

HUNTER  
DANCE CENTER

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Left: Yoga Class; Center: Tippy Toes Class;  
Right: Professional Modern Class.



## Exceptional dance training from the ground up.

At Hunter, we foster a love of dance and movement in all its forms.

Hunter Dance Center is here! I am so thrilled to welcome you to our beautiful new 8800 square foot home, where we provide exceptional dance training from the ground up for absolute beginners to experienced professionals. A love of dance and movement in all its forms is fostered by our stellar faculty of dance artists who are actively involved in the professional field. Creative classes for preschoolers, a rigorous pre-professional program for aspiring young dancers, open dance classes for teens and adults, martial arts, yoga, Pilates, barre and dance related

fitness classes can all be found inside our four state of the art studios.

Hunter Dance Center is home to the professional dance theater company Open Dance Project ([opendanceproject.org](http://opendanceproject.org)) whose season of world-class dance theater performance is developed and rehearsed at Hunter. Open Dance Project company members teach throughout our levels and programs, directing their expertise and passion towards the training of the next generation of innovative dance artists in Houston and making dance theater more accessible and meaningful to the general public.

As the owner and director of Hunter Dance Center, I am committed to providing the Heights and greater Houston with access to the best dance has to offer. At Hunter, we know that dance is good for your mind, body

and soul regardless of your age or experience level. We know that dance builds community, and we want you to be a part of ours. I can't wait to dance with you in the fall!

- Annie Arnoult, Director

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Everybody Dance!



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Hunter Dance Center believes every child should have the opportunity to dance. Need based scholarships are available to students regardless of age or experience level. Please contact our office at 832-930-6343 for an application. You can make a tax-deductible donation to Open Dance Project to support our scholarship program when you register for classes. Everybody dance!

# Student Program

Our student program starts the young dancer off on the right foot with proper technique and a love of dance in all its forms from the very beginning.



**BOYS,  
CHECK OUT  
OUR  
HIP HOP,  
MODERN,  
CIRCUS, TAP  
AND JAZZ  
CLASSES!**

## Ages 3-4

### Tippy Toes

(Ages 3-4) A creative class for our pre-school dancers, using story and props to teach the fundamentals of ballet & modern.

Monday 10:15-11am  
Monday 1:45-2:30pm  
Monday 3:45-4:30pm  
Tuesday 4-4:45pm  
Wednesday 10:15-11am  
Wednesday 1:15-2pm  
Saturday 9-9:45am

### Wiggleworms

(Ages 3-4) A creative movement, drama and music class for pre-schoolers, focusing on building fine and major motor skills and collaborative play.

Monday 1-1:45pm  
Wednesday 12:30-1:15pm  
Wednesday 3:45-4:30pm

## Ages 5-6



### Pre-Ballet

(Age 5) A fun and energetic class for kindergarteners using story and props to teach basic ballet vocabulary and skills.

Tuesday 4-4:45pm  
Friday 3:45-4:30pm  
Saturday 9:45-10:30am



### Intro Modern

(Ages 5-6) An action packed introduction to the strength and athleticism of modern dance, perfect for the kid who can't stop dancing around the house.

Thursday 4-4:45pm

### Intro Tap

(Ages 5-6)  
Kids will learn their bodies are instruments as they step, stamp, stomp their way to an understanding of rhythm and musicality.

Monday 3:45-4:30pm  
Thursday 5-5:45pm

## Ages 6-8

### Ballet 1

(Ages 6-8) introduces students to the classically structured ballet class (barre and centre work) in a fun and creative environment. See next page for times.

### Ballet 2

(Ages 7-10) builds on Ballet 1A, continuing students' classical training in barre and center work, with a growing emphasis on expressivity and presence. See next page for times.

### Modern 1

(Ages 6-8) A contemporary technique that develops strength and athleticism, alongside expressivity and ingenuity. Important for the budding choreographer! See next page for times.

### Tap 1

(Ages 6-8)  
Thursday 5-6pm  
Building on Intro Tap, kids step, stamp, stomp their way towards deeper understanding of rhythm and musicality. Great for budding Musical Theater kids!

*See next page for days & times for ages 6-8.*

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## Ballet

These classes teach the classical positions, steps, theories of movement, and French vocabulary of classical ballet technique through a progressively leveled syllabus. Ballet develops strength, flexibility, alignment, coordination and discipline and serves as the foundation for many other classically based dance techniques. At Hunter, we are committed to teaching the anatomy and kinesiology behind proper execution of the technique to keep our dancers dancing longer and stronger.

### Ballet 1

(Ages 6-8)  
Tuesday 4:45pm  
Friday 4:30pm  
Saturday 10:30am

### Ballet 2\*

(Ages 7-10)  
Monday 4:30pm  
Wednesday 4:30pm  
Saturday 9:15am

\*Two days a week, recommended.

### Ballet 3\*

(Ages 9-12)  
Monday 5:30pm  
Wednesday 5:30pm  
Saturday 10:15am

\*Two days a week, recommended.

## Modern

A contemporary dance technique with an expansive movement vocabulary that incorporates strength and athleticism, alongside expressivity and ingenuity. Through floor work, standing exercises, guided improvisations, and extended movement sequences, these classes train the body as an athletic, dynamic instrument with a focus on articulation of the spine, weight shifting and sharing, body connectivity, strength and release, intention and motivation, and rhythm-making. This class is the cornerstone of college dance programs & conservatory programs.

### Modern 1

(Ages 6-8)  
Thursday 4:45pm

### Modern 2/3

(Ages 8-12)  
Monday 5:30pm

## Academy Prep

### Pre-professional Program for ages 10+

Please call to schedule a placement class:  
832-930-6343

Meets three days a week, includes modern & pointe prep.

Monday 4:30-6:30pm  
Wednesday 4:30-6:30pm  
Saturday 9-10:15am

## Jazz & Tap

These classes brings out the "cool" inside every child. Students learn the fundamentals of classic jazz and tap with an emphasis on musicality and stage presence. Students must be registered in ballet to take jazz.

### Jazz 1

(Ages 7-9)  
Tuesday 5:45pm

### Jazz 2

(Ages 10-12)  
Wednesday 6:30pm

### Teen Jazz

(Ages 13+)  
Thursday 5:45pm

### Tap 1

(Ages 6-8)  
Thursday 4pm

### Tap 2/3

(Ages 9-12)  
Thursday 5:45pm

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## Circus Arts

A kid-driven introduction to the creative art of circus. Circus arts combines elements of dance, acrobatics and creative drama to build performance skills, strength and agility. Great for boys and girls alike! Perfect for the kiddo who is always doing handstands on the baseball field.

### Circus Arts 1

(Ages 5-8)  
Friday 4-4:45pm

### Circus Arts 2

(Ages 9-12)  
Friday 4:45pm

### Acro

(Ages 13+)  
Friday 5:45

## Hip Hop

Our hip hop classes are kid-friendly introductions to the urban-beat-filled world of b-boys and b-girls. Kids will learn steps, movement patterns and improvisation techniques known as "b-boying," as well as other urban street dance forms like "popping," "locking" and "electric boogaloo." The class focuses on the dynamic, rhythmic energy of the form in a supportive, nurturing environment.

### Hip Hop 1

(Ages 7-9)  
Wednesday 4:30pm

### Hip Hop 2

(Ages 10-12)  
Wednesday 5:30pm

### Hip Hop 3

(Ages 13+)  
Wednesday 6:30pm

## Aerial

Learn to fly with our certified aerial instructors under our beautiful 24ft high ceilings! Training in the aerial arts at Hunter develops strength, flexibility and agility in an empowering, creative environment that builds self-confidence and encourages the imagination.

### Aerial Kids 1

(Ages 7-9)  
Thursday 4:30pm

### Aerial Kids 2

(Ages 10-12)  
Tuesday 4:30pm

### Aerial 3

(Ages 13+)  
Thursday 5:30pm

# move

## Celebrate Your Birthday at Hunter Dance Center!

Kids parties  
for ages 3 and up!

Saturday and Sunday Availability

Hip Hop Hero! Circus Arts! Princess Parties!  
Ballet Birthdays and more!

Party packages start at \$300.

Call 832-930-6343 for more info!

# Adult

## Program

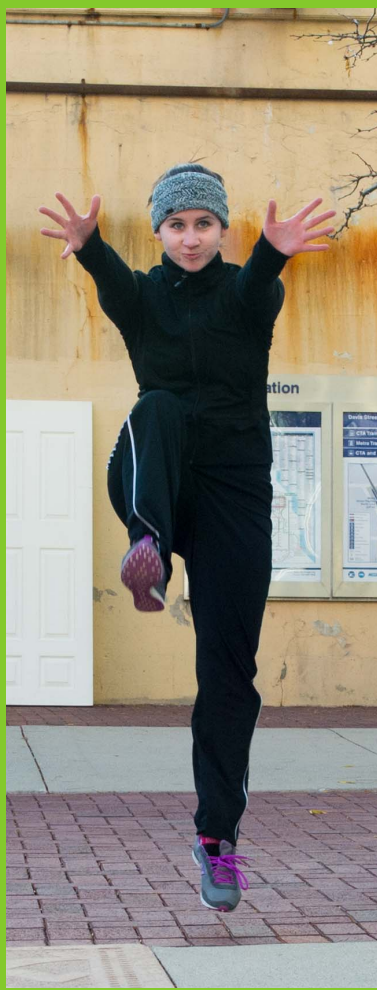
Our adult program offers excellent training in diverse styles and levels from teachers who are actively engaged in their field of expertise. Choose to participate through drop-in classes, class passes, and class sessions for adult dancers.

Level I = Beginner

Level II = Intermediate

Level III = Advanced

Level IV = Professional



## Somatics

### Yoga

Monday 10-11:30am  
Tuesday 8:30am  
Tuesday 5:45pm  
Wednesday 10-11:30am  
Thursday 8:30am  
Saturday 9am

### Barre

Monday 4:30pm  
Tuesday 11:30am  
Wednesday 4:30pm  
Thursday 11:30am  
Friday 4:30pm

### Pilates Mat

Monday 8:30am  
Monday 11:30am  
Monday 5:30pm  
Tuesday 4:45pm  
Wednesday 8:30am  
Wednesday 11:30am  
Wednesday 5:30pm  
Friday 8:30am  
Friday 5:30pm

### Strength & Flow

Tuesday 10:15am  
Thursday 10:15am  
Friday 10:15am  
Saturday 10am

## Modern

### Modern I/II

Wednesday 6:30-8pm

### Modern III/IV

Monday 9:30-11am  
Tuesday 9:30-11am  
Tuesday 6:30-8pm  
Thursday 9:30-11am

## Aerial

Learn to fly with our certified aerial instructors under our beautiful 24ft high ceilings! Training in the aerial arts at Hunter develops strength, flexibility and agility in a safe empowering environment that builds self-confidence and encourages exploration. An amazing full body workout!

### Intro Series\*

Thursday 6:30pm

### Aerial I

Tuesday 5:30pm

\*Must register for intro series before taking Aerial I.

## Ballet

### Ballet I/II

Monday 6:30-8pm  
Wednesday 9:30-11am

### Ballet II/III

Thursday 6:30-8pm  
Friday 9:30-11am

## Body Blast! 3-week Boot Camp MWF 5:45-6:45am

Includes elements of Pilates, Yoga, Barre, Bartenieff Fundamentals, Floor and Center Work

Kick start your morning and get your body and mind in shape!

First 3-week camp begins: September 14.

## Pilates Reformer

Solo and Duet Sessions with our certified instructors by Appointment

Please call to schedule: 832-930-6343

Get Started: Initial One-on-One Session only \$50!

Balance. Flexibility. Strength.

## Our Faculty & Staff

Annie Arnoult  
Director

Elissa Turner  
Studio Manager

Tehilla Hartmann\*  
Program Director

Lauren Burke\*  
Ballet, Modern

Brittany Deveau\*  
Modern

Jeanne Doornbos  
Ballet

Abby Flowers\*  
Aerial, Modern, Ballet

Alisa Mittin  
Modern, Ballet

Elizabeth "Nalley" Grossberg\*  
Pilates

Laura Gutierrez  
Ballet, Modern

Juan Jimenez\*  
Hip Hop, Circus Arts

Courtney Jones  
Modern

Stacy Skolknick\*  
Pilates, Barre, Ballet

\*Open Dance Project  
Company Member

## Spotlight on our Artists in Residence!

### Open Dance Project is bringing world-class dance theater to Houston

... and it's starting with Hunter Dance Center! Open Dance Project is a non-profit dance theater company that is in permanent residence at Hunter Dance Center. The mission of Open Dance Project is to develop, promote and sustain ensemble-driven dance theater productions in Houston and to serve as a cultural resource through engaging and enriching education and community programming.

\*We believe in collaborative community.

\*We believe every human being benefits from engagement in the arts.

\*We believe that participating in a creative process empowers individuals and strengthens communities.

\*We believe that every man, woman and child in Houston should have access to the arts.

And we are thrilled to call Hunter Dance Center our home!

Save the date for our first show!

October 9, 10, 11

"Our ensemble-driven work draws on the rich well of diverse talents and life experiences of our company members to make work that is athletic, virtuosic, witty, sharp, theatrical, whimsical, socially engaged and deeply human."

- Annie Arnoult,  
Artistic Director



## Performance Workshop with Open Dance Project Experiment. Connect. Dig Deep.

Dancers, Actors, Musicians, Poets! Sign up for our Saturday Performance Workshop and build a world-premiere dance theater piece from the ground up with Hunter's professional dance theater company in residence, Open Dance Project. The class will work through Open Dance Project's ensemble-driven, collaborative composition process to devise a completely new performance piece. Designed for amateur, aspiring and professional dance, theater, spoken word and music artists ages 17-97 who love to collaborate.

Saturdays 10:15am-12:15pm

Professionally presented Feb 18-21 at the MATCH,  
in Open Dance Project's Winter Repertory Concert.

## Open Dance Project

### Experiment

Open Dance Project's playful process experiments with

movement, text, music and media to create immersive, multi-sensory performance experiences that engage the public immediately and actively in the performed moment.



### Connect

Open Dance Project partners with K-12 schools, universities and youth and family service organizations to bring people together through the collaborative process of interdisciplinary performance development. If you have a school or other group that would benefit from a performance residency with Open Dance Project, let us know!

### Dig Deep

Open Dance Project performance and educational experiences deal with real-world subject matter - looking inward at the personal emotional experience in the midst of significant social and historical events.



OPEN DANCE PROJECT

TEL: 832-930-6343  
[WWW.OPENDANCEPROJECT.ORG](http://WWW.OPENDANCEPROJECT.ORG)