INFORMATION & GUIDELINES



2024

BEGINNING TAP LESSONS INFORMATION

- Beginner classes are 1 hour long starting at 1:15 p.m. on Tuesdays, at Dance Images West, 6515 W Clearwater Ave. Suite #230, Kennewick, WA 99336.
- When attending the first class, prospective students should come 15 minutes early to fill out paperwork and find a pair of tap shoes that fit. We loan tap shoes to beginning students from our supply of used shoes. Students are welcome to use these shoes for practice until they decide to buy their own. Shoes can be purchased online with prices starting around \$45. Some popular sites are: <u>dancewaresolutions.com</u>; <u>discountdance.com</u>; <u>capezio.com</u>; and <u>dancewarecorner.com</u>.
- Wear light comfortable clothing that you can move in your choice. *Preferred dress is support dance tights and a skort. See your teacher for information on dance supplies.*
- Please remember to be on time for class. Each class begins with stimulating upper-body warm-up exercises. Footwork exercises at the barre follow. The purpose of these is to gain strength in the legs and feet while improving the quality of tap sounds. After the barre, we practice across-the-floor tap step combinations followed by dance routines.
- Bring a bottle of water to stay well hydrated. Tap dancing is an aerobic activity!
- NO gum chewing allowed. Please do not wear cologne or heavy smelling lotion.
- Besides learning how to tap dance, the goals are: HAVE FUN; enhance your overall fitness level; improve posture; improve balance; and make new friends.
- An instructional DVD is available for beginning students with the choreography, dance steps and techniques that you will be practicing in class. Also available is a 3-speed CD with the music for your first piece of choreography. The DVD and CD are both excellent aids for practicing at home. *Contact your teacher for more information.*
- Why not bring a friend and have fun together. Remember the first class is always FREE!

Schedule & Fees

BEGINNING TAP SCHEDULE & FEES

Time is 1:15 to 2:15 p.m. on Tuesdays. As an introduction to tap dancing, the first class is FREE. After that, individual classes are \$15 each. You can choose to pay monthly to take advantage of a discounted rate of only \$13 a class by paying the full amount in advance at the beginning of the month. The discounted rate is \$52 for a 4-week month and \$65 for a 5-week month.

ALL PAYMENTS BY CHECK OR CASH

Payments in full must be made in advance at the beginning of the month to take advantage of the discounted rate. Payment for single classes must be made in advance of the class. *Make checks out to Carolyn Ammann and insure the check has the correct date and the name spelled correctly.*

SIGN-IN SHEET IS PROVIDED

When you come to class, there is a sign-in sheet at the front door to record your attendance and payment. Please sign your name and write the amount paid, indicating if the payment is by cash or check.

NO REFUNDS

If you pay the discounted monthly rate, there are no refunds for missing a class. If you know in advance that you will miss a class, pay by the daily rate.

PRIVATE CLASSES

Private classes are \$40 for 1/2 hour. Check with your teacher to see if there is an available time. You can also split the cost of the session with another dance student.

OTHER CLASSES OFFERED

A variety of classes are offered for students with prior experience. Advanced beginner classes are held on Friday, 1:15 to 2:15 p.m. Combined advanced and intermediate level tap classes are held on Tuesdays and Fridays, 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. There is a 1/2 hour class on Tuesdays at 11:00 a.m. where instruction in advanced dance routines is offered. All of these classes are \$15 each.

If you are interested in joining any of the above classes, ask your teacher for more information. She can help you find the class that is right for you.





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