# Dancescape by Joyce on Broadway Studio Handbook



# DBJ 2025-2026 Dance Year

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Dancescape by Joyce on Broadway is a school for the arts. We offer group instruction in the dance arts: **ballet**, **pointe**, **tap**, **jazz**, **lyrical**, **modern**, **contemporary**, **musical theater dance**, **hip hop and acro for dancers.** We also offer group lessons in **martial arts** for 6-year-olds through adults.

Joyce Beck established Dancescape by Joyce in 1993 at 2014 East Broadway in Pearland. Previously the school was known as Joyce's Academy of Dance and was located in Friendswood, Texas, from 1984 through 1993. Many young dancers have come through Dancescape by Joyce and gone on to pursue careers in dance, as well as college degrees in dance and dance education. Ms Joyce has students who have won awards, trophies, and invitations to participate in the Grand National finals of nationally recognized dance competitions. Dancers who have trained at Dancescape have been accepted to major dance companies and are now performing. All of the dancers who train at Dancescape gain poise and self-confidence that will help them to be successful in all their future endeavors. Ms Joyce is a member of Dance Masters of America. After 40 years with South Texas Association of Dance Teachers, Inc. Ms Joyce and her faculty transferred our membership to Texas Dance Master Inc./ Chapter #48. Miss Teen Dance of Texas 2014, Miss Dance of Texas 2015, Mr. Teen Dance of Texas 2016, Miss Dance of Texas 2017, Jr Miss Dance of Texas 2018, Mr. Dance of Texas 2018, **Dance Masters of America's Mr. Dance of America 2019**, Miss Dance of Texas 2019, Teen Miss Dance of Texas 2020, Teen Miss Dance of Texas 2023, Teen Miss Dance of TXDM 2024 and Mr Dance of TXDM 2024, Miss Dance of TXDM 2025 (4<sup>th</sup> runner up to Miss Dance of America 2026) are students from Dancescape by Joyce.

At Dancescape by Joyce, we have quality instructors and believe that every child should be challenged and encouraged to achieve his/her goals. We have a ballet-based studio with emphasis on classical ballet and positive reinforcement. We want our dancers to have fun while learning in a structured, nurturing and culturally diverse environment.

Dancescape will have two performance opportunities a year for our dancers. These will be in December and June of each year. These are wonderful experiences for your children to perform for you and learn what it is like to be put in the spotlight. These opportunities will help to give them skills that they will use throughout their lives in school, college, and their careers.

# IMPORTANT DATES: Dancescape by Joyce

August 4, 2025 – First day of classes

September 1, 2025 – Closed for Labor Day (This is the only Monday holiday DBJ takes.)

September 13, 2025 - Audition Day for Anastasia & Dimitri 3:00p.m. ..... until (Any dancer wanting an extra role or a feature dance must attend the audition.)

TXDM Convention - November 7, 8, & 9, 2025 - Eminence Dance Complex- Roanoke, TX

NYCDA convention & competition- November 14, 15, 16, 2025 / Galveston / Moody Gardens

November 24-30, 2025 ... Closed .....Thanksgiving holiday week.

November 30, 2025 (Sunday) – 6:00p.m. – Headshots for TXDM title contestants

Holiday Open House Week .... Saturday Dec. 13<sup>th</sup> – Friday Dec. 19<sup>th</sup> 2025

Come to class with your dancer, observe warm-up and a holiday routine, visit with your classmates and instructors.

December 20, 2025 (Saturday) 5:30p.m. Competition Dancer Showcase / Silambam

December 21, 2025 through January 4, 2026 ....Closed ... Winter break.

January 5, 2026 .....First day back 2026!

## **DBJ Competitive Dance Artists:**

January – Mock Competition / Broadway studio / No charge – January 17, 2026 3:00p.m.

**Jump Dance Convention JAN 23 – 25, 2026 HOUSTON, TX** \**Must attend workshop to compete.* 

Masquerade Dance -- Stafford PAC - February 6, 7, & 8, 2026 - Stafford PAC

TXDM Title / PAC – February 13, 14, 15, 2026 / Roanoke & Denton High School

Star Systems Dance Competition - February 27, 28 & March 1, 2026 - Stafford PAC

March 9-14, 2026....closed - Spring Break

Starbound National Talent Competition – March 20, 21, 22, 2026 – Stafford PAC

April 20-25, 2026- Costumes will be distributed during classes.

April 26, 2026-Pas photos and competition dancer photos will be taken.

April 27- May 2, 2026 Class photos will be taken at the studio.

May 4, 2026 - Cast Photo shoot day!

June 20, 2026 - Anastasia and Dimitri - Stafford PAC

# Dancescape by Joyce on Broadway

2025-2026 Dance Year

#### June 20, 2026 Performance – Anastasia & Dimitri - Stafford PAC

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Registration fee-\$30 per family Tuition Fees monthly:

3-4 combo class - \$75 (1 hr. per wk) 5-7 combo class- \$85 (1 1/4 hrs. per wk) Single subject 45 minutes per week classes- \$70 Single subject 1 hr. per week classes -\$75 Single subject 1 ¼ Hrs. per week classes- \$85

Additional single subject classes after 1st class...1hr-\$40 each per month 1 1/4 hr-\$45 ea. per month 1 1/4 hr-\$50 ea. per month

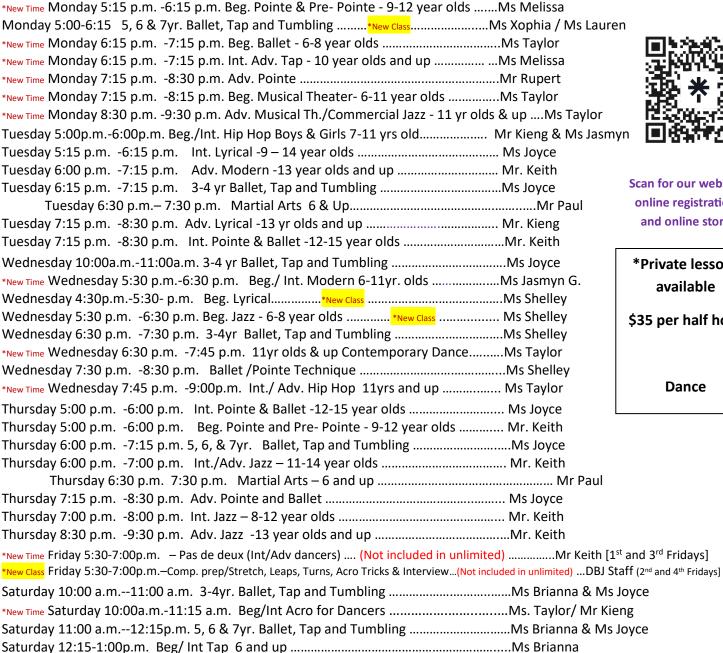
Unlimited classes-Level 1 - 5+ 1-Hr Classes-\$215

Level 2 - 1-11/4 hr & 4+1 hr.classes \$225

Level 3 – 2 1 1/4 hr & 3+1 hr classes \$235

Level 4 3/4 1 1/4 hr & 2+ I hr classes \$245

\*Friday Classes - \$35 per month for Pas only / \$35 per month for Comp Prep only / \$50 per month both \*If enrolled in other classes. Family Discounts: \$20 off tuition of each additional child in a family.





\$10 rebate on

tuition if paid before the 10th

Scan for our website, online registration, and online store.

\*Private lessons available

\$35 per half hour

## **TUITION**

Tuition for dance and martial arts is based on our eleven-month dance year and is the same amount each month regardless of the number of classes per month. You may pay annually, semi-annually, or monthly. We do not bill for monthly payments. If you pay by the 10<sup>th</sup> of the month, you get a \$10.00 rebate which you take when making your payment. **Payments can be made by cash, check and card.** \* There is an automatic 4% fee added to payments made by card.

If you have your bank mail us payments please address them to: Dancescape by Joyce 2014 Broadway Pearland, Texas 77581

# <u>Tuition is due each month regardless of attendance. A two-week notice of withdrawal is required to stop tuition charges.</u>

RE-ENROLLMENT: When a student drops out of classes without officially withdrawing and stopping tuition, a re-enrollment fee will be charged. A fee of 75% unpaid tuition will be charged to students who re-enroll during the current year.

# There will be a \$25.00 fee charged for returned checks and a \$5.00 fee charged for checks returned to the bank for a second time.

All students must be registered with the studio. We are not set up for drop-in and pay-by-the-lesson students.

Registration fee.....\$30.00 per family
Tuition fees are as follows:

3-4-year-old combo class – 1 hour per week——— \$75.00 per month

5-7-year-old combo class – 1 hour 15 minutes per week——\$85.00 per month

Single-subject classes (ballet, tap, jazz, lyrical, modern, hip hop, musical theater, martial arts)

- 45 minutes per week \$70.00 per month
- 1 hour per week \$75.00 per month
- 1 hour 15 minutes per week \$85.00 per month

Additional 1-hour single classes after 1st subject—\$40.00 per month each

Additional 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-hour single classes after 1<sup>st</sup> subject—\$45.00 per month each

Additional 1½-hour single classes after 1st subject—\$50.00 per month each

\*Friday Classes - \$35 per month for Pas only / \$35 per month for Comp Prep only / \$50 per month both \*If enrolled in other classes. Unlimited classes (monthly):

- Level 1—5+ 1-hour classes—\$215
- Level 2—1 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-hour and 4+ 1-hour classes—\$225
- Level 3—2 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-hour and 3+ 1-hour classes—\$235
- Level 4—3 or more 1½-hour and 2+1-hour classes—\$245

# Family Discounts:

\$20 off the tuition for each additional child in a family

Any student who is left more than 15 minutes after his or her class time without prior arrangements being made with the office staff will be charged a \$10 child-care fee per incident.

\*Friday Classes - \$35 per month for Pas only / \$35 per month for Comp Prep only / \$50 per month both \*If enrolled in other classes at DBJ.

# \*Private Drum Set lesson are available at \$35 per half hour. \*Private Dance lessons available for \$35 per half hour. Dance competition solos or technique.

Duos \$20 each per half hour or \$35 each per hour Trios - \$15 each per half hour / \$25 each per hour

All private lessons are scheduled at the convenience of the dancer and the instructor. They can be scheduled during the mornings, early afternoons before group classes, late evenings after group classes and weekends.

## DANCE ATTIRE

http://shopnimbly.force.com/dancescapebyjoyce

All dancers are required to wear the same color of dance attire in order for the instructors to better see what the dancers' bodies are doing. Dance shirts or sweaters must be either pink or black and are subject to teacher approval.

# 3-4 & 5-7 combo classes leotard colors: Light Pink or Black

Long- or short-sleeved leotard, ballet-pink tights (Underpants are not worn with leotard and tights.) (ALL AGES): **Girls**: pink ballet shoes, *tan tap shoes \*NEW* 

Boys: black ballet shoes, black tap shoes

\*We have changed to tan tap shoes for the combo classes. All combo class dancers need to have tan tap shoes.

This will give us better options for costumes in the combo classes.

Beginning Ballet classes leotard colors: Light Blue or Black Beginning Pointe Classes leotard colors: Light Blue or Black Intermediate Classes leotard colors: Lavender or Black Advanced Classes leotard colors: Plum or Black

Long- or short-sleeved leotard, ballet-pink tights (Underpants are not worn with leotard and tights.)

\* A leotard is a must for ballet & pointe classes!

Girls: pink ballet shoes, pink pointe shoes. Boys: black ballet shoes. (Ms Joyce will give your dancer permission for pointe shoes when qualified.)

#### NO 2 PIECE ATTIRE / NO BAGGY OR LOOSE FITTING SHIRTS. PANTS OR SHORTS!

**TAP CLASSES**: black or **solid colored** long- or short-sleeved leotard, ballet-pink or black tights (Underpants are not worn with leotard and tights.) black / tan tap shoes with low heels for all ages.

\*Tan Tap shoes for combo classes / Black tap shoes for Monday & Saturday Tap classes.

JAZZ, LYRICAL, MODERN, CONTEMPORARY, MUSICAL THEATER DANCE, HIP HOP AND ACRO FOR DANCER CLASSES: black or solid colored long- or short-sleeved leotard, suntan or ballet- pink tights (Underpants are not worn with leotard and tights.) Tight black jazz pants / Leggings or black shorts may be worn with leotard and tights. Jazz: Black jazz shoes. LYRICAL & CONTEMPORARY CLASSES: tan turners HIP HOP CLASSES: black jazz shoes

\* A leotard is a must for these classes. Many moves are done inverted and dancers cannot move freely with clothing go up over their heads.

**BOYS** (ALL CLASSES): White or black t-shirt, black pants or shorts, black socks. (Black sweatpants, black jazz pants, or shorts may be worn)

CELL PHONES AND SMART WATCHES SHOULD BE LEFT IN DANCE BAGS WHILE CLASS IS IN PROGRESS!

#### DANCE CLOTHES AND EQUIPMENT MUST BE MARKED WITH THE DANCER'S NAME.

We are not responsible for dance equipment left at the studio. Be sure you have everything when you leave.

**CORRECT HAIR STYLE**: Long hair must be pulled back neatly in a bun. Short hair must be pinned back with clips. No loose hair, pony tails, dog ears, or long pieces of hair in front of the ears will be permitted in class. Loose hair (short or long) bothers the dancer and keeps her from concentrating on her dancing, so please abide by this important rule.

# **MARTIAL ARTS UNIFORMS**

Martial arts uniforms and personal sparring equipment are purchased by the parents through a web site. Please speak with the instructor for details. All belts are provided to the students without charge as they are earned. Instructions about appropriate shoes will be given by the instructor.

# **OBSERVATION**

Viewing windows are provided for each dance room so that you may observe your student in class, and you are invited to take advantage of this opportunity whenever you can. However, we have found that parents can appreciate their student's progress if they observe a class about once a month. When observing a class, please resist the urge to open the door and make a comment to your student. This action is very disruptive to the entire class. If there is a problem, please make arrangements to discuss it with the teacher, privately.

# **ATTENDANCE**

**ENCOURAGEMENT**: Encourage your child in her/his dancing/martial arts. Impress upon her/him that she/he will be taking lessons for the entire year. Dancing and martial arts require perseverance and are no place for "quitters." After the first year, however, if there is no interest, then it is time to discontinue further lessons.

**CLASS TIME**: Children must be on time to class. Latecomers are disruptive to the other students. Also please be prompt to pick up your children after class; otherwise the boredom of waiting will be associated with dancing.

\*Any student that is left more than 15 minutes after his or her class time without prior arrangements being made with the office staff will be charged a \$10 child-care fee per incident.

If your child must leave a class early, please tell the teacher before class, if possible, or speak with the office manager so that she can get your child from class.

MAKE-UP CLASSES: Class lessons missed because of illness only may be made up. Contact the office manager to arrange make-up classes. *The make-up lesson must be made up within a month of the missed lesson.* 

#### ATTENTION TO ALL NEW DANCE PARENTS

If your child has any special problems, physical or mental, you are required to have a conference with Ms Joyce before registering.

**Holiday Student Performance-** This is your dancer's first opportunity of the year to show family and friends what she/he has been taught the first half of the dance year. We will be having a Holiday Open House in December at the studio. At this performance you can observe your dancer warming up and performing a dance routine that your dancer has been taught during the first half of our dance year.

# PERFORMANCE

#### Dear Parents and Students,

For over 30 years, Dancescape by Joyce has provided students with an exciting performance experience through its June production. The annual staple of the dance school, the **student performance conjures images of childhood** and Americana for many. It's a rite of passage for thousands of children, a chance to shine in front of family and friends that they anticipate with nervous excitement.

This production offers our students a professionally directed performance that allows them to present to their families and friends the results of a year's hardwork, dedication, and progress.

A big part of the dance training process includes learning through performance. The experience helps build self-esteem and self-assurance and contributes to a sense of confidence. Although performance opportunities can help prepare some students for a possible career in dance, they also contribute to children's success in non-dance activities. That onstage experience can result in better in-school presentations, improved social skills, and strong interview skills for future college or job opportunities. The rehearsal process is a tremendous learning experience as well. It helps the children develop retention skills, and by working with their class mates on a group performance, they learn the positive aspects of working as a team to create the best end result.

Dedication to performance commitments is the responsibility of both students and their **parents**. **We have created this handbook in an effort to clarify what we expect from you in terms of** commitment and responsibility to the annual production, the school, and other students and parents.

# **Important PAYMENT information:**

By allowing your child to participate in the Dancescape by Joyce performance, you commit yourself and/or your child to the following expenses.

Costume/Performance Payment Schedule/- Anastasia and Dimitri June 20, 2026 (Stafford PAC)

This fee is not refundable after October 25, 2025.

Level	Must be paid in full by October 25, 2025
3-4 Combo	\$295.00includes costume, tights, headpiece and performance fee. [COSTUME DEPOSIT OF 50% DUE BY SEPTEMBER 15, 2025]
5-7 Combo	\$315.00includes 2 in one costume, tights, headpiece and performance fee, [COSTUME DEPOSIT OF 50% DUE BY SEPTEMBER 15, 2025]
Single-subject MUST PAY	Performance fee - \$205.00 Single-subject class - Costume fees are dependent on type of class. Ballet/pointe- \$150.00 Tap-\$130.00 Jazz-\$130.00 Lyrical-\$130.00 Modern - \$130.00 Hip Hop\$130.00 Musical Theater\$130.00 Contemporary - \$130.00 Costume perosit of 50% Due by September 15, 20251

# Performance Updates

As the season progresses, additional performance information or updates will be <u>emailed</u> to each family and posted at the school. Make it your responsibility to keep abreast of this important information. Please be sure to give us an up-to-date email address! Email us at <u>idancescape@gmail.com</u> so we can confirm your email address ASAP.

Reminder emails will be sent throughout the dance season to help make our performance a success. It is our goal to make the performance experience organized and exciting for all involved. It's a team effort; students, their parents, the teachers, and the director are key players in the success of the show.

## **Home Study**

To ensure that the students feel confident about their performance, we ask parents and guardians to encourage them to rehearse their performance choreography on a regular basis.

An **instructional video** of your child's dance will be available for all classes before the performance. The video will have the music, the steps called out by the instructor, and students and/or teachers demonstrating the routines.

The charge for a video is \$6 per dance. (5-7-year-old combo, 2 dances, \$12). Digital download.

Edited music only ...may be purchased for classes also... this will be emailed as a download. The charge for the music is \$6 for 1 to 3 songs, \$12 for 4 to 7 songs.

Our goal is to make our performance an organized, exciting experience for everyone involved.

#### Performance Fee

A performance fee is charged each student to pay for the auditorium, scenery, music, and other expenses related to the performance. Attendance and parking at the performance are free. Please invite anyone you would like to enjoy your child's performance.

This fee is not refundable after October 25, 2025.

#### Costumes

We spend many hours determining the correct costumes for each class. They are always age-appropriate and of the highest quality possible. Students in 3-4-year combo classes will need one costume; 5-7-year combo students have a two-in-one costume; all other students will need one costume for each subject they train in. Costumes include all accessories (hats, gloves, head pieces, etc.). Tights will also be included. Shoes are not included.

#### Costume/Performance Fee

In an effort to ensure that costumes are delivered in time for school photographs and are organized for distribution to our students, costume orders are placed during November.

Costume manufacturers do not accept cancellations or offer refunds; therefore, the school does not refund performance/costume fees after the costumes have been ordered.

\*Dancescape by Joyce is not responsible if costumes are not received in time for the photo shoot and/or recital due to late payments.

#### **Alterations**

Alterations are sometimes needed after the costumes have been distributed and are the sole responsibility of the student's parent or quardian.

#### Distribution

Costumes will be distributed when all outstanding balances are **paid in full**. The deadline for all performance balances is April 1, 2025. Costumes will be distributed **April 20-25**, **2026** during class times. Class photos will be taken the week of **April 28-May 3**, **2025**. **Pas photos and competition photos will be April 26**, **2026** and **Cast Photo shoot day will be May 3**, **2026** all cast members are required to attend the pas photo shoot and cast photo shoot. A schedule of times will be available later.

#### Withdrawal

**No refunds** will be made of the costume/ performance fee if a parent or guardian withdraws a child from the school for any reason after costumes have been ordered. **The costume companies do not refund payments for any reason; therefore, we cannot give refunds after October 25, 2025.** Parent or guardians may pick up purchased costumes at the school during June 2026 and up to 15 days after the performance. Costumes not picked up after 15 days will be donated to charity.

## Sizing

Costume measuring is done in October during scheduled class times. Each child will be measured in order to determine his or her proper costume size(s). We add one inch to each measurement to allow for growth.

\*There will be a \$5 charge per performance program at the performance. If you purchase a 2/3 or full-page ad in our performance program, you will receive one free program per ad purchased. Remember to bring your \$5 dollar bill or pay with Venmo.

This program book is a keepsake to treasure for years to come.

Stafford PAC is requiring us to distribute reserved seating tickets for our performances. This is for security reasons. There will also be security measures taken during our rehearsals and setup. All backstage help and individual class moms will be required to wear a wrist band.

Dancescape by Joyce does not charge for these tickets!

\*Remember to bring your tickets to the performance!

Each family will receive between 8-10 tickets for the performance at no additional charge.

Extra tickets will be available upon request for a minimal fee.



# Continuing education with:

Dance Masters of America Teachers Training School / Buffalo, New York
New York City Dance Alliance

Dance Masters of America National Workshop 2010 Dance Olympus 2012 & 2013

Dance Masters of America Ballet Intensive 2014 Dance Masters of America National Workshop 2014 Dance Masters of America National Workshop 2015

DMA Ballet Intensive 2016 & Dance Master of America National Workshop 2016
Dance Master of America National Workshop 2017
DMA Tap & Ballet Intensives 2018 & Dance Master of America National Workshop 2018

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Dance Master of America National Workshop 2019

DMA Jazz and Ballet Intensives 2021 & Dance Masters of America National Workshop 2021

Dance Master of America National Workshop 2022 & 2023

Dance Masters of America National Workshop 2024

New York City Dance Alliance / Houston 2024 / TXDM Convention 2024 DMA Ballet Intensive 2025 & Dance Masters of America National Workshop 2025

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