

LEARN TO DANCE AT MY DANCE HUB IN AURORA

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Dancing is a great way to get healthy exercise, to learn something new and have fun while meeting and enjoying other people. If you are interested, My Dance Hub, located at 4332 Fox Valley Center Drive in Aurora (near Kohl's, 630/236-8400) is the place to go!

No matter your age, whether single or married, at My Dance Hub, you will find a diverse, active community of people who want to learn to be better ballroom dancers... those who just want to enjoy the sport of dancing, those who aim to perfect a dance to perform at a wedding or anniversary party and those interested in competitions.

The friendly, open and informal atmosphere at My Dance Hub welcomes dancers of all skill levels and experience.

The dance styles taught at the school include those of American Rhythm (ChaCha, Rumba, East Coast Swing, Bolero & Mambo); American Smooth (Waltz, Tango, Foxtrot, Peabody & Viennese Waltz); Latin (Salsa, Merengue, Cumbia & Bachata); International Ballroom (Waltz, Tango, Foxtrot, Quickstep & Viennese Waltz); International Latin (ChaCha, Rumba, Samba, Paso Doble & Jive); and Social (Hustle, West Coast Swing & Argentine Tango).

The team of professional dance instructors includes Owner Jaana Lillemagi, who started her dance career at age 6 in Estonia where she became a two time national champion in the International styles. In the US, she won several championships as well. Nicholas Rodriguez is from the Naperville area. Originally a hip hop dancer, he has flourished as an instructor who is fluent as a teacher of all dance styles (although he loves salsa!). Caleb Aleman, originally from Indiana, began teaching ballroom dancing in 2006 and is knowledgeable in Latin, Standard, Rhythm and Smooth and is an experienced competitor in the latter two styles as well. He helps with competition hair styles and costume design. Paulina Struk, although born in the US, began her dancing in Poland at the age of 8 and studied there, gaining experience in camps and competitions until she returned here after high school to complete a bachelor's degree in Neuroscience with a minor in Kinesiology.



Private Dance Lessons allow students the advantage of having individualized one on one instruction at times convenient to their schedules. Lessons do not revolve around one particular style of dance but the whole curriculum can be custom built for each dancer. Another advantage is a more efficient use of lesson time so that learning is continuous. Inquire about ProAm opportunities. Finally, private lesson students have the opportunity to attend unlimited complimentary group classes. Semi-private lessons are also available; simply inquire to find the best option.

For Amateur Partner Dance Competitions, staff members serve as resources for rules, regulations, costumes (ballroom gowns which can be rented), make-up and hair styling, as well as preparations necessary for success. Dance Showcases provide the means to gain performance experience; most showcases take place at My Dance Hub while competitions are usually held off site. Monthly Friday social parties are held from 8 – 10 PM; a small fee includes the opportunity to practice, watch student and instructor performances and meet and socialize with other students.

Future Dancers, call My Dance Hub today and get started!



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