

Tilley's Dance Academy

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DANCE

Registration and Open House

Classes will begin Tuesday, September 5th and cover a nine month period. For your convenience, Tilley's has a dance apparel shop. We have shoe fittings for those needing shoes. Shoes must be paid for when ordering. We also offer a special registration dance apparel package available during registration.

Parent Portal

If you signed up online, you should have set up a login with your email and password. If you did not register online, we will set you up with a login when you register. This is what you will use to access your Parent Portal each time. You can access the portal via our website, or download the free DSP Portal app for easier access. This is where you can make payments, access class videos and see important announcements and updates.

Registration Fee

To secure placement in a class, ALL students must pay a \$35 registration fee (non-refundable). (Siblings pay \$25) This must be paid when you register for classes.

History

Tilley's Dance Academy was founded in 1987 by Denise Tilley LeVan and has since grown to be Statesville's #1 performing dance studio. It offers the most profound and professional facility in which to experience the finest training in dance and choreography.

Mission

Self-confidence and motivation are the keys to success. We teach our students that they have the potential to fulfill their dreams, and that they can do great and marvelous things if they use their minds and bodies. We are a big part of our student's lives during a formative stage in their development. Our future is so important and children will always be worth whatever it takes to help them succeed.

Curriculum & Dress Code

Mommy & Me. For students age 18months - 3 years includes instruction in Creative Movement. Students need to wear leotards and white ballet shoes.

Shining Stars, Rising Stars & Twinkle Toes Preschool Classes: For students 3, 4 and 5 years of age include instruction in creative movement, ballet, tap, and acrobatic arts. Students need to wear leotards, tights, white ballet shoes & black tap shoes.

Advanced Kinder: For students 4 and 5 years of age with at least one year prior dance experience. (Students are hand selected for this class) Includes instruction in ballet, tap, jazz and acrobatic arts. Students need to wear leotards, tights or leggings & fitted tops, tan jazz & tan tap shoes.

Combination Classes. For students age 6 and up include instruction in ballet, tap, and jazz. 6-8 year olds need to wear leotards, tights or leggings & fitted tops, tan jazz shoes and tan tap shoes. Students 9 and up will need fitted tops and leggings, black jazz shoes and black tap shoes.

<u>Hip-Hop classes.</u> For students in Kindergarten—12th grade includes instruction in the latest hip-hop moves. We use only edited music and age appropriate dances. Students need to wear t-shirts with sweatpants, leggings or biker shorts and CLEAN tennis shoes.

<u>Lyrical Classes.</u> For students in 2nd—12th grade includes instruction in styles of contemporary, modern & lyrical. Students need to wear leotards with tights or leggings.

Adult classes. We offer a combination tap and jazz class and also a hip hop class. Students need to wear athletic type clothing. Tennis shoes for hip hop. Black jazz and black tap shoes for combination class.

Ballet Technique: For students age 6 & up, includes barre, across the floor instruction and proper ballet techniques. Students need to wear black leotards, pink tights, pink ballet shoes & hair in a secure bun.

<u>Clogging:</u> For students age 7 & up, includes instruction in clogging technique. Students should wear fitted tops with leggings or shorts. Tap shoes or White Clogging shoes.

Performing Dance Company Classes:

These Dance Companies are selected by auditions.

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Junior Dance Company	5th-8th Grade
Senior Dance Company	8th-12th Grade
Sr. Hip-Hop Crew	8th-12th Grade
Jr. Hip Hop Crew	2nd-7th Grade
Sr. Lyrical Company	8th - 12th Grade
Jr. Lyrical Company	

^{*}TDA soley determines class level and placement of student. Evaluations are ongoing; dancers may be moved to proper level(s) at any time during the dance season.*

Studio Policies

Adults and children 18 months and older will be eligible for dance classes. All students are placed accordingly to each child's age, level of dance and experience.

No Food: No eating, drinking, chewing gum, or candy in the studio. Water bottles only allowed.

Hair: All students are required to come to class with their hair pulled back securely out of the face. (Ponytail or buns are best)

<u>Cell Phones:</u> No calls or texting allowed in class. Cell phones should be silenced and left in your bag or placed in designated basket.

<u>Observation:</u> Parents and visitors will not be admitted in the classroom. In addition to the studio policies, rules, and regulations, we ask that there be NO PARENTAL INTERRUPTIONS BEFORE, DURING, OR BETWEEN CLASSES. Only students and teachers are to be in studio classrooms. Our waiting area remains closed, all parents need to drop off in front and pick up at the back of the building. If you would like to park and wait, please park on the concrete parking pad.

<u>Attendance</u>: Good attendance is imperative, as absences and tardiness can hold back an entire class, and the studio cannot jeopardize its responsibilities to the rest of the class for one student. Please make EVERY effort to have your child attend EVERY class. No refund, deduction, or credit for missed classes.

<u>Costumes:</u> It is our studio policy that all accounts be PAID IN FULL for the current dance season before costumes can be taken home. This will help ensure that accounts are brought to zero balance before recital.

<u>Tuition:</u> Monthly tuition is due the first lesson of each month. If payment is not received by the 10th, a \$25 late fee will be added and enforced on all past due accounts. Some months will have 5 lessons and you are not charged extra. Therefore, months with 3 lessons balance out the 5-week months throughout the year. Your tuition cannot be more than 2 months behind at any given time. We also offer automatic monthly payments with a credit or debit card.

Dance Co. Members: You will have the option to pay the year in full before classes start OR you will be set up on automatic monthly payments. If a payment is rejected for any reason, there will be a \$30 service charge.

2023-2024 Fee Schedule

<u>Fee</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Due</u>
Registration Fee	\$35	At time of Registration
Costume Fee with Tights	\$100-Size Lg. Child to Adult \$90-XS-Md. Child	November 1st, 2023
Pointe Costume Fee with Tights	\$115 - Child \$125 - Adult	November 1st, 2023
Recital Fee *Includes 1 Program & 1 digital down- load of the recital.	\$50 per Family	April 1st, 2024
Service charge (automatic payments)	\$30.00	Will be applied if payment is rejected for ANY reason.
Tuition Late Fee	\$25.00	

There will be a \$30.00 service charge on <u>ALL</u> returned checks.

Discounts for families with more than one child enrolled and for more than one class per week.

Discounts for yearly payments!

You are responsible for payment of tuition for your child's classes whether or not your child attends class!

See Tuition Scale for full cost breakdown

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Studio Closings	
September 4th—Labor Day	
October 31st—Halloween	
November 22nd-24th—Thanksgiving Break	
December 20th-January 2nd—Christmas Break	
Classes will resume on January 3rd	
March 4th—Studio Closed	
April 7th-10th—Easter Break	
May 29th—Memorial Day	

For inclement weather, we will follow the same closing as the Iredell-Statesville School System. Please note above for Holiday closings. We will allow for one snow day. If more than one snow day is missed, then we will make the class up.

WE DO NOT CLOSE FOR TEACHER WORKDAYS!

Dance Company Christmas Show

Rehearsal: Friday, December 1st, 5:00pm

Show: Sunday, December 3rd, 2:00pm

RECITAL

Students will be featured in our annual recital in June. You must be paid up for the year before costumes may be taken home. This insures us that all bills are paid before ending our year. Costume alterations will be the responsibility of the parent or student. If students do not plan to participate in the annual recital, the director must be notified by December.

2024 Rehearsal	2024 Recital
Saturday Rehearsal: Friday, May 31st, 4:00-6:00pm.	Saturday, June 1st 4:00pm
Sunday Rehearsal: Friday, May 31st, 6:30-8:00pm.	Sunday, June 2nd 2:00pm

Faculty

Denise Tilley LeVan

- 41 Years Teaching Experience
- Training Preschool thru Professional levels
- 3 Time American Dance Achievement Award, 3 Time Director's Club Award, 8 Time Top Teacher Award
- National Dance Championship Teacher for 32 Years
- Certification from Professional Dance Teacher Association
- Certifications from Dance Makers Inc. & Dance Teacher Connection & Tremaine Dance Company
- 2nd Place Runner Up People's Choice Award Dancing with the Iredell Stars

Amy Davidson Brookshire

- 28 Years Teaching Experience
- Macy's Parade Dancer, Cruise Performer & Theme Park Performer
- Winner of "Crowd Pleaser Award" 2018 & 2019
- 6 Time Top Teacher Award, Certifications from Dance Makers Inc. & Dance Teacher Connection
- National Dance Championship Teacher for 20 Years
- 1st Place Runner Up Judges Choice Dancing with the Iredell Stars
- 1st Place National DanceMakers, Inc. & Showstopper Overall Winner

Lauren Dixon

- Graduate of the University of North Carolina at Charlotte with a degree in Dance with a concentration in Performance, Choreography, and Theory
- Performer at the Joyce Theatre in NYC and the Knight Theatre in Charlotte doing restaged work of the Martha Graham Dance Company
- Performed in Christal Brown's work and the Tony Award winner George Faison's Suite Otis
- Dancer in rapper Remi's music video for his single "Smile"
- President of a dance organization at UNCC called Range of Motion
- Assisted Professor Kim Jones from UNCC in restaging a work called "Mauri" at many schools and companies
- Certification from Dance Teacher Connection

Victoria Tavares

- 16 years of dance experience
- 3 years Assistant Teacher experience
- Dance model for multiple magazines (Lebos, Dance Inc., ADC)
- Showstopper Dancer of America Model
- Carolina Dogwood Ambassador-performing across the state of NC
- 8th Annual Robinette Tilley "Dance for Me" Scholarship winner

Jessica Hedrick

- 10 Years Teaching Experience
- America's Clogging Hall of Fame team 1994
- 2015 & 2019 America's Clogging Hall of Fame Overall Grand Champion Duo/Duet Winner
- 7 Time Overall Choreography Award winner