



JOIN US FOR OUR 2023/24 SEASON IN CASTLEGAR

Classes start September 11, 2023

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JOIN US FOR

SEASON 33



Steps Dance Centre has been serving the Greater Trail area since 1991. Founded by Rhonda Michallik, Steps quickly became the go-to studio for quality dance training in a variety of styles.

At Steps, we are proud to offer classes in a wide array of dance styles. These include Jazz, Tap, Ballet, Hip Hop, Modern, Pointe, Lyrical, and Musical Theatre. Our classes start for children at the age of 3, with our Preschool dance classes teaching them fundamental movements and rhythm through music and games. We have classes and levels for all dancers age 5-18, after which we hold regular sessions of beginner adult classes.

Our two locations in downtown Trail allow us to offer a variety of class days/times between our three studio spaces.

We are beyond excited to be joining the Castlegar community this September, as well!

Our regular dance season runs from September to May, with weekly classes and performance opportunities. We finish off our year with a highly anticipated year-end recital, held at The Bailey Theatre, that showcases all of our amazing dancers!

We look forward to sharing our love of dance with you!



VISION

To use the art of dance to impact the world in a positive way

VALUES

Respect

- We understand that everyone is doing their best
- We operate under professionalism and integrity
- We assume positive intent
- We believe that respect for others begins with respect for self

Artistry

- We infuse art and creativity into all that we do
- We create with our hearts, souls, and minds
- We give dancers the tools to express themselves through the art of dance
- We help dreams become reality

Dedication

- We set ambitious goals, and we work hard to achieve them
- We show up prepared, focused, and ready to work
- We keep our commitments, and we don't give up
- We use our passion to push our own limits

Growth

- We provide safe, quality training to all ages and abilities
- We strive to be better than we were yesterday
- We continuously look for new learning opportunities
- We challenge ourselves daily

MISSION

To encourage and support dancers to find their inner artist through discipline and respect, for both self and others

Meet the Teachers



MISS JESSEE

Owner/Director
Jazz, Tap, Hip Hop



MISS CLARA

Jazz, Tap, Hip Hop, Acro



MISS ASHLIE

Jazz, Ballet, Acro

Our Classes

10 Styles

All Ages



Ballet
Modern
Pointe
Jazz
Tap
Hip Hop
Musical Theatre
Contemporary
Lyrical
Tiny Tots

Tiny Tots | Ages 3-5
Pre | Ages 5-7
Jr. | Ages 7-10
Int. | Ages 10-12
Teen | Ages 12+
Adult | Ages 18+

Jr. Step It Up
Step It Up

**separate information packs
available*

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Trail location only

Mini SIU is a team of dancers within Steps Dance Centre, ages 6-8, who are passionate and excited about learning multiple styles of dance, and who love to perform. These dancers will be invited to perform at local community events, such as parades, charity events, and Silver City Days.

They will also participate in two local dance festivals, Motivate Dance Festival and West Kootenay Festival of the Arts, and the East Kootenay Festival of the Arts in Cranbrook. This opportunity is great for those dancers who want a few more chances to perform locally and attend dance festivals. As well, this is a great "stepping stone" for those dancers who would like to join Step It Up in the future.

Step It Up

Trail location only

The Step It Up dance team is Steps Dance Centre's main representation within our community. We perform at a variety of local events, such as Silver City Days, Remembrance Day, and many others. Dancers in Step It Up are passionate about learning and growing in dance, and sharing their love of it through performing. They commit to learning extra dances, taking extra classes, and attending extra rehearsals.

In addition to performing locally, the dance team often travels to dance festivals and competitions in BC and Alberta. These events offer unique opportunities for the dancers to learn, meet new people, receive professional feedback, and much more. Ultimately, the Step It Up dance team is a core group of dancers who aim to take their dance training, their love of dance, and their achievements to the next level.

Performance Group

Castlegar location only

Performance Group is a fantastic option for any dancers who are interested in learning multiple styles of dance, and performing within the community a bit more! Dancers will take classes in Ballet, Jazz, and Tap, and attend one Choreography class per week to learn an extra dance.

They will be invited to local performances, and two local dance festivals.



Fall Term

Sept. 11–Dec. 22

Winter Term

Jan. 8–Mar. 15

Spring Term

Apr. 1–May 24

We follow the SD20 school calendar for our winter and spring breaks, during which there are no dance classes. Regular classes will run on any holidays that occur during the weeks, such as Thanksgiving, Easter, etc.

Events

Motivate Dance Festival – *March 2023 (exact dates TBA)*

In Class Dress Rehearsal & Photo Week – *May 12–17*

Stage Rehearsal – *Saturday, May 25*

Year End Recitals – *Sunday, May 26*

Dates are subject to change

Steps Dance Centre - CASTLEGAR

2023/2024 Schedule

	Room 11	Martial Arts Room
Monday	3:30pm-4:15pm <i>Pre Jazz</i> 4:15pm-5:00pm <i>Pre Ballet</i> 5:00pm-5:45pm <i>Jr. Jazz</i> 5:45pm-6:30pm <i>Jr Ballet</i> 6:30pm-7:30pm <i>Int/Teen Ballet</i>	
Tuesday	2:30pm-3:15pm <i>Little Tots</i> 3:15pm-4:00pm <i>Pre Tap</i> 4:00pm-4:45pm <i>Jr. Tap</i> 4:45pm-5:30pm <i>Jr. Hip Hop</i> 5:30pm-6:30pm <i>Int/Teen. Tap</i> 6:30pm-7:30pm <i>Int/Teen Hip Hop</i>	
Wednesday		
Thursday		3:15pm-4:00pm <i>Acro Level 1-3</i> 4:00pm-4:45pm <i>Acro Level 4-5</i> 4:45pm-5:45pm <i>Acro Level 6-7</i> 5:45pm-6:45pm <i>Int/Teen Jazz</i> 6:45pm-8:00pm <i>Performance Group</i> <i>Choreo</i>
Friday		
Saturday		
Sunday		

Steps Dance Centre

2023/2024 Fees

Our classes run from September to May. We charge a yearly tuition fee for the season, with the option to pay monthly (9 payments).

With the structure of our program, and to instill the values that we consider important, we ask dancers to commit to the nine months of weekly classes.

All classes, except Tiny Tots Dance, will participate in the Motivate Dance Festival (cost of 12.50+GST per class due Feb 1st).

All classes will perform a dance at our year-end recital.

Registration Fee:

GST INCLUDED

\$35/dancer - until June 2nd

\$45/dancer – June 15th - October 15th

All dancers will receive a class bodysuit OR t-shirt at no charge, with registration.

There is no registration fee for adult dance classes, intensives, camps, or short-term sessions.

A dancer may be withdrawn from a class if the registration fee is unpaid, and the class has a waitlist.

Registration fees are non-refundable.

*Monthly payments are due on the **1st of each month**, and can be made by:*

Jackrabbit – credit card OR pre-authorized debit (preferred)

Credit card (first week of each month, in the office)

Debit (first week of each month, in the office)

9 post-dated cheques

Cash (first week of each month, in the office)

E-transfer to info@stepsdancecentre.ca (first week of each month)

5% discount if annual tuition is paid in full before September 15th, 2023

45 Minute Classes

1 class weekly

594.00/season +GST

\$66.00/month (9 payments) +GST

2 classes weekly

\$1128.60/season +GST

\$125.40/month (9 payments) +GST

3 classes weekly

\$1514.70/season +GST

\$168.30/month (9 payments) +GST

4 Classes Weekly

1848.00/Season + GST

205.33/Month (9 Payments) +GST

1 Hour Classes

1 class weekly

\$657.00/season +GST

\$73.00/month (9 payments) +GST

2 classes weekly

\$1248.30/season +GST

\$138.70/month (9 payments) +GST

3 classes weekly

\$1675.35/season +GST

\$186.15/month (9 payments)

4 classes weekly

\$2102.40/season +GST

\$233.60/month (9 payments) +GST

5 classes and up

\$2332.35/season +GST

\$259.15/month (9 payments) +GST

Costume Fee (Recreational Classes):

GST INCLUDED

\$68.25 per class

Due November 1st, 2023

This will be debited with monthly fees for November if unpaid prior.

Tiny Tots Dance Costume Fee:

GST INCLUDED

\$68.25

Due February 1st, 2023

This will be debited with monthly fees for February if unpaid prior.

If actual costume costs are less than the fee, then partial credits/refunds will be issued by April.

Step It Up Dance Team

Lockers included in fees – first come first served

\$2515.50/season +GST

\$279.50/month +GST

This tuition fee allows the dancer to take unlimited classes at Steps Dance Centre, with the exception of any workshops, intensives, and short-term sessions.

Costume Fee (SIU):

\$65.00-\$110.00/dance

Costume Deposit of 550.00 Due November 1

Costume difference due Feb 15 (credits will be made if cost of costumes under deposit amount)

6 Week Sessions/Camps

Cost TBA when advertised

Adult Classes

Will run in 6-10 week sessions throughout the year

No registration fee

Cost TBA when Advertised

Discounts:

20% family discount applied on the lower tuition of additional family members

5% discount if annual tuition is paid in full by September 15th (not applicable to short-term session or adult classes)

Both discounts will apply if multiple students in a family pay annual tuition

Cancellation Policy:

There will be a \$55.00 cancellation fee if stopping all classes at Steps after October 15, 2023.
Costume fee will be reimbursed only if costume has not been ordered.

No cancellation fee will be charged if cancellation is due to an approved medical reasons or injury.

Fee may be waved at discretion of Director.

Late Payment policy:

A late payment fee of 10% of the balance owing will be added to your account for unpaid balances after 30 days.

If balance remains unpaid after 60 days, the dancer will be removed from classes.

NSF fee for cheques is \$45.00

**** Late Fees do not apply if arrangements have been made with Steps Dance Centre and/or informing Steps of funding pending from programs such as Jumpstart****

- ❖ You will receive an email receipt each month, once your payment has been processed
 - ❖ Overdue statements will be sent out via email
- ❖ Monthly tuition payments through Jackrabbit are automatically processed on the 1st of each month. Other payment options need to be made within the first week of each month. Please refer to our payment methods on the tuition page.
- ❖ Our late fees are not assessed until after 30 days of an unpaid balance – we feel this is very fair, and lenient. If a balance is unpaid for 60 days or more, we will ask that your dancer not return to classes until the account is brought up to date.
 - ❖ Credits are not given for classes missed due to illness, travel, etc.
- ❖ If we cancel classes for any reason, we will schedule make up classes at a later date.
- ❖ The quality of our facility and faculty depends upon a system of mutual respect and cooperation. We understand that anyone may make a late payment from time to time, but please be respectful of our late fee policy and when applicable, graciously include your late fee in your next payment.



Jackrabbit Dance

Jackrabbit is the online system we use for all of our classes and dancers at Steps.

Parents each create a Jackrabbit account when you register, which you can access at any time. Within your account you can do things such as:

- enroll your dancer in classes or camps
- see your dancer's schedule
- change your contact information
- update your payment information
- check your current balance
- pay any outstanding fees
- email your dancer's instructor
- and more!

Most studio communication is done via email, which we send through Jackrabbit Dance. We also take advantage of a free app called Band, explained below!



The Band app is a free app for all users, which we use to share upcoming information, photos, and videos! It can also be a quick way to ask a question about something, and get an answer from either another parent, or the instructor.

Each class at Steps will have their own private Band group, which you will receive an invitation for closer to September. Only other parents/guardians of dancers in that class will be in the group, as well as your dancer's instructor.

As the dancers start learning their class dance, we will also share videos, so they can practice at home!

A light gray silhouette of a ballerina in a dynamic, expressive pose. She is standing on her right leg, with her left leg extended horizontally to the right. Her arms are raised, with the right arm reaching towards the top left and the left arm reaching towards the top right. Her head is tilted back, and her expression is joyful. The text is overlaid on the center of her body.

We are so
excited to
dance with you!

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