

Welcome to Studio 6 Ballroom!

Congratulations on making a decision that is going to change your life in so many fun ways and on choosing the dedicated high-quality educators at Studio 6 to guide you!
We are simply here to help so we very much appreciate you choosing us!

To make the most of your visit, please plan to arrive at least 15 minutes before your appointment time. This will give you time to relax and transition from your day so that you can get the most out of your lesson. This will also allow you time for stretching, warm up & review to prepare for class. This also helps class progress from week to week. We ask that you please practice between classes for this reason also. Good attendance is very important in everyone's learning as absences & tardiness can hold back an entire class.

During class...

If you have any questions during the course of your lesson, **please pipe up!** We appreciate you being part of your learning process. We are not here to tell you what to do – we are here to teach you! Please avoid offering unsolicited “help” to partners during class. They may have a very different idea of what “helpful” means than you do. Wait for your partner to ask for help or ask the instructor to take a look at the two of you to help whatever is not quite flowing right. While learning, some people just need a chance to concentrate and any extra voices can be distracting. Tip: Always remember that whatever you think isn't working, it's actually what came before it. Whatever you are noticing is actually the result not the source that caused it.

What do I wear?

Wear clothes that make you feel confident (a ballroom is a great place to get a little dressy!) and shoes that do not stick to, scratch, or scuff the floor. Socks are fine to start in. Considering heels? It is best to wear shoes that are of a height that you are used to wearing on a daily basis. Please avoid spiky heels due to the damage they can cause to the dance floor, which could spoil everyone else's dance experience & jeopardize safety. Just like any sport, your equipment makes a world of difference. Ask your instructor about dance shoes & other accessories. There's a range to choose from and we have some for sale here!

What we expect...

We expect all students & visitors to conduct themselves in an ethical, appropriate & respectful manner. Studio 6 works very hard to provide a positive learning environment. Yelling, putting down, gossip and slander will not be tolerated. Studio 6, and its instructors, have the right to refuse service to anyone. Because of the experience & level of our instructors, they choose who they work with, which is a compliment to you (and has nothing to do with your level or learning pace)! Your learning and growth is a team effort-you and all of the coaches at Studio 6. We expect you to practice what you have learned and contact your instructor if you have questions. Your coaches expect you to also keep consistent not only in your practice but in your learning schedule. A coach cannot work as much magic without your consistency & practicing. We see the ballroom as a second home and strive to keep it as cared for, clean, and safe as our actual home (if not better!). We hope that you too care for & respect it in the same manor to be enjoyed by all and so that the focus can continue to be on lessons!

Opportunities...

There are many opportunities to learn. We have set up our system in a way that *you* can create your learning program with the coaches are available for advising. Don't forget that you have experienced coaches available to help you in your decision making. Our various group classes & seminar days offer different approaches, energy & exercise levels, and content. Most can be repeated several times to reinforce core learning as well as learn new compilations. Many students are excited to practice and even split private lessons. You can create your own group or party. If you are goal oriented, you may choose to take exams on your knowledge, local or national, or prepare for a competition (also local or national-great travel opportunities!). People attend competitions & showcases for many reasons and there are many levels offered to enter at. Some watch to see the various dances at different levels, some enter to have a goal to help them expedite their learning & abilities, some to have a performance/artistic outlet, some to socially compete, and others to ride their competitive and/or sports streak. We also like to offer performance opportunities at our events and others we get involved in. Please let us know if you are interested in our new performance team!

**Again, welcome! We look forward to helping you with your goals imagined & not yet imagined!
We hope you take advantage of outings, dances, live bands, & other events we offer.
Please communicate any of questions or concerns to any of us at any time.**

PRIVATE COACHING

Private lessons offer a **customized** concentrated learning experience which will help you reach your goals more quickly. You learn at your pace and your desired curriculum. Unlike group classes, private lessons allow you to dig deep down into understanding the mechanics of dancing that make it easier and much more fun. Private lessons provide an opportunity to work on how you are moving to make you look as impressive as possible plus how to communicate with any partner—these two can go hand & hand. Taking private coaching can also help you keep up with the pace of any group class you are attending. This is a beneficial way to learn for those who need a flexible schedule. Whether you want to be a great social dancer, performer, competitive dancer or are just preparing for a special event, private lessons will definitely help you efficiently and effectively reach your goals, in a more expedited way. It is recommended to schedule your lessons no longer than a week apart.

Your coach's expectation of you is that you practice between sessions to prepare to move forward in your next lesson. This is very important so that you get your money's worth and so that you represent your coach well whenever you use your new skill (your coaches are well known in this country & beyond). Continual failure to do your part in your learning could result in the coach firing you. It is essential that you do your part in learning to get what you want out of it. Private coaching runs \$65-\$90 per 55 minute session. Sessions can be set up in longer or shorter blocks.

GROUP CLASSES

Group classes are a great way to pick up amalgamations and practice with various partners in a controlled environment. It's like learning a language and, on a particular day, the class is going to mock being in that country. Here, among your peers, you will learn fundamentals, patterns, and partnering, in a friendly, patient, fun, and inviting setting. Group classes move at the average speed of those attending. Please be considerate and make all of the classes you have registered for so that you do not hold back your classmates. Just like any educational institution, each class is progressive and we expect you to be on top of your attendance & preparation. If you feel you are falling behind, you can ask the coach for a private lesson and/or practice with your classmates.

REGISTERING FOR CLASS

For Private Coaching's or Group Classes:

You can register online, in person, by mail, or over the phone. You can use a credit card from our web site for a small convenience fee. Otherwise we take cash or check (written to 'Studio 6 Ballroom' unless it is to our Master Coach, Natasha Thayer in which case you can write it to her or Studio 6). Just as any other professional service, if you cancel your appointment less than 24 hours in advance, you are responsible for the instructor's time, you will be billed for the full session scheduled.

Group Class Tuition:

Group class tuition is based on the number of weeks in the month & is priced per person. You must register or call ahead to make a reservation. If you miss a class, you may be able to make it up within the same month in another class. Registering ahead has its benefits. You get discounted tuition & updates on class status. This also helps cut down on class time wasted on registration.

"Discounted Tuition"

is available if you register by the week before class begins. 4 weeks \$52, 5 weeks \$65,

"Regular Tuition Rate"

4 weeks \$60, 5 weeks \$75, (youth/student/military receive 10% off)

"Post Registration" Sign up

With instructor approval only, so as not to disrupt the pace or balance of class, you may be allowed to join a class after it has begun if you are advanced enough to catch up or have caught up in a private lesson.

The remainder of classes in the session will be calculated at \$15/class (this includes if you register after the 1 week prior deadline)

"Drop-In"

Drop-in's must be approved by the instructor. Due to Drop-In's taking up class time for administration work, there will be a \$3 administration fee added to the \$15/class "post registration" fee (\$18 total).

"Unlimited Package"

Unlimited group classes, unlimited practice time, and 1 private coaching. This is an easy way to register and a very beneficial way to learn. Monthly tuition is \$249 for an individual

Check for holiday specials such as: Winter Holiday / Summer special Unlimited Package: \$199 individual

CLASS DETAILS

- Group Class Tuition is non-refundable. However, make-up classes may be available for injury or illness and must be pre-arranged with the instructor within the same month.
 - Any checks returned for non-sufficient funds will be subject to a \$35.00 administration charge
 - Instructor has the right to run a group class with 3 or fewer students as a half hour private--at no additional charge to the student(s).
 - Instructors are selectively chosen contractors that form a special team for you.
 - We have the right to refuse service.
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