

DANCE, MUSIC & THEATER

Classes must be registered for in advance (Classes may be cancelled if minimum numbers are not reached.) by calling the **Seymour Center** in Chapel Hill at 919-968-2070 or the **Passmore Center** in Hillsborough at 919-245-2015.

Dance

NEW! BALLET CLASS FOR BEGINNERS AND REVIEW FOR DANCERS

Want to improve your posture and grace while getting stronger and more flexible? Or... do you just want to wear a tutu and float around the room like a butterfly? Either way, you will love this class! We will focus on basic classic ballet terminology and exercises at the barre as a warm-up. Then we will come to the center of the floor to learn and execute some simple ballet dance combinations. We will end the class with a cool-down and stretch routine that will leave you feeling like a ballerina! Wear comfortable clothing and flat, secure shoes. Min: 5/ Max: 15

Register by: 1 week prior to each 4 week course

Master Dance Instructor: Christy Johnson

Fee: \$20/person per 4 week course, or \$7 drop-in fee

Seymour Center

Tue, Mar 6 - 27; Apr 3 - 24; May 1 - May 22 (324073-01, 02, 03)

3:15 - 4 pm

BALLROOM DANCE LESSONS

Each month you will explore a different ballroom dance; the group decides which dance will be explored for the month. Ballroom dances include Waltz, Foxtrot, East and West Coast Swing, Salsa, Tango, Samba, Merengue, Zydeco, Shag, and Lindy Hop. Instructor, Bruce Gillooly has over 60 years of dance experience. Please register and purchase your ticket at the front desk. No partner required but is recommended.

Instructor: Bruce Gillooly

Fee: \$5

Passmore Center

Thursdays

(254032-03, 04, 05)

7 - 8 pm

CHINESE DANCE FOR ACTIVE ADULTS

Chinese Dance is famous for its varieties. There are 56 officially recognized ethnic groups in China, and each one has its own folk dances. This class will tailor different Chinese dancing movements to meet active adults' needs. With relative slow speed, people can enjoy the gracefulness of Chinese dance. Accompanied with Chinese music and songs, performers entertain themselves while dancing. For more information, please contact Hui Di at hui.di@jmp.com for the Dance.

Instructor: Hui Di

Fee: FREE

Seymour Center

Tuesdays (354045-08)

9 - 9:50 am

Thursdays (354045-09)

7:45 - 8:45 pm

Saturdays (354045-10)

10:30 - 11:30 am

CHINESE FOLK DANCING

This is a fun and low-impact fusion dance class suitable for women 45+ years old. This dance class will give you a chance to learn Chinese folk dance in an effective and creative way. While the dances taught in this class will be primarily classical and ethnic Chinese folk dances, they also combine Latin dance techniques. Popular Chinese and international songs will be used to accompany the dances.

Instructor: Julie Gu For more information, contact julie.x.gu@gmail.com or 919-397-3648.

Fee: FREE

Seymour Center

Mondays (354103-01)

7 - 8:45 pm (downstairs gym)

Saturdays (354103-02)

9 - 10:15 am (upstairs exercise room)

FLASH MOB CLASS - THEN FLASH

Our new weekend class will bring you into the Flash Mob sooner. Learn the routine over two Saturdays then go with the group to Flash Mob and one or more local destinations. Class min: 5. Ask about scheduling a performance at your business or a public setting. For more information: 919-280-2161.

Register by: Wed. prior to start date

Instructor: Linda Houser

Fee: \$20

Seymour Center

Sat, TBA (324043-15)

1 - 3 pm

NEW! FUNKY JAZZ DANCE FOR BEGINNERS AND REVIEW FOR DANCERS

Do you love to move to Soul, R&B, Motown, Funk & Blues music?! Come join us to learn some simple funky jazz dances to your favorite groovy music from the 60's and 70's. We will do some basic warm-up exercises to prepare our bodies and become familiar with the movements that make up the unique style of funky Jazz dance. Then we will do some simple jazz routine combinations to put it all together and "Dance to the Music!" Wear comfortable clothing and flat, secure shoes. Min: 5/ Max: 15

Register by: 1 week prior to each 4 week course

Instructor: Christy Johnson

Fee: \$20/person for a 4 week course or \$7 drop-in fee

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Tue, Mar 6 - 27; Apr 3 - 24; May 1 - May 22 (324074-01, 02, 03)

4:15 - 5 pm

IRISH SET DANCING

Irish set dancing is a form of community dance popular in Ireland. The sets are danced to Irish traditional music and our dances use a mixture of recorded and live music. Beginning set dancers follow instructions from a caller as they move from place to place, whereas advanced dancers add footwork and have memorized the dances so that no calling is needed. For more information, videos, and a calendar see www.wildmusette.com.

Facilitator: Tyler Johnson

Fee: \$5 per session

Seymour Center

2nd Wed (353034-01)

7 - 9:30 pm

NEW! LATIN DANCE STYLING CLASS FOR SINGLES

Come learn the basic footwork, hips, shoulders, arms and hand movements of various Latin dances. We will work on rhythms, movements, turns and steps from Cha-Cha, Salsa, Mambo, Rumba and Merengue in a fun, relaxed atmosphere. Latin dancing is very popular because of the way it makes you feel strong and alive! And - you don't need a partner to take this class, but we may throw in a couple of easy partner moves. Wear comfortable clothing and secure shoes. Min: 5/ Max: 15

Register by: 1 week prior to each 4 week course

Master Dance Instructor: Christy Johnson

Fee: \$20/person for a 4 week course or \$7 drop-in fee

Seymour Center

Mon, Mar 5 - 26; Apr 2 - 23; Apr 30 - May 21 (324072-01, 02, 03)

3:15 - 4 pm

LINE DANCING

Line Dancing is great exercise. Best of all, no partner is needed. Join this growing class and learn the best line dancing around.

Instructor: Bruce Gillooly

Fee: \$3 per class. Purchase tickets at the front desk.

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Mondays (354019-08, 09, 10)

3:15 - 4:45 pm

LINE DANCING

This class is for both new and experienced line dancers. You will improve your memory and get the benefits of exercising while having fun.

Instructor: Becky Walker

Fee: FREE

Passmore Center

Mondays (Beginners class) (254006-02)

2 - 3 pm

Mondays (254006-02)

3 - 4:30 pm

Tuesdays (254006-01)

1 - 2:30 pm

LINE DANCING

First 30 min of the class is for beginners, and all levels are together from 10 - 11 am.

Instructor: Esther Booker

Fee: FREE

Passmore Center

Thursdays (254006-03)

9:30 - 11 am

TAP DANCING

Learn to tap dance with an experienced and friendly teacher. You will learn basic and historical steps, as well as how to tap to all kinds of music. Tap dancing is a great way to have fun while exercising without stressing your body.

Instructor: Katie Moorehead

Fee: \$52 for the first four lessons

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Thu, Mar 8 - Mar 29 (354032-15) Beginners

11 am - 12 noon

Intermediate/Advanced	10 am - 11 am
Thu, Apr 5 - Apr 26 (354032-16) Beginners	11 am -12 noon
Intermediate/Advanced	10 am - 11 am
Thu, May 3 - May 24 (354032-17) Beginners	11 am -12 noon
Intermediate/Advanced	10 am - 11am

TAP DANCING

Did you tap dance as a child? Even if you've never danced, have you always had a desire to learn? Now is your chance to learn the fine art of tap dancing for free.

Instructor: Bruce Gillooly has been dancing for 50 years.

Fee: FREE

Passmore Center

Tuesdays - Beginners	(254007-01)	9 - 10 am
Tuesdays - Intermediate	(254007-02)	10 - 11 am

WALTZ PLUS

1st Thursdays come dance to beautiful live music by the group, *Scandimonium*. On 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th Thursdays, we will have a mixture of couple dances to recorded music (i.e., waltz, swing, Scandinavian, Tango, and Swiefacher), with demonstration/teaching on request. Occasionally there will be an evening devoted to teaching a specific dance. No partner necessary. To receive weekly updates, please send your email address to billm0113@aol.com.

For questions, call Katherine Polk at 919-967-4967.

Fee: FREE

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Thu, Mar 1- 29; Apr 5 - 26; May 3 - 31	(353006- 03)	7- 8:30 pm
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WANTED: FLASH MOB DANCERS

Flash mobs are a great way to have fun and meet people. Learn simple dance routines sitting or standing then delight "random" audiences with your surprise performance. All skill levels and abilities welcome. Wear comfortable shoes; no partner needed. FM is performed in two Parts with the option to learn the entire dance. Sign up for a Part(s) PLUS the Rehearsal. Class min: 5. For more information: 919-274-4400, Debbie Ramsey, choreographer and owner of Carolina Dance Club.

Register by: Mon. prior to start date

Instructor: Linda Houser

Fee: \$15 per Part + \$5 Rehearsal

Seymour Center

Thu, Mar 1 5 -29 - Part 1 (324043-12)	1 - 2 pm
Thu, Apr 5 - 19 - Part 2 (324043-19)	1 - 2 pm
Thu, Apr 26 - Rehearsal (324043-20)	1 - 2 pm

NEW! WESTERN SQUARE DANCE CLASS

Instructor, Hilbert McCombs, has close to 40 years' experience teaching western square dance. He will be teaching basic western square dance moves designed for beginners. The class will be slow paced and no more than 6 square dance moves per class. Breaks will be taken at scheduled times.

Partner Required. Min: 8/Max: 20
Instructor: Hilbert McCombs
Fee: \$65 per person (can pay \$5 per class)

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Tue, Mar 6 – May 29 (254045-01) 3 – 5 pm

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Tues, Mar 6 – May 29 (354106-02) 7 -9 pm

Music

DULCIMER MUSIC: ENJOYING THE ART AND LEARNING TO PLAY

The Carolina Mountain Dulcimer Players Club welcomes all strings and beginners to join them. If you think you might like to learn to play, we will set aside a half-hour beginning at 6:30 pm and provide a loaner so that you can acquaint yourself with the dulcimer. For more information, call or email Shirley Ray at 919-929-5359, ShirleyRay@aol.com or Cornelia Johnson at 919-606-1395, caj1949us@gmail.com

Leaders: Shirley Ray & Cornelia Johnson

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3rd Thu, Mar 15; Apr 19; May 17 (357166) 6:30 – 8:30 pm

HONG YAN CHINESE CHOIR 鸿雁华人合唱团

Singing is one of the most wonderful and beautiful things in the world! Our Chinese older adults meet regularly on Mon and Fri to enjoy popular songs. You are welcome to sit in and sing along! Come to share their joy and happiness! Language is not a barrier.

Fee: FREE

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Mondays and Fridays (354051-01) 12:45 – 1:30 pm

KARAOKE SING-A-LONG

Join David and friends for a variety of songs and fun.

Fee: FREE

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Wednesdays (257003-01) 10 am – 12 noon

OPERA AT SEYMOUR

The Chapel Hill Opera Group presents an opera for your listening-viewing pleasure on the 3rd Saturday of each month. Details about the schedule and upcoming showings are available at www.meetup.com/Chapel-Hill-Opera/. Come and join other opera lovers in a wonderful afternoon of dramatic and romantic drama with spectacular music and visual effects.

After a brilliant and fiery performance of Bizet's *Carmen* in **March**, we'll be emotionally moved by Puccini's popular Italian opera, *La Bohème*, a love story between a poor poet and a little seamstress in 19th century Paris.

May brings us the first (and shortest) of Wagner's four opera Ring cycle, a retelling of Norse myths of the gods of Valhalla and the power of the Rhine gold.

On a lighter note, we'll waltz into **summer** with Austro-Hungarian composer Franz Lehar's operetta, *The Merry Widow*.

Opera Coordinator: Evelyn Daniel, daniel@ils.unc.edu

Suggested Contribution: \$3 per family

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Sat, Mar 17 - <i>Carmen</i> by George Bizet	1 - 5 pm
Sat, Apr 21 - <i>La Bohème</i> by Giacomo Puccini	1 - 5 pm
Sat, May 19 - <i>Das Rheingold</i> by Richard Wagner	1 - 5 pm
Sat, June 16 - <i>The Merry Widow</i> by Franz Lehar (353031)	1 - 5 pm

NEW! RHYTHMS FOR MUSIC & MOVEMENT FOR BEGINNERS - ONE DAY WORKSHOP

Come explore various musical rhythms using simple percussion instruments. We'll also explore basic rhythmic movement including hand-clapping, toe-tapping, finger-snapping, lap-slapping and more! You will learn the foundation of rhythm in various types of music while getting your body involved in making these joyous sounds and playing with the various rhythms. Bring any percussion instruments you have to share and some will be provided. Most of this class is done while sitting. Min: 5/Max: 25

Register by: Sat, Mar 31

Professional Percussionist and Dance Instructor: Christy Johnson

Fee: \$7/person or \$5/person if you bring a percussion instrument!

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Sat, Apr 7 (354043-01) 2 - 3:30 pm

SING FEARLESSLY by FINDING YOUR VOICE

No, you didn't lose it!!! Wouldn't you like to have more fun with it? Join us for 6 weeks and get more joy out of singing. Each class starts with vocal exercises including tongue twisters, catchy songs and harmonic exercises. Types of songs we'll cover will include Folk, Country, Blues and Gospel. Each participant is encouraged to bring a song to class to sing. Instructor will also invite input from participants. Min: 5/Max: 10

Register by: Wed, Mar 28 for 1st six weeks/Wed, May 16 for the 2nd six weeks.

Instructor: Marie Vanderbeck

Fee: \$50 for 6 sessions

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Wed, Apr 4 - May 9, May 23 - Jun 27(354063- 12, 13) 2 - 3:30 pm

SONG SWAP

Bring your favorite songs and/or your acoustic instruments, and let's make some music! Folk, blues, old time, bluegrass, or original songs - whatever suits your mood or your style, all are welcome.

Leader: Ralph Besser

Fee: FREE

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1st Tue, Mar 6; Apr 3; May 1 (353017) 7 - 8:30 pm

Theatre

PRIME TIME PLAYERS READERS THEATER

The Billsborough Presbyterian Church has a problem: attendance has dwindled so that only the choir remains! Can things be turned around by a new preacher and a talent show? Find out, as The Prime Time Players debuts a comical, musical play by Pip Merrick, *Preaching to the Choir*.

Fee: \$10 suggested donation.

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Thu, Apr 5 (223019-02) 2 pm

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Wed, Apr 4 (323001-01) 2 pm

Sat, Apr 7 (323001-02) 2 pm

NEW! PRIME TIME PLAYWRIGHTS WORKSHOP

Want to turn a funny idea into a hilarious script? Want insider advice on crafting plays? Join the Prime Time Playwrights Workshop to develop and share your theatrical imagination. Develop a 10 minute play over the course of five meetings, or work towards creating a script for The Prime Time Players' fall production. No previous experience necessary - just a desire to get your work on stage!

Min: 10/Max: 20

Register by: Mon, Apr 30

Instructor: John Paul Middlesworth

Fee: FREE

Seymour Center

Mon, Apr 30; May 7, 21; Jun 4, 18 (357028-07) 3 - 5 pm