

PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS

Dance Together & First Steps

Pre-school programs for age 2 ½ to 4 ½ are designed specifically for the young child to experience dance in a joyful and playful atmosphere guided by a professional teacher. The lesson incorporates songs, stories, rhymes, rhythms and riddles as the child is introduced to gross motor activities, body awareness exercises and traveling steps such as hops, leaps, jumps, marching and much more. Creative activity is included in the lesson to nurture their imaginative spirit. First Steps program includes a short session of tap dance to **develop** musicality.

Second Steps

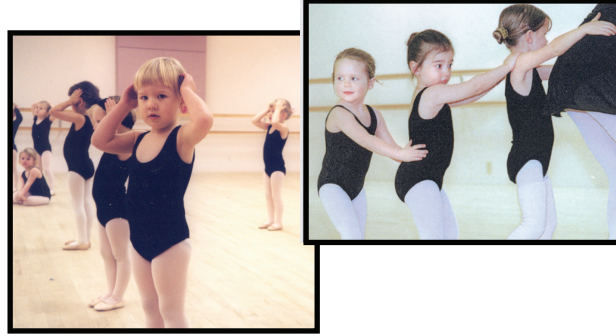
This program for age 4 ½ to 6 and encourages the kindergarten child to develop good posture and proper alignment. To encourage coordination and musicality traveling steps are taught such as gallops, skips, chasses and waltz steps. Children are introduced to the basic ballet positions and exercises as they begin to learn the ballet vocabulary. Learning and practicing class-room etiquette is encouraged. The class includes a short session of tap dance to further **develop** musicality.

Children explore the magical world of dance in a creative teaching approach learning basic ballet positions and exercises such as pliers, tendus, piques, temps levees, petits jetes, skips, leaps and much more too varying patterns of direction and rhythms. The lesson includes exploration of their creativity through interpretative dance and improvisation to music.

The child blossoms as they attain poise, balance and stamina refining their dance skills all the while developing a confident self-image through praise and encouragement. The lesson concludes with a 20 minute period of tap dance to further develop musicality and coordination.

Academy Preparation

This program introduces the child to ballet technique and includes exercises to develop strength, flexibility, coordination and musicality. Children learn age-appropriate ballet exercises, dance steps, positions of the feet and ballet vocabulary as outlined by ATB® National Training Curriculum.



Ballet

Children take pleasure and delight in dance as they are introduced to ballet exercises in a more formal atmosphere. The lessons are carefully prepared to provide them with solid and safe foundations to build technique, proficiency, skill and artistry. The child learns ballet exercises including positions of the feet, arms and basic body directions and exercises and steps such as; pliers, tendus, grands battements, chassés, gallops, polka, spring pointes and much more. Emphasis is placed on instilling a sense of pride in each and every child resulting in improved posture, physical awareness, strength, balance, quality of movement and musicality.

Celebrations

- * Perfect Attendance Award
- * Certificates of Achievement & Completion
- * Performance/Presentation of a childrens based story

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Welcome to Les Petits Danseurs.

This unique and magical place for budding ballerinas and cavaliers is dedicated to the teaching of joyous dance to enrich the lives of the young dancer age 2 ½ to 7.

Children blossom as they learn under the guidance of experienced professional teachers that are committed to fostering the child's; desire for knowledge, enthusiasm for learning, imagination and creative spirit.

Teaching, directing and choreographing dance for children over the past thirty years remains to be my passion and is shared by our dedicated faculty.

As Huntington Center for Performing Arts embarks in a new direction for the young dancer it is our aspiration to inspire each and every child to experience dance in a way they will cherish for years to come.

Carolyn Zettel-Augustyn
Director, Les Petits Danseurs

Mission

It is the school's mission to inspire, nurture and provide an enriching experience to each and every child through a carefully constructed and imaginative age-appropriate curriculum in a creatively charged and positive learning environment. Additionally, it is our commitment to prepare the child for the further study of dance within an atmosphere that encourages the appreciation of dance.

Programs

Dance Together

- for children age 2 ½ to 3 ½

First Steps

- for children 3 ½ to 4 ½

Second Steps

- for children 4 ½ to 6
(entering full-time kindergarten)

Academy Preparation

- for children 6 to 7
(entering 1st & 2nd grade)

The child in dance develops greater;

Gross & Fine Motor Skills

Language Skills

Independence

Spatial & Body Awareness

Social & Etiquette Skills

Rhythm & Musicality

Thinking Capabilities

Assimilation of Movements

Balance

Poise

Stamina

Confidence

Coordination

Focus



Les Petits Danseurs, a dance school for children under the auspices of Huntington Center for Performing Arts is proud to include the AMERICAN BALLET THEATRE® National Training Curriculum, a break-through 8 level program that combines high quality artistic training with the basics of dancer health and child development. The ABT® National Training Curriculum consists of a comprehensive set of age-appropriate, outcome-based guidelines to provide the highest quality training to dance students of all ages and skill levels. Primary through Level 3 will be taught by ABT® Certified Teacher, CAROLYN ZETTEL, who has successfully completed the ABT® Teacher Training Intensive in Primary through Level 3 of the ABT® National Training Curriculum.

