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## WHERE THE JOY OF DANCE BECOMES THE BEAUTY OF ART

Since TYBC was formed in 2010, it has represented a wonderful opportunity for area children to receive a world class level of ballet training. The method of classical ballet taught at our school is based on the CPYB curriculum, famous for developing over 300 professional ballet dancers, many of whom are currently principal dancers in major companies worldwide. TYBC's founder, Jennifer Dulin, was a student of Marcia Weary, and worked her way through the CPYB curriculum first as a dancer, then as an assistant instructor. She began TYBC in order to share her knowledge with the next generation of ballet dancers.

Our TYBC team of teachers bring decades of professional and teaching expertise to the school. It is not uncommon for our students to be accepted into high profile summer intensives such as ABT, Bolshoi Ballet, Joffrey NYC, Joffrey San Antonio, Ballet Magnificat! and others. Our standards are high; our approach - caring and straightforward.

At TYBC, we believe in starting students with proper technique and an understanding of how their bodies and muscles move. As they progress through our level program, their understanding deepens into a great love of the art of classical ballet. Our goal is not only to produce excellent dancers with a future, but for every student to benefit from their dance studies by becoming focused, self-disciplined, confident adults.

### **THE STUDIO:**

Just minutes from McKinney's wonderful downtown area, the school has two studios - the larger Studio A, and the smaller Studio B. Each studio is equipped with sprung wood floors, built-in barres and two walls of mirrors.

### **FACULTY:**

Rarely does such a young ballet school have such a dedicated core of professional teachers. Mrs. Dulin has chosen them for their high moral character and dedication to teaching at the highest level. Our teachers are devoted to giving every student the instruction needed to keep them strong and progressing well.

### **PLACEMENT:**

Because our curriculum is very thorough in the early years of training, students coming from other schools may find they are initially placed lower than they might expect for their years of training. This is to make certain that their training is as thorough as it needs to be to optimize their progress. Every decision is based on the potential your child exhibits in the classroom, and is made with their best interest in mind. A free placement class will be offered during the July summer intensive, and again in August before the Fall semester begins.

### **PRICING:**

Our prices are intentionally low, and our policies allow those who want to reach for a professional career to do so without hesitation. Our Accelerated Program makes it possible for students to receive many hours of instruction even within the class schedule of a small studio, and for an extremely affordable amount of money. Tuition assistance is awarded to those who qualify for need-based scholarship, and exhibit the potential and drive to invest themselves fully in the opportunity to study ballet. Pricing policies are listed in full on the tuition page.

## PROGRAMS AND CLASSES

### **PRE-BALLET PROGRAM**

Our littlest dancers are nurtured along in classes specially designed to meet their needs and provide them with the very first foundational elements of ballet training, classroom etiquette, and artistry.

**Mommy and Me - Ages 18 mo. to 3 yrs. - 1 class per week - 30 min. ea.**

**Creative Movement - Ages 2 1/2 to 4 yrs. - 1 class per week - 45 min. ea.**

**Pink Level - Ages 4 to 6 yrs. - 1 or 2 classes per week - 45 min. ea.**

### **LEVEL PROGRAM**

The level program is the foundation of our classical ballet program. As students work through the ballet levels from Pink to White, their progress is marked by the color of ribbon in their hair. Progress is not measured by age, or number of years of training, but by skill level. The students love getting a new ribbon color, and are highly motivated by the fact that it can happen at any time.

We require attendance at a minimum number of classes for every level. These minimums are to ensure that the progress of the class is steady and safe, and that all students are progressing adequately. Ballet is an extremely physical activity with no short cuts to success. It takes time and repetition to build ballet muscles correctly, and failure to do so may result in injury. The director retains the authority to move your child to a lower level should they miss too many classes and fall behind.

Level:	Minimum:	Length:
<b>Pink Level or Pink Level plus</b>	<b>1 or 2 classes per week</b>	<b>45 min.</b>
<b>Black Level or Black Level plus</b>	<b>1 or 2 classes per week</b>	<b>1 hr.</b>
<b>Silver Level or Silver Level plus</b>	<b>2 or 3 classes per week</b>	<b>1 hr.</b>
<b>Gold Level or Gold Level plus</b>	<b>2 or 3 classes per week</b>	<b>1:15 hr.</b>
<b>Rose 1 or Rose 1 plus</b>	<b>3 or 4 classes per week</b>	<b>1:30 hr.</b>
<b>Rose 2 or Rose 2 plus</b>	<b>4 or 5 classes per week</b>	<b>1:30 hr.</b>
<b>Navy or Navy plus</b>	<b>5 or 6 classes per week</b>	<b>1:30 hr.</b>
<b>Royal or Royal plus</b>	<b>6 or 7 classes per week</b>	<b>1:30 hr.</b>
<b>Light Blue</b>	<b>7 + classes per week</b>	<b>2:00 hr.</b>
<b>Lavender</b>	<b>9 + classes per week</b>	<b>2:00 hr.</b>
<b>White</b>	<b>12 - 15 classes per week</b>	<b>2:00 hr.</b>

**Required attendance for Royal Blue and up, Accelerated Program, and YBT Company members:**

<b>Pas de Deux</b>	<b>1 class per week</b>	<b>1 hr.</b>
<b>All master classes or workshops</b>	<b>varying times, dates, lengths</b>	

### **BOYS/MENS PROGRAM**

Boys and young men in the TYBC Level program are expected to meet the minimums of their level, including boy's or men's class and Pas de Deux. Our boys and men are expected to help out around the studio with small tasks as needed (such as changing water bottles in the cooler, moving barres, etc.) as a show of gratitude for their generous tuition discount. Boys or young men wishing to enter the accelerated program are welcome to do so.

<b>Boy's Class</b>	<b>1 class per week</b>	<b>1:15 hr.</b>
<b>Men's Class</b>	<b>1 class per week</b>	<b>1:30 hr.</b>
<b>Pas de Deux</b>	<b>1 class per week</b>	<b>1 hr.</b>

## **ACCELERATED PROGRAM**

For students who wish to become professional dancers, many hours of training are necessary. Entering the Accelerated Program is a commitment to dance your dream into reality. It is for only the most dedicated and determined students who exhibit the potential to succeed. Students in the accelerated program are expected to meet with Mrs. Dulin to set up a program list, attend every class on their program list, must fill out a permission slip for planned absences and illness absences must be accompanied by a doctor's note. Accelerated program students are expected to make up every class missed. The hours expected of students are as follows.

Age 9 - 11	11 classes per week
Age 11 - 13	15 classes per week
Age 14 - 18	20 classes per week

**Accelerated students are expected to work with diligence and absolute focus in every class.**

## **OPEN PROGRAM**

Our conservative approach to performance is often challenged by meeting the needs of the dancers to experience and learn the muscle coordination for all types of movement. Today's dancers are expected to be able to do it all. We give our dancers the freedom to choose any open program classes they want to take, with the knowledge that their choices may not be adequate for advancing a career. TYBC's open program is also open to anyone who wants to dance for fun, exercise, or weight control. We have Adult classes (21 and up) and children's classes are available. All open program classes are 1 hour long.

**Beginner Tap**

**Intermediate Tap**

**Advanced Tap**

**Adult Tap**

**Beginner Theatre Jazz**

**Advanced Theatre Jazz**

**Beginning Contemporary**

**Intermediate Contemporary**

**Advanced Contemporary**

**Adult Ballet**

## **STEP BY STEP PROCESS FOR ENROLLING**

**STEP ONE:** Drop by to take a placement class or contact Mrs. Dulin ([director@texasyouthballet.com](mailto:director@texasyouthballet.com)) to set up a placement evaluation.

**STEP TWO:** Pick up forms or download them from the website at <http://www.texasyouthballet.com> Don't forget to read through the policies guide.

**STEP THREE:** Choose the appropriate classes and fill out registration, liability and photographic waiver forms. Fill out Nutcracker permission form to participate in Krakatuk: A Nutcracker Prequel in December.

**STEP FOUR:** Pay registration fee, August tuition or Semester/Yearly payment, performance fee. (Check email and website for registration specials.)

**WELCOME TO TYBC!**