



# McLean County Dance Association

## 2023-2024 Fall/Spring Class Schedule



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| CLASS                                   | DESCRIPTION/PREREQUISITES                                                                                                    | DAY            | TIME                                        | TEACHER                                                    | ROOM        |
|-----------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|---------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Dance with Me Workshops                 | <i>For our youngest dancers</i><br>Ages 2 - 4 with an adult: First workshop Sept. 9, 16, 23 (\$42)                           | SAT            | 10:00 - 10:30                               | Lesley Sutton                                              | B           |
| Pre-Ballet/Tiny Tap<br>Kinder-Ballet    | Ages 3 - 5<br>Age 5 & in kindergarten                                                                                        | M<br>M         | 4:00 - 4:45<br>4:45 - 5:30                  | Heather Degenhart<br>Heather Degenhart                     | A<br>A      |
| Ballet I<br>Ballet II/III               | Ages 6 - 8<br>Completion of Ballet I or by instructor                                                                        | M<br>M         | 6:00 - 7:00<br>6:00 - 7:00                  | Heather Degenhart<br>Jessica Davis                         | A<br>B      |
| Ballet IV<br>Pointe I                   | Completion of Ballet III or by instructor<br>By instructor                                                                   | TH<br>TH       | 6:15 - 7:45<br>7:45 - 8:15                  | Greg Merriman<br>Greg Merriman                             | A<br>A      |
| Ballet V<br>Pointe II                   | By instructor<br>By instructor                                                                                               | T<br>T         | 7:00 - 8:30<br>8:30 - 9:00                  | Greg Merriman<br>Greg Merriman                             | A<br>A      |
| Adult Ballet<br>Adult Ballet            | Ballet experience required<br>Ballet experience required                                                                     | T<br>W         | 6:00 - 7:00<br>5:30 - 6:30                  | Greg Merriman<br>Alivia Byers                              | A<br>A      |
| Beginning Adult Ballet<br>Workshops     | First fall workshop Aug. 28, Sept. 11, 25 (\$48)                                                                             | M              | 5:15 - 6:00                                 | Jessica Davis                                              | B           |
| Bloomington Ballet                      | Ballet community outreach performing company<br><i>Open to MCDA Ballet IV &amp; V students</i>                               | W              | 6:30 - 8:00                                 | Alivia Byers                                               | A           |
| Tap I<br>Tap II<br>Tap III              | Ages 5 - 8; beginning/intermediate<br>Ages 7 & up; intermediate<br>Ages 10 & up; intermediate/advanced                       | M<br>TH<br>SAT | 5:30 - 6:00<br>5:00 - 5:30<br>10:30 - 11:00 | Heather Degenhart<br>Jessica Riss-Waltrip<br>Lesley Sutton | A<br>A<br>B |
| Beginning Adult Tap<br>Adult Tap        | Beginning; no experience required<br>Intermediate/Advanced                                                                   | T<br>T         | 4:45 - 5:15<br>5:15 - 6:00                  | Jessica Riss-Waltrip<br>Jessica Riss-Waltrip               | B<br>B      |
| Musical Theatre I<br>Musical Theatre II | Ages 8 - 11; no experience required<br>Ages 12 & up or by instructor; no experience required                                 | W<br>TH        | 5:30 - 6:15<br>4:45 - 5:30                  | Morgan Rondinelli<br>Morgan Rondinelli                     | B<br>B      |
| Adult Musical Theatre Workshops         | To be scheduled                                                                                                              |                |                                             | Morgan Rondinelli                                          | B           |
| Jazz/Hip Hop<br>Adult Jazz/Contemporary | Ages 6 - 11; beginning/intermediate<br>Adults/Teens; intermediate                                                            | TH<br>TH       | 5:30 - 6:15<br>6:15 - 7:00                  | Jessica Riss-Waltrip<br>Jessica Riss-Waltrip               | A<br>B      |
| Lyrical                                 | Ages 12 & up; advanced jazz and/or ballet experience required<br><i>Lyrical emphasis is on choreography &amp; musicality</i> | M              | 7:00 - 7:45                                 | Jessica Davis                                              | B           |
|                                         | Watch for news on more MCDA workshops & events coming in 2023/24!                                                            |                |                                             |                                                            |             |

### MCDA 2023 - 2024 Calendar

|                      |                                           |
|----------------------|-------------------------------------------|
| First day of classes | Mon., August 28                           |
| Labor Day (no class) | Mon., September 4                         |
| Thanksgiving Break   | Tue., November 21 - Sat., November 25     |
| Holiday Break        | Mon., December 18 - Fri., January 5, 2024 |
| Classes resume       | Sat., January 6                           |
| Winter Showcase      | Sun., February 4                          |
| Spring Break         | Sat., March 23 - Fri., March 29           |
| Spring Gala Recital  | TBD                                       |



Fee schedule on back

### 3 ways to register

#1 Join us for Registration Day on Saturday, August 12, 10 a.m. - noon at our studios.

#2 Submit registration form, waiver, 1st quarter fees, & registration fee to MCDA.

#3 Email us at mcleancodance@gmail.com with your registration info & submit payment to our office before the start of classes.

Cash or checks payable to MCDA accepted

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Registration Form 2023-2024

E B P W (for office use only)

Return with your payment to: McLean County Dance Association, 1316 E. Empire, Suite C, Bloomington, IL 61701

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
(street address) (City) (Zip)

Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Class: \_\_\_\_\_ Day/Time \_\_\_\_\_

**\$25 registration fee for all students**

Class: \_\_\_\_\_ Day/Time \_\_\_\_\_

Class: \_\_\_\_\_ Day/Time \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_ New to MCDA? How did you hear about us? \_\_\_\_\_

A signed waiver of liability must be on file before participating in classes. Waivers at mcleancountydance.org. No refunds or credits for missed or dropped classes

## 2023/2024 Fee Schedule

1st quarter: Aug. 28 - Oct. 22  
2nd quarter: Oct. 23 - Jan. 14

3rd quarter: Jan. 15 - March 10  
4th quarter: March 11 - May 17

Fees are due at registration and prior to the start of each quarter.

**Non-refundable Gala participation fee: \$70 per class (due with 3rd quarter fees)**

**2023/2024 Registration Fee: \$25 per student**

| Class length | Fees per class due quarterly |                                |
|--------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------|
|              | Regular price (one class)    | Discounted (3 or more classes) |
| 30 minutes   | \$109                        | \$ 98                          |
| 45 minutes   | \$122                        | \$110                          |
| 1 hour       | \$133                        | \$120                          |
| 90 minutes   | \$160                        | \$144                          |

**Discount Policy**

1 class: full price  
2 classes: both full price  
**3 + classes: Discount on all classes**  
Discounts apply to individual students.  
No family discounts  
**Discounts do not apply to workshops.**

*MCDA classes run August - May and are divided into four quarters for billing. Fees are due prior to the beginning of each quarter. See fee schedule for quarterly dates.*

*Current quarterly fees will be prorated only if a student registers after the second week of a quarter.*

*MCDA reserves the right to cancel any class due to low enrollment.*

*No refunds or credits due to missed or dropped classes*

*Classes canceled due to weather will not be rescheduled.*

**McLean County Dance Association is a not-for-profit organization managed by the MCDA Board of Directors. Scholarships may be available based upon financial need. Contact MCDA for information.**

### McLean County Dance Association Faculty

**Alivia Byers** *Director, Bloomington Ballet*

Ms. Byers specializes in ballet and pointe and also has years of dance experience in other styles. She has attended dance schools and workshops in the Central Illinois area and has performed in various pieces, including some she choreographed. She is also a dance instructor in Morton.

*Ballet*

**Heather Degenhart**

Ms. Degenhart holds a BS in Arts Administration with Dance Concentration from Butler University. She has danced professionally with the Georgia Ballet. Heather is an experienced teacher in pre-ballet, ballet, and tap.

*Ballet, Tap*

**Jessica Davis**

Ms. Davis graduated from the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign in secondary chemistry and math education. She also holds a master's degree in Business Analytics from the University of Notre Dame. She studied ballet, performed in musical theatre, and choreographed while growing up in Bloomington/Normal and while in college. She has performed in Community Players musicals and was a member of various adult dance companies at MCDA.

*Ballet, Lyrical*

**Greg Merriman**

Mr. Merriman is a graduate of Texas Christian University with a BFA in Classical Ballet. He studied with the Houston Ballet Academy and was a company member of Joffrey II, Houston Ballet, Fort Worth Ballet, and Fort Worth Opera Ballet. He has completed his 29th season as resident choreographer of "The Nutcracker" for the Barrington Youth Ballet and is a summer faculty member at the Tennessee Governor's School for the Arts. Greg is an Instructional Assistant Professor of Dance at ISU.

*Ballet, Pointe*

**Morgan Rondinelli**

Ms. Rondinelli is excited to share her love of musical theatre and tap with MCDA. She has over 15 years of dance training, including with Daryl Jarvis Dance studio, Ballet Theatre of Toledo, Ann Arbor Ballet Theatre, and MCDA. She has performed in several shows with Community Players Theatre, including Cinderella, Newsies, Matilda, Big Fish, and Mamma Mia. She previously choreographed Elf the Musical.

*Musical Theatre, Tap*

**Lesley Sutton**

Ms. Sutton holds a BS from Southern Illinois University, where she danced with the Saluki Shakers, Southern Illinois Repertory Dance Theatre, and Southern Illinois Ballet. She has been teaching ballet, tap and jazz since 2001.

*Tap, Dance with Me*

**Jessica Riss-Waltrip**

Ms. Riss-Waltrip has a degree in Dance from ISU, where she is the coach of the Redline Express. She teaches dance at Illinois Wesleyan University and enjoys choreographing for the IWU Department of Music Theatre. Jessica has choreographed for Orchesis Intercity Dance, Heartland Community Education, Illinois State Dance Theatre, IWU Dance Concerts, Edge Dancers, Cohesion, and many other local community organizations.

*Jazz, Hip Hop, Contemporary, Tap*

*The art of dance taught by dance professionals*

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