



41st Anniversary Season

**2021-2022**

# Programming Guide

# From your child's first steps... to their graduation performance.

Melody Lane Dance Music & Drama Academy (MLA) has built a reputation for excellence in performing arts instruction! MLA has a class for everyone! We specialize in beginners of all ages and offer training through advanced levels. Our classes are taught by caring, skilled teachers in a positive environment. We delight in your child's progress and performances! Our costumes and choreography are always age appropriate and your child's safety and wellness has always been our highest priority. Welcome to MLA!

*"We don't teach kids to make great dancers,  
we teach dance to make great kids!"*

*—Misty Lown*



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**At MLA we aim to help our performers achieve excellence in PERFORMING ARTS & LIFE. That is our More Than Just Great Dancing!® philosophy and at this time in history, that's more important than ever before!**

**Performing Arts meets imperative student needs** for community, socialization, friendship, mentors, physical activity, and more! The benefits of this activities include, but are not limited to: intellectual, academic, social-emotional, and physical support.

At MLA, the **health and safety** of our performers, staff, guests, and communities have always been our highest priority; a commitment that has only been heightened at this time. That's why we have used local guidelines and our national Safer Studio™ standard

As you look at our calendar, you'll note that we have included inter-sessional breaks to allow for greater programming flexibility should that be needed this year. Please note that class times and offerings may shift as things progress. We are planning on concluding our season with a Showcase in June (date based on availability).

**So, whether you are taking your first class or preparing for your senior year, we say, "Welcome Home!" At MLA, you are family.**

#### **CELEBRATING OUR 41st SEASON!**

- ☆ Winter Cookie Social in December
- ☆ Offering classes 5 days a week AM/PM!
- ☆ NEW Acro & Flexibility class offering!
- ☆ NEW Jr. Dancers Company! (audition based)
- ☆ Musical Theatre TWO NIGHTS a week!
- ☆ NEW Beginning Tap!
- ☆ NEW Beginning Jazz!
- ☆ Stocked Performance wear in our Sparkle Store!
- ☆ And. more!



**To see a full class listing, and to register, visit:**  
**[melodylaneacademy.com](http://melodylaneacademy.com)**

## MLA IS A SAFER STUDIO™

MLA focuses on a hierarchy of measures to create a Safer Studio™ environment beginning with requiring students and staff who are ill to stay home, followed by frequent hand cleaning and good hygiene practices, amplified cleaning, and making curricular and facility adaptations to minimizing contact and mingling.



*Meet our  
Owner  
& Artistic  
Director*

**Sarah  
Marquis**



In 2018, MLA welcomed Sarah Marquis as artistic director and studio owner. A longtime member of the Melody Lane family, Sarah attended the University of Idaho, earning a Bachelor of Science in Dance. She is passionate about community service and teaching life skills through the arts. Through her work with the Rising Stars Association, a 501(c)3 nonprofit, MLA is able to provide thousands of dollars worth of scholarships to performers every year. The studio is a second home to so many MLA students and she is proud to serve generations of MLA performers and welcome new members to the family each season.

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### **MLA is Youth Protection Advocates in Dance® Certified!**

- ☆ Background checked and CPR certified teachers
- ☆ Safer Studio™ Policy
- ☆ Teacher training & proven curriculum
- ☆ A focus on safety & wellness for every student
- ☆ Secured facilities
- ☆ Viewing windows
- ☆ Professional sprung floors
- ☆ Social media safety practices



# PRE-DANCE PROGRAM

MLA's pre-dance classes are designed to enhance gross motor coordination, listening skills, musicality and nurture imagination. These classes are Guardian and Tot style where a grown up attends class with their performer. Each class includes developmentally appropriate instruction through the use of music and dance. Dancers have onstage performance opportunities in the Winter Cookie Social (select classes) in December and the annual Spring Showcase in June (Dates TBA).



## AGES WALKING TO 2

CLASS	DAY	TIME
Broadway Babies	Mondays	5:00-5:30

The first level in our Pre-Dance series, allows guardians and their little ones to bond over music and movement in a creative and stimulating environment. Broadway Babies teaches listening skills, taking turns, important socialization, and is designed to enhance the development of gross motor skills.  
(leads into Debut Dancers)

## AGE 2

CLASS	DAY	TIME
Debut Dancers	Mondays	5:00-5:30

The second level in our Pre-Dance series provides 2 yr olds a class with a guardian observing where dancers can grow in their independence. Dancers will be challenged in new ways physically and begin learning the important foundations of classroom etiquette.  
(leads into Beginning Creative Movement)

TUITION  
30 MINUTES

**\$47**

Per monthly  
installment

# DANCE EXPLORERS PROGRAM: 3-6

The Dance Explorers Program is designed to guide children through an experience that stimulates body and mind. With a wide variety of imaginative themes, coupled with consistent application of developmentally appropriate physical activities, MLA developed the Dance Explorers Program because we see the "whole child" and aim to be a driving force in their mental, physical, and emotional development. All Explorers take Creative Movement and at least one accompanying secondary class (Tiny Tappers, Rumble Tumble, Hippy Hop & Pom)

## 3-4 YEAR OLDS - BEGINNING

### CLASS DAY & TIME

**Beg. Creative Movement** Mon 5:05-6:30

+ Rumble Tumble  
+ Hippy Hop



**Beg. Creative Movement** Mon 5:35-6:30

+ Rumble & Tumble

**Beg. Creative Movement** Mon 5:05-6:00

+ Hippy Hop

**Beg. Creative Movement** Tues 5:05-5:55

+ Tiny Tappers

**Beg. Creative Movement** Thur 4:00-4:55

+ Rumble & Tumble

**Beg. Creative Movement** Sat 9:05-10:00

+ Tiny Tappers

## 4-5 YEAR OLDS - INTERMEDIATE

### CLASS DAY & TIME

**Int. Creative Movement** Tues 5:00-5:55

+ Tiny Tappers

**Int. Creative Movement** Wed 4:00-4:55

+ Tiny Tappers

**Int. Creative Movement** Wed 4:00-4:55

+ Hippy Hop

**Int. Creative Movement** Sat 9:05-10:00

+ Tiny Tappers

## 5-6 YEAR OLDS - ADVANCED

### CLASS DAY & TIME

**Adv. Creative Movement** Mon 5:05-6:30

+ Rumble Tumble  
+ Hippy Hop



**Adv. Creative Movement** Mon 5:35-6:30

+ Rumble & Tumble

**Adv. Creative Movement** Mon 5:05-6:00

+ Hippy Hop

**Adv. Creative Movement** Wed 4:30-5:25

+ Tiny Tappers

**Adv. Creative Movement** Wed 4:30-5:25

+ Hippy Hop



**TUITION**

75 MINUTES

★ **\$141**

Per monthly installment

55 MINUTES

**\$94**

Per monthly installment

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ADD AN  
EXTRA 25 MIN.  
CLASS ANY DAY!

**\$47**

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installment

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# PATHWAY PROGRAM: BEGINNING & BEGINNING/INTERMEDIATE LEVELS

Every Beginning and Beginning/Intermediate level class at MLA takes a "Begin and Build" approach, teaching the foundations in proper technique in addition to the fun of music and movement! Performers have onstage performance opportunities in the Winter Cookie Social in December and the annual Spring Showcase in June (TBA).

Take two  
classes per  
week for  
maximum  
benefit!



## AGES 7+

CLASS	DAY	TIME
Beginning Ballet	Mondays	6:05 - 6:55
Beginning Ballet	Tuesdays	4:05 - 4:55
Beginning Ballet	Wednesdays	4:55 - 5:45
Beg. Contemporary	Tuesdays	5:40 - 6:30
Beginning Tap	Thursdays	5:00 - 5:50
Acro & Flexibility	Tuesdays	5:00 - 5:30
Beginning Drama	Mondays	4:00 - 4:50
Beginning Cheer	Mondays	5:25 - 6:15
Beginning Hip Hop	Tuesdays	4:50 - 5:40
Beg. Musical Theatre	Tuesdays	4:05 - 4:55
MLA Choir	Wednesdays	4:10-5:00

## TUITION

30 MINUTES

**\$47**

Per monthly installment

50 MINUTES

**\$75**

Per monthly  
installment

## AGES 9+

CLASS	DAY	TIME
Beg/Int Ballet Level 1	Tuesdays	4:00 - 4:50
Beg/Int Ballet Level 2	Thursdays	5:00 - 5:50
Beg/Int Contemporary	Wednesdays	5:50 - 6:40
Beg/Int Hip Hop	Thursdays	5:55 - 6:45



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# PATHWAY PROGRAM: INTERMEDIATE LEVEL

Our Intermediate level Pathway Program dancers build foundations in movement, vocabulary, technique and choreography. Additionally, Intermediate level Theatre students learn the foundations of acting, vocal technique, and theatre style dance. Performers in this level are eligible and encouraged to take multiple style. Performers looking to advance year to year should be taking 3+ classes per week in at least 2 genres. All performers in our Pathway Program participate in annual skills testing and participate in our Winter Cookie Social in December and our Spring Showcase in June (dates TBA).

## AGES 10+

Take three  
classes per  
week for  
maximum  
benefit!

### TUITION

50 MIN.

**\$78**

Per monthly  
installment

80 MIN.

**\$107**

Per monthly  
installment

30 MINUTES

**\$47**

Per monthly  
installment

CLASS	DAY	TIME
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### 30 MINUTES

Acro & Flexibility	Tuesdays	5:00-5:30
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### 50 MINUTES

Intermediate Cheer	Mondays	6:15 - 7:05
Int. Contemporary	Tuesdays	5:35 - 6:25
Pre-Pointe	Wednesdays	6:20 - 7:10
Pointe	Mondays	5:25 - 6:15
Performance Jazz/Tap	Tuesdays	4:05-4:55
MLA Choir	Wednesdays	4:10 - 5:00
Beg/Int Hip Hop	Thursdays	5:55-6:45

### 80 MINUTES

Drama	Mondays	4:35 - 5:55
Intermediate Jazz/Tap	Mondays	6:35 - 7:55
Musical Theatre	Tuesdays	5:00 - 6:20
Intermediate Ballet 1	Thursdays	6:00 - 7:20



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# PATHWAY PROGRAM: INTERMEDIATE - ADVANCED LEVEL

Intermediate - Advanced performers build on the foundations developed in earlier levels to build strength, control and flexibility - all while gaining confidence with artistic expression and new styles. Additionally, performers in this level are eligible and encouraged to take 4+ classes per week in at least 3 genres. All performers in our Pathway Program participate in annual skills testing and participate in our Winter Cookie Social in December and our Spring Showcase in June (dates TBA).

All performers looking to join these classes will be enrolled after an instructor evaluates them in a lower level class. Placement will be determined by staff based on performers technical knowledge, safe execution of skills, behavior, and ability to participate fully throughout the entire class time.

## AGES 11+

CLASS	DAY	TIME
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Acro & Flexibility	Tuesdays	5:00 - 5:30
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Intermediate Cheer	Mondays	6:15 - 7:05
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Pre-Pointe	Wednesdays	6:20 - 7:10
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Pointe	Mondays	5:25 - 6:15
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Performance Jazz/Tap	Tuesdays	4:05 - 4:55
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Adv. Contemporary	Wednesdays	4:00 - 4:50
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Int. Ballet 2	Mondays	4:00 - 5:20
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Int. Ballet 2	Wednesdays	4:55 - 6:15
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Advanced Ballet	Mondays	4:00 - 5:20
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Int. Jazz/Tap	Mondays	6:35 - 7:55
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Drama	Mondays	4:35 - 5:55
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Musical Theatre	Tuesdays	5:00 - 6:20
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Musical Theatre	Thursdays	4:30 - 5:50
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**Performers at this level are encouraged to audition for MLA Singers and MLA Dancers Companies!**  
**More info on next page.**

**TUITION**

**50 MIN.**

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**30 MINUTES**

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# MELODY LANE PERFORMANCE COMPANIES!

Our Melody Lane Singers and Dancers Companies have rehearsal each week as well as a required ballet or vocal technique class. Performance company members must audition. MLA Performance Companies are non-competitive, instead, performers go out into our community and perform a holiday and spring show 5-6 times each season. MLA Performance Companies also perform at the annual Rising Stars Foundation Fundraiser, a 501(c)3 non-profit. Performers work hard each season to help fundraise for the RSA to provide scholarships for local performing arts students. MLA Performance Companies aim to spread the joy of the arts in our community.

## MLA SINGER'S COMPANY

CLASS	DAY	TIME
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### Required (Rehearsal & 1 class)

Choir	Wednesdays	4:10 - 5:00
MLA Singer's Rehearsal	Wednesdays	5:05 - 5:55

### Recommended

Musical Theatre	Tuesdays	5:00 - 6:20
Performance Jazz/Tap	Tuesdays	4:05 - 4:55

## JUNIOR DANCER'S COMPANY

CLASS	DAY	TIME
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### Required (Rehearsal & 1 class)

MLA Jr. Dancer's Rehearsal	Thursday	4:00 - 4:50
Beg-Intermediate Ballet 1	Tuesday	4:00 - 4:50
Beg-Intermediate Ballet 2	Thursday	5:00 - 5:50
Intermediate Ballet II	Mondays	4:00 - 5:20
Intermediate Ballet II	Wednesdays	4:55 - 6:15
Intermediate Ballet I	Thursdays	6:00 - 7:20

### Recommended

Beginning Cheer/Drill	Mondays	5:35 - 6:15
Beginning Contemporary	Tuesdays	4:00 - 4:50
Beg/Int Contemporary	Wednesdays	5:50 - 6:40
Acro/Flexibility	Tuesdays	5:40 - 6:30

## MLA DANCER'S COMPANY

CLASS	DAY	TIME
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### Required (Rehearsal & 1 class)

MLA Dancer's Rehearsal	Thursdays	4:00 - 5:20
Advanced Ballet	Mondays	4:00 - 5:20
Intermediate Ballet II	Mondays	4:00 - 5:20
Advanced Ballet	Wednesdays	4:55 - 6:15
Intermediate Ballet II	Wednesdays	4:55 - 6:15
Intermediate Ballet I	Thursdays	6:00-7:20

### Recommended

Pre-Pointe/Pointe	Mondays	5:25 - 6:15
Pre-Pointe/Pointe	Wednesdays	6:20 - 7:10
Intermediate Jazz/Tap	Mondays	7:05 - 8:25
Intermediate Cheer/Drill	Mondays	6:15 - 7:05

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# MELODY LANE PRIVATE VOICE DANCE & INSTRUMENT LESSONS

Our Melody Lane Private Lesson Program is a wonderful way for performers new to a genre to build up skills quickly! Performers already far along in their training also benefit from one on one instruction to help meet their goals. Take advantage of our wonderful instructors and facilities for your lesson needs. We enroll children as young as 6 through adults all ages for private lessons.

**GUITAR - UKULELE - PIANO - VOICE - ACTING - BALLET - PRE-POINTE - POINTE- TAP  
- JAZZ - CONTEMPORARY - STRENGTH/FLEXIBILITY**

## INSTRUMENT

TYPE	LENGTH	PRICE
<b>Instrument</b>		
Guitar	30 min	\$27/lesson
	60 min	\$53/lesson
Ukulele	30 min	\$27/lesson
	60 min	\$53/lesson
Piano	30 min	\$27/lesson
	60 min	\$53/lesson

## VOICE

TYPE	LENGTH	PRICE
<b>Voice</b>		
Vocal Lesson	30 min	\$32/lesson

## ACTING

TYPE	LENGTH	PRICE
<b>Acting</b>		
Acting Lesson	30 min	\$27/lesson
	60 min	\$53/lesson

## DANCE

TYPE	LENGTH	PRICE
<b>Dance</b>		
Ballet	30 min	\$27/lesson
	60 min	\$45/lesson
Pre-Pointe	30 min	\$30/lesson
	60 min	\$60/lesson
Pointe	30 min	\$30/lesson
	60 min	\$60/lesson
Tap	30 min	\$27/lesson
	60 min	\$45/lesson
Jazz	30 min	\$27/lesson
	60 min	\$45/lesson
Contemporary	30 min	\$27/lesson
	60 min	\$45/lesson
Strength and Flexibility	30 min	\$27/lesson
	60 min	\$45/lesson

All performers ages 8+ are encouraged to take a private lesson in their genre of focus!

Private Lessons are purchased one month at a time.



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