST PROGRAM (DAP) / 3rd - 12th grades

In the Dance Artist Program, strong technique and artistry are achieved through focused and committed study over the students' 3rd through 12th grade years. The program is designed to foster physical, cognitive, social, and creative aspects of learning. Each student is assigned a level placement for each dance style. New students are welcome and should contact the Program Director for level placement. Visit our website for class descriptions.

LEVEL I

Level I classes are open to students in 3rd-12th grades. No prior experience is required. Ballet IB and Modern IB require enrollment in both classes. Musical Theatre requires enrollment in two or all of the following: Ballet, Modern, Tap.

Ballet I Wed 6:00-7:00
Ballet I Thurs 4:50-5:50
Modern I Thurs 3:45-4:45
Ballet IB **and** Modern IB Mon 3:45-4:45, 4:50-5:50
Musical Theatre Wed 4:50-5:50
Tap I Wed 3:50-4:45
Hip Hop I Tues 6:10-7:10
Ballet/Modern, Adaptive Learning Mon 6:00-7:00

LEVEL II

Level II Ballet and Modern classes require enrollment in both classes on the same day. Prep for Pointe requires enrollment in Ballet IIBC. Ballet IIBC requires enrollment in Ballet IIB or Ballet IIC. Tap and Hip Hop classes may be taken without enrollment in additional classes.

Ballet IIA **and** Modern IIA Mon 5:55-6:55, 7:00-8:00
Ballet IIA **and** Modern IIA Tues 4:00-5:00, 5:05-6:05
Ballet IIB **and** Modern IIB Tues 4:00-5:00, 5:05-6:05
Ballet IIC **and** Modern IIC Tues 5:40-6:40, 6:45-7:45
Ballet IIBC (optional 2nd class) Thurs 6:00-7:00
Prep for Pointe Thurs 7:00-7:45
Jazz IIBC Thurs 4:50-5:50
Tap II Wed 3:50-4:45
Hip Hop II Wed 4:50-5:50

LEVEL III and IV

Level III and IV students must enroll in a minimum of three technique classes* (Level II classes may also be considered as options). Ballet IV Repertory, Prep for Pointe, and Pointe require Ballet III or IV. *Tap and Hip Hop classes may be taken without enrollment in additional classes.

Ballet III Mon 4:50-6:05 **and** Thurs 6:00-7:00
Prep for Pointe Thurs 7:00-7:45
Modern III Mon 6:10-7:20
Jazz III Wed 7:10-8:20
Tap III Wed 6:05-7:05
Hip Hop III Thurs 4:50-5:50
Ballet IV Tues 6:10-7:40 **and** Thurs 6:00-7:00
Ballet IV Repertory Tues 7:40-8:20
Pointe Thurs 7:00-7:45
Modern IV Mon 6:00-7:15
Jazz IV Wed 5:55-7:05
Tap IV Wed 7:10-8:10
Ballet III/IV (optional 3rd class) Wed 4:50-5:50
Ensemble (by audition) Mon 7:20-8:20



ADULTS / age 18+

Classes are offered in short-term sessions of six weeks each. See calendar on reverse side. Visit our website for current class offerings.