

Dancescape by Joyce



35+ years on our toes!
Established 1984

Dancescape by Joyce at 288 Studio Handbook 2022-2023 Dance Year

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Dancescape by Joyce at 288 is a school for the arts. We offer group instruction in the dance arts: **ballet, pointe, tap, jazz, lyrical, hip hop, acro for dancers and modern.**

Dancescape by Joyce was established by Joyce Beck 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 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 and Teen Miss Dance of Texas 2020 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 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 at 288*

August 8, 2022– First day of classes

September 5, 2022 – Closed for Labor Day (This is the only Monday holiday DBJ takes.)

November 18, 19 & 20th 2022 – STADT / DMA Convention weekend.

November 20 – 27, 2022 – Thanksgiving Holiday... no classes this week.

December 17th, (Saturday evening), December 18th, (Sunday evening) & Dec. 19th (Monday evening)–
[Holiday Performance /at Silambam black box]

December 19th, 2022 – January 1st, 2023 – Closed for holiday break

January 3, 2023 (Tuesday) – First day back to dance

March 13-19, 2023– Spring Break – No dance classes Monday through Sunday

March 20, 2023– First day back after Spring Break

April 9, 2023 Easter Sunday (no rehearsals or private lessons)

April–10– 15, 2023 Costume distribution and parent meetings both studios

April 17 – April 22, 2023... Photo shoot 288 Studio

May 14, 2023– Mother's Day Sunday (no rehearsals or private lessons)

June 18, 2023– Father's Day Sunday (no rehearsals or private lessons)

June 25, 2023 (Sunday)- **Dancers Don't Need Wings to Fly**- 288 studio performance- Stafford PAC

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2022-2023 Dance Year August 8, 2022- June 25, 2023

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

Tuition and registration fees: Registration (per family) - \$30.00

Tuition Fees (per month): 3-4 combo class - \$75 (1 hr. per week) 5-7 combo class - \$85 (1 ¼ hrs. per week)

Single subject classes (Adv. Ballet/Pointe, Adv. Lyrical, Sat. Beg. & Int. Pointe) - \$85 (1 ¼ hrs. per week)

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

Single-subject classes after 1st class... \$35 per month each for 1 hour & \$40 per month each for 1.25 hours

Unlimited classes- Level 1—5+ 1-hour classes—\$200/ Level 2—1 1¼-hour & 4+ 1-hour classes— \$210/ Level 3 - \$220 / Level 4- \$230

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

Monday 5:00-6:00 – Beg. Point and Pre-Pointe – 9-12 years old Ms. Shelley

Monday 5:15-6:15 – Adv. Modern – 12 years old and up.....Mr. Keith

Monday 6:00-7:00 – Beg. Ballet – 6-9 years old..... Ms. Shelley

Monday 6:15-7:30 – Adv. Ballet/Pointe – 13 years old and up Mr. Keith

Monday 7:30-8:30 – Adv. Jazz – 13 years old and up..... Mr. Keith

Tuesday 5:15-6:30 – 5-7-Year-Old Combo.....Ms Kelly

Tuesday 5:15-6:15 – 3-4-Year-Old Combo.....Ms Melissa

Tuesday 6:15-7:30 – Int. Ballet/ Pointe – 12-15 years oldMs Melissa

Tuesday 7:30-8:30 – Adv. Tap – 11 years old and up.....Ms Melissa

Wednesday 4:45-5:45 – Beg. Lyrical – 6-11 years old..... Ms. Shelley

Wednesday 5:45-7:00 – Adv. Ballet/Pointe – 13 years old and up.....Ms Joyce

Wednesday 5:45-6:45 – Int Lyrical Ms. Shelley

Wednesday 6:45-7:45 – Beg. Point and Pre-Pointe – 9-12 years old..... Ms. Shelley

Wednesday 7:00-8:15 – Adv. Lyrical – 12 years old and up.....Ms Joyce

Thursday 5:00-6:00 – Int. Ballet/Pointe – 12-15 years oldMs Shelley

Thursday 5:15-6:15 – Intermediate Jazz.....Ms Taylor

Thursday 6:00-7:15– 5-7-Year-Old Combo.....Ms Brianna

Thursday 6:15-7:15– Hip Hop – 8 years old and up.....Ms Taylor

Thursday 7:15-8:15 – Beg./Int. Modern – 8 years old and up.....Ms Taylor

Thursday 7:15-8:15 - Beg/Int. Tap – 6 years old and up.....Ms Brianna

Thursday 8:15-9:15- Acro- for Dancers Ms Taylor

Saturday 10:00-11:00 – 3-4-Year-Old Combo.....Ms Joyce & Ms Brianna

Saturday 11:00-12:15 – 5-7-Year-Old Combo..... Ms Joyce & Ms Brianna

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

Private lessons available in dance \$30 per half hour.

TUITION

Tuition for dance 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 writing your check. **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

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—————\$35.00 per month each

Additional 1¼-hour single classes after 1st subject—————\$40.00 per month each

Additional 1½-hour single classes after 1st subject—————\$45.00 per month each

Unlimited classes (monthly):

- Level 1—5+ 1-hour classes—\$200
- Level 2—1 1¼-hour and 4+ 1-hour classes— \$210
- Level 3—2 1¼-hour and 3+ 1-hour classes—\$220
- Level 4—3 or more 1¼-hour and 2+ 1-hour classes—\$230

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.

***Private Dance lessons available for \$30 per half hour.**

Dance competition solos or technique.

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 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 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 CLASSES: tan shoes, either jazz shoes or tan turners

HIP HOP CLASSES: black jazz shoes / NO SNEAKERS!

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.

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 an informal holiday performance in December; the location and date is to be announced. At this performance you can observe 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 commitments and responsibility to the annual production, the school, and other students and parents.

Costume/Performance Payment Schedule –Dancers Don't Need Wings to Fly- June 25, 2023 (Stafford PAC)

Class	Costume deposit Paid at registration.	9/20/2022	10/15/2022	Total Due by 10/15/2022
3-4 Combo	\$90	\$90	\$85	\$265.00
5-7 Combo	\$100	\$100	\$95	\$295.00
Single-subject MUST PAY	\$175	½ of balance	Remainder due	Total for all class costumes & performance fee

Performance fee - \$215.00

Single-subject class - Costume fees are dependent on type of class.

Ballet/pointe- \$120.00 Tap-\$110.00 Jazz-\$110.00 Lyrical-\$110.00 Modern - -\$110.00
Hip Hop--\$110.00 Musical Theater--\$110.00

Costumes will not be ordered until they are paid for in full.

*\$25 late fee per costume will be charged after payment deadline of October 15, 2022.

➤ 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!** Reminder emails will be sent 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 DVD** of your child's dance will be available for all classes before the performance. The DVD 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 or DVD.**

Edited music only ...may be purchased for classes also... this will be emailed or on CD.

The charge for a CD 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 15, 2022.

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 (October 15, 2022).*

***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 October 15, 2022. Costumes will be distributed **April 10 – 15, 2023**, during class times. Class photos will be taken the week of **April 17 – April 22, 2023**. A schedule of times will be available later.

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.

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.** Parent or guardians may pick up purchased costumes at the school during June 2022 and up to 15 days after the performance.

Costumes not picked up after 15 days will be donated to charity.

*There will be a \$1 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 dollar in cash! 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!

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Teachers Training School / Buffalo, New York
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Dance Masters of America National Workshop 2010
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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

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