

CLASS DESCRIPTIONS

ADULT CLASSES

Dance Body Fitness:

This class is a high energy hit dance class. Filled with simplified movements for all levels. This class will get your body pumpin' to some good music and some fun moves. Each class will begin with an easy dance combo following more cardio exercises and ending with stretches. This will be a fun way to get movin' and get groovin'!

Photography:

Taught by Patrick Bates, Master Photographer, Craftsman, CPP
For this class, students will need a basic knowledge of photography.
You will need a digital camera with manual functions. The class will "focus" on photography techniques and styles, functions of your camera, composition, depth of field, exposure, and light. The class will help you to understand your equipment and how to create an art quality image.

THEATRE CLASSES

THEATRE PRODUCTION CLASS:

Theatre production will encompass all aspects of producing a play, from the front of house, poster, and advertisement to striking the set after the last performance. We are going to produce "A Cajun Christmas Carol". We will write, direct, design the set, lights, and costumes and perform. Every student will work on every part of the production. We want to instill the idea that there are no small parts in the theatre. Every aspect is important. Production dates will run with the showcase.

We are so excited about this new class! Directed by Barbie Vallot and Kendel Smith, the class will produce an Original Production of a Christmas Carol to be performed as a main stage production at the end of the semester!

This will be an "all-inclusive" event. Each performance class at Swamplight Theatre will have a cameo role in the show! Production Dates will be Dec 13, 14, 15, 19, 20, 21, and 22.

Advanced Acting:

In Advanced Acting we will be studying advanced acting techniques practiced by professional actors around the world! We will cover researching for monologues, character study and development, auditioning techniques and so much more!

Children's Theatre:

This is the basic class to the theatre. Each kid will open up their creativity from scenes and improv games. They will learn and create their own scenes and characters. Each student will learn how to feel comfortable talking and moving on stage. This class will allow each student to be themselves and have fun.

MUSIC CLASSES

Sing and Strings:

In this class, we will learn how to play our instruments preferably a guitar or ukulele. As well as learning how to create, write and sing a song while playing your instrument. By the end of the semester, the kids will have learned the basic structure of writing a song, chords, and strum patterns, and how to play and sing at the same time.

Show Choir:

Swamplight Show Choir is a performing choral group. This group sings with movement to pieces of a specific idea or story!

Children's Choir:

Children's choir is a group lesson meant for children ages 5-7. In this choir, students will have the opportunity to explore their vocal abilities by singing unison (one part) within a group, having small solos, playing small instruments with songs, and performing basic choreography to songs. Students will be taught to read song lyrics and how to follow sheet music. Children are expected to be able to sing within a group setting but do not have to sing as a soloist. Members will also be expected to practice their choir music with parents between rehearsals/lessons with materials given at the beginning of the semester.

Choir:

Show choir prerequisite is a group lesson meant for children ages 8-12. In this choir, students will have the opportunity to explore their vocal abilities by singing in 2 parts within a group, having small solos, playing small instruments with songs, and performing basic choreography to songs. Students will be taught to read song lyrics and how to follow sheet music. Children are expected to be able to sing within a group setting but do not have to sing as a soloist. Members will also be expected to practice their choir music with parents between rehearsals/lessons with materials given at the beginning of the semester.

COMBINATION CLASSES

Children's Musical Theatre:

This class is a simple step into the basis of singing, acting, and dancing. They will learn the history, movements, character work and vocals of different musicals throughout our history. They will learn different songs, choreography, and acting techniques to incorporate into their performances. Each student will need closed-toed shoes or jazz shoes. They will also showcase their Musical Theatre mashup at the end of the semester/year showcase.

Teen Musical Theatre:

This class is a more advanced outlook based on Musical Theatre. We will learn certain dynamics of singing, acting and dancing while learning the history of different musicals. We will touch on different songs, terminology, choreography, acting techniques, and theatre etiquette. Each student will need closed-toed shoes or jazz shoes. They will also showcase their Musical Theatre mashup at the end of the semester/year showcase.

DANCE CLASSES

Lyrical and Jazz:

In Lyrical and Jazz, we will be learning dance techniques practiced in both genres, starting with the basics and moving our way up to more challenging movements. We will practice leaps and turns, weekly combinations and have tons of fun in the process!

Mixed Hip Hop:

This is a hip hop class filled with all age groups building on the basics of movement. They will learn different choreography to up-tempo hip hop songs. As well as learning how to own the rhythm, groove, and dancing with confidence. Each student will need to come to each class in comfortable closed-toed shoes.

Boys Hip Hop:

This is a fun high energy class that focuses on street jazz, simple hip hop with some dance style. The class incorporates dynamic movements that can be sharp or preformed smooth and is set to hip hop music. Each boy will need tennis shoes and they will showcase their hip hop dance that will be performed at the end of the semester/year showcase.

Level B Ballet & Tap:

This is a combo dance class of ballet and tap. The dancers will continue barre work with a greater emphasis on vocabulary. Center work is introduced with a continued focus on the position of the arms, legs, and feet using, classical ballet vocabulary. The dancers will learn how to create a combination of different rhythms, sounds, and vocabulary using their tap shoes. Dancers will build upon what was learned in Level A and will teach increased coordination. Dancers will learn how to use more sharp movements with a faster tempo and foundation for leaps and turns. We will combine more stretching and strengthening with basic jazz skills and prepares the dancer for more advanced classes. They will need ballet and tap shoes and they will perform a ballet and tap dance at the end of the semester/year showcase.

Level A Ballet & Tap:

This class is designed to develop body awareness, rhythm, flexibility, coordination, and confidence. We will assist dancers in practice the proper execution of dance steps while learning how to follow directions and imitate movement. They will need ballet and tap shoes and they will perform a ballet and tap dance at the end of the semester/year showcase.

Pre-Ballet, Creative Movement & Tap:

This class is designed to provide young dancers an introduction into the fundamentals of dance. Our little dancers will learn ballet/tap basics, musicality through movement songs, and tumbling. They will need ballet and tap shoes and they will perform a ballet and tap dance at the end of the semester/year showcase. This is a baby and me class that transitions to a structured dancer only classroom over several weeks.