

ARTS Class Descriptions

PRE-SCHOOL BALLET/TAP

Pupils of pre-school age up to approximately 5yrs are introduced to the basics of Ballet and Tap dancing with the assistance of nursery rhymes and songs. These lessons are designed to prepare them for the world of dance with the emphasis on fun and development.

All the children, even those in the youngest Juvenile class, are expected to participate without parental help. However, we do have windows into the studios where parents are able to see the class and their child's progress within.

All pre-school classes take Medal Tests and Rainbow Exams should they wish to do so, which consist of one simple dance routine performed with their teacher, and the elder of the pre-school classes have a syllabus exam which is also taken with their teacher.

MODERN/TAP

These two subjects can be studied together in one session or separately. Pupils study N.A.T.D Modern Stage for Examination purposes but are also taught from a variety of other syllabi in order to benefit from a range of styles.

Tap lessons follow the Stage branch of the N.A.T.D, which takes its roots from the American style of tap dancing.

Exams can be taken up to teacher qualification along with Junior and Senior Medals. Pupils are encouraged to participate in many different kinds of shows with ARTS to attain stage and performance experience.

BALLET

Due to the technical demands of classical dance and the dedication required to achieve this, ballet is inevitably a more serious class with the emphasis on tuition and discipline.

Pupils are prepared for Graded examinations, including student and full teachers qualifications in the N.A.T.D, and may also study for Medal Tests incorporating mime and character work.

When not preparing for Examinations pupils also benefit from free classes, incorporating other syllabi, such as the R.A.D, which helps promote a fuller understanding of Ballet as well as improving technique and classical expression.

Pupils also have the opportunity to perform in several shows allowing them to gain invaluable performance experience. Students have enjoyed much success with the National Youth Ballet and over 30 students have appeared in their productions of 'The Nutcracker' and 'Coppelia' at the Theatre Royal, Norwich.

Students are expected to have the correct hairstyle (ballet bun) and Ballet uniform at all times.

DISCO

Disco is an energetic up-to-date class using pop music and other catchy tunes pupils will know and love!

This class is great for fun and fitness, and may be taken casually or with the view to taking exams.

The children may take Exams starting with basic one-dance tests, moving up to Grades, various Medals and through to teacher qualifications.

STREET

Street dancing is one of the latest crazes in dance. An energetic and fast paced class, it incorporates moves from the 'street' with elements of hip-hop, funk and R'n'B, carefully choreographed to songs which incorporate modern trends in dance music. This is a fun class designed to teach the types of 'music video' moves made famous by stars such as Justin Timberlake and Beyonce.

MUSICAL THEATRE

This innovative new session incorporates Acting , Singing and Movement from the West End and Broadway style Shows. The class is designed to give pupils a varied knowledge of the skills required for Musical Theatre and also a repertoire from a wide spectrum of Shows, past and present. Children can develop their skills and confidence within a relaxed and fun environment.

SINGING

Singing Lessons are provided as a basis for those with a talent they would like to develop or for those that simply enjoy singing. Lessons encourage voice development and harmony in a light hearted style through a variety of music, from West End to Pop. Pupils are given the chance to sing both melody and harmony parts and gain confidence through solo and as a chorus. The Singing Groups often have the opportunity to perform at public events around Norfolk, and some members have even sung at The Royal Albert Hall, Her Majesty's Theatre, London and at Disneyland Paris. Pupils have also taken Examinations at various levels.

Private Lessons are also offered in Singing for solos, duets and small groups.

ADULT DANCE

All Adult classes at ARTS are fun and energetic with a mixed range of ages and abilities with the emphasis on fitness and achievement rather than technique. We currently have classes in Tap, Modern, Street, Latin and Singing.

MUSIC LESSONS

ARTS offers private music lessons in Guitar, Trumpet and Piano for beginners to advanced standard. Although it is not compulsory, working towards Examinations is advisable as it allows the pupil to gain a sense of development and achievement through their lessons. Both theoretical and technical elements of the subject are covered and making the lesson fun for both the pupil and teacher is equally important as this helps give the pupil more confidence in their talents as well as encouraging a genuine love of music.

ELITE BALLET

We have recently developed an Elite programme of training for our Ballet students who show potential and have a strong technical ability. These classes are split into 3 levels; Juvenile, Junior and Senior and take place once a month with a highly renowned Ballet teacher. Students take these classes alongside their normal classes and are of great benefit to their studies.

CONTEMPORARY

Contemporary is the latest subject to be added to the curriculum at ARTS. A variety of techniques are used to give the students a broad study in this highly personal and free form of dance.

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