

Dancescape by Joyce on Broadway Studio Handbook



DBJ 2023-24 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. Our studio is host to **Rhythm Cloggers of Houston** on Sunday afternoons.

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 and the South Texas Association of Dance Teachers, Inc. 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 and Teen Miss Dance of Texas 2023 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's 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 7, 2023– First day of classes

August 25, 2023 – A Wish Come True – Trunk Show at DBJ 1:00p.m.

September 4, 2023 – Closed for Labor Day (This is the only Monday holiday DBJ takes.)

September 16, 2023 - Audition Day for Hercules & Megara 4:00p.m. until

(Any dancer wanting an extra role or a feature dance must attend the audition.)

[YAGP Austin Texas](#) Friday, November 3, 4, 5, 2023- Hayes CISD Performing Arts Center

[NYCDA convention & competition- November 10, 11 12, & 2023/ Woodlands Resort](#)

[STADT Convention – November 17, 18 and 19, 2023/ Mariott Westchase](#)

November 20-26, 2023 ... ClosedThanksgiving holiday week.

Holiday Open House Week Thursday Dec. 14th – Wednesday Dec. 20th

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

November 26, 2023 – 6:00p.m. – Headshots for STADT title contestants

[December 17, 2023 \(Sunday\) 5:30p.m. Competition Dancer Showcase / Silambam](#)

December 21, 2023 (Thursday) through January 3, 2024 (Wednesday)Closed ... Winter break.

January 4, 2024First day back 2024! This is a Thursday!

January 20, 2024 – Mock Competition / Broadway studio/

Jump Dance Convention JAN. 26-28 HOUSTON, TX / Westin Galleria

Masquerade Dance – February 2, 3, 4, 2024 - Stafford PAC

VIP DANCE Feb. 9-11 Houston, TX- Stafford PAC

STADT Title / PAC – February 16, 17, 18, 2024..... Mariott Westchase

Star Systems Dance Competition - February 23, 24, 25 2024- Stafford PAC

March 11 – 17, 2024....closed – Spring Break

April 15-20, 2024- Costumes will be distributed during classes.

April 21, 2024-Pas photos and competition dancer photos will be taken.

April 22-27, 2024- Class photos will be taken at the studio.

April 28, 2024- Cast Photo shoot day!

June 22, 2024 – Hercules and Megara – Stafford PAC

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June 22, 2024 Performance –Hercules and Megara- Stafford PAC

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DBI at 288 is
CLOSED as of
June 30, 2023.

\$10 rebate on
tuition if paid
before the 10th
of the month!!

Registration fee-\$30 per family Tuition Fees monthly: 3-4 combo class - \$75 (1 hr. per wk) 5-7 combo class- \$85 (1 ¼ hrs. per wk)

Single subject classes (Adv. Ballet/Pointe, Adv. Lyrical, Adv. Modern) 1 ¼ Hrs. per week - \$85 Tap – 45 minutes - \$70

Single subject classes (Ballet, Tap, Jazz, Lyrical, Modern, Martial Arts, Musical Theater Dance, Tumbling) 1 hr. per week- \$75

Additional single subject classes after 1st class...1hr-\$40 each per month 1 ¼ hr-\$45ea. per month 1 ½ hr-\$50 ea. per month

Unlimited classes-Level 1 - 5+ 1—Hr Classes-\$205

Level 2 – 1- 1 ¼ hr & 4+ 1 hr.classes \$215

Level 3 – 2 1 ¼ hr & 3+1 hr classes \$225

Level 4 3/4 1 ¼ hr & 2+ 1 hr classes \$235

Family Discounts: \$20 off tuition of each additional child in a family.

Monday 5:00 p.m. -6:00 p.m. Beg. Pointe and Pre- Pointe - 9-12 year oldsMs Melissa

Monday 5:00 p.m. -6:00 p.m. Beg. Jazz & Hip Hop - 6-10 year oldsMs Taylor

Monday 6:00 p.m. -7:00 p.m. Beg. Ballet - 6-8 year oldsMs Taylor

Monday 6:00 p.m. -7:00 p.m. Int. Adv. Tap - 10 year olds and upMs Melissa

Monday 7:00 p.m. -8:15 p.m. Adv. PointeMr Rupert

Monday 7:00 p.m. -8:00 p.m. Beg. Musical Theater- 6-11 year oldsMs Taylor

Monday 8:15 p.m. -9:15 p.m. Adv. Musical Theater - 12 year olds and upMs Taylor

Tuesday 5:00p.m. -6:00p.m. Beg. Lyrical Ms Jaclyn

Tuesday 5:15 p.m. -6:15 p.m. Int. Lyrical -9 – 14 year olds Ms Joyce

Tuesday 6:00 p.m. -7:15 p.m. Adv. Modern -13 year olds and up Mr. Keith

Tuesday 6:15 p.m. -7:15 p.m. 3-4 yr Combo Ms Joyce

Tuesday 6:30 p.m.– 7:30 p.m. Martial Arts 6 & Up..... Mr Paul

Tuesday 7:15 p.m. -8:30 p.m. Adv. Lyrical -13 yr olds and up Ms Joyce

Tuesday 7:15 p.m. -8:30 p.m. Int. Pointe & Ballet -12-15 year olds Mr. Keith

Wednesday 5:00 p.m. -6:00 p.m. Beg./ Int. Modern 6-8yr. oldsMs Jaclyn

Wednesday 5:15 p.m. -6:30 p.m. 5-7yr combo Ms Shelley

Wednesday 6:00 p.m. -7:00 p.m. Beg/Int Acro for Dancers.....Ms Taylor

Wednesday 6:30 p.m. -7:30 p.m. 3-4 yr combo Ms Shelley

Wednesday 7:00 p.m. -8:00 p.m. Int/Adv Acro for Dancers..... Ms Taylor

Wednesday 7:30 p.m. -8:30 p.m. Ballet /Pointe TechniqueMs Shelley

Wednesday 8:00 p.m. -9:00 p.m. Hip Hop 10yrs and up Ms Taylor

Thursday 5:00 p.m. -6:00 p.m. Int. Pointe & Ballet -12-15 year olds Ms Joyce

Thursday 5:00 p.m. -6:00 p.m. Beg. Pointe and Pre- Pointe - 9-12 year olds Mr. Keith

Thursday 6:00 p.m. -7:15 p.m. 5-7yr combo Ms Joyce

Thursday 6:00 p.m. -7:00 p.m. Int./Adv. Jazz – 11-14 year olds Mr. Keith

Thursday 6:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m. Martial Arts – 6 and up Mr Paul

Thursday 7:15 p.m. -8:30 p.m. Adv. Pointe and Ballet Ms Joyce

Thursday 7:00 p.m. -8:00 p.m. Int. Jazz – 8-12 year olds Mr. Keith

Thursday 8:30 p.m. -9:30 p.m. Adv. Jazz -13 year olds and up Mr. Keith

Friday 6:00-7:30p.m. – Pas de deux (Int/Adv dancers) (Not included in unlimited)Mr Keith

Saturday 10:00 a.m.--11:00 a.m. 3-4yr combo Ms Brianna & Ms Joyce

Saturday 10:30a.m.-11:45 a.m. 12yr olds and up Contemporary Dance.....Ms. Taylor

Saturday 11:00 a.m.--12:15p.m. 5-7yr combo Ms Brianna & Ms Joyce

Saturday 12:15-1:00p.m. Beg/ Int Tap 6 and upMs Brianna

Saturday 11:45a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Acro for DancersMs. Taylor

Saturday 1:00p.m. -2:00p.m.– JR Level Competition Group(Not included in unlimited)Ms Taylor

Private technique lessons for all ages if you prefer a one on one experience...-\$30 per half hour



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online registration,
and online store

***Private lessons
available**

\$30 per half hour

Dance

&

Drum Set

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 10th 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:

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

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)

– 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 1¼-hour single classes after 1st subject—————\$45.00 per month each

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

Unlimited classes (monthly):

- Level 1—5+ 1-hour classes—\$205
- Level 2—1 1¼-hour and 4+ 1-hour classes— \$215
- Level 3—2 1¼-hour and 3+ 1-hour classes—\$225
- Level 4—3 or more 1¼-hour and 2+ 1-hour classes—\$235

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.

Pas de deux class is \$90 per month or \$45 if an additional class.

Private Drum Set lesson are available at \$30 per half hour.

***Private Dance lessons available for \$30 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

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

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

LEOTARD & TIGHTS

COMBINATION CLASSES (ALL AGES): black long- or short-sleeved leotard, ballet-pink tights (Underpants are not worn with leotard and tights.)

BALLET CLASSES: black long- or short-sleeved leotard, ballet-pink tights (Underpants are not worn with leotard and tights.)

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

TAP CLASSES: black or solid colored long- or short-sleeved leotard, ballet-pink or black tights (Underpants are not worn with leotard and tights.)

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.

*** 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)

DANCE SHOES

COMBINATION CLASSES (ALL AGES): **Girls:** pink ballet shoes, black tap shoes
Boys: black ballet shoes, black tap shoes

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

TAP CLASSES: black tap shoes with low heels for all ages **JAZZ CLASSES:** black jazz shoes

LYRICAL & CONTEMPORARY CLASSES: tan turners **HIP HOP CLASSES:** black jazz shoes

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 hard work, 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 classmates 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've 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.

This fee is not refundable after October 25, 2023.

Costume/Performance Payment Schedule-- Hercules and Megara -June 22, 2024 (Stafford PAC)

Level	Must be paid in full by October 25, 2023
3-4 Combo	\$285 ...includes costume, tights, headpiece and performance fee. [COSTUME DEPOSIT OF 50% DUE BY SEPTEMBER 15, 2023]
5-7 Combo	\$305.00 ...includes 2 in one costume, tights, headpiece and performance fee, [COSTUME DEPOSIT OF 50% DUE BY SEPTEMBER 15, 2023]
Single-subject MUST PAY	Performance fee - \$195.00 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 DEPOSIT OF 50% DUE BY SEPTEMBER 15, 2023]

Costumes will not be ordered until total is paid. Balance must be paid by October 25, 2023

- Costumes are always age-appropriate and of the highest quality possible.

Performance Updates

As the season progresses, additional performance information or updates will be **emailed** 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 jdancescape@gmail.com 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, 2023.

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 guardian.

Distribution

Costumes will be distributed when all outstanding balances are **paid in full**. The deadline for all performance balances is April 1, 2023. Costumes will be distributed **April 15-20, 2024** during class times. Class photos will be taken the week of **April 22-27, 2024**. **Pas photos and competition photos will be April 21, 2024 and cast Photo shoot day will be April 28, 2024 all cast members are required to attend the pas pas 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, 2023.** Parent or guardians may pick up purchased costumes at the school during June 2024 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.

NEW!

*There will be a **\$5 charge per performance program** at the performance. If you purchase an 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.

***This increase in the cost of programs will allow us to print more copies...last year we ran out very quickly.**

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.



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DMA Tap & Ballet Intensives 2018 & Dance Master of America National Workshop 2018
Dance Master of America National Workshop 2019
DMA Jazz and Ballet Intensives 2021 & Dance Masters of America National Workshop 2021
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