

# Prelude Division

The Prelude Division is for two types of students: the student who has progressed past the Intermediate Division yet is not ready for the Advanced Division (levels B and C) and for beginners at the middle-school age who need a learning environment that suits their maturity (level A). Students at this level are also eligible to take Poms Technique. Experienced students at this level may be eligible for YAGP class (see more below).

Choose from the following classes (1 hour unless specified otherwise):

**Ballet with pre-pointe/pointe (2 hours):** Our staff embraces traditional ballet principles and incorporates elements of French, Italian and Russian training methods.

**Jazz with Jumps and Turns (2 hours):** This class will introduce students to the wide range of styles that jazz dance encompasses: musical theatre, jazz funk, lyrical, and precision/pom. The classes will focus on gaining strength, flexibility, and solid technique.

**Hip Hop:** The Hip Hop classes will introduce dancers to all styles of hip hop while working to increase musicality and rhythm.

**Tap:** This program offers students the opportunity to learn this percussive form of dance in a progressive program that challenges each student. The classes will cover classic Broadway techniques, tap history, Hoofing, and Rhythmical styles.

**Modern/Contemporary:** This class will implement Horton, Limon, and Graham technique into this expressive form of dance.

**Acro Dance:** Acro Dance is centered on fundamental acrobatic technique to increase flexibility, strength, and balance.

**Poms Technique:** This class introduces a vocabulary of pom movements and elevated levels of turns and jumps, focusing on intricate Pom motions and incorporating more difficult technique.

**Jazz Fusion:** An invigorating blend of jazz, contemporary, and hip hop! Dancers fuse techniques while developing their musicality and performing skills.

**Silks (45 minutes-semi private lesson):** This program is a combination of dance, and silk acrobatics used throughout the world by notable companies, such as Cirque du Soleil

**YAGP Course :** The dancers will be recommended by the DMA staff. This includes a weekly 1 hour rehearsal with semi-private rotations. \* This is an additional course to the 2 weekly required ballet classes .

## Triple Threat Musical Theater Workshop

This workshop provides students with the fun experience of telling a story through singing, acting, and dancing!

Each participant will learn the skills needed to create a strong character and will play a special role in the production. Participants will also learn how to be a part of a theatrical ensemble and work as a team. October - January \$250 (5% off if taken in conjunction with a dance class)

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| • 1 hour: \$79/month   | 3 hours: \$227/month. | 5 hours: \$375/month |
| • 2 hours: \$153/month | 4 hours \$301/month   | YAGP course:         |
| \$50/month             |                       |                      |

## Prelude Division Expand Your Horizons Package \$75

The Dance and Music Academy is a pillar in the the Expand Community Arts Alliance, a group of Chicago-based arts organizations who share the mission of igniting community dialogue through an artistic lens. The partnerships created allow our students exclusive, discounted access to the cutting-edge programming with the other organizations in the alliance.

Trifecta Dance Collective Contemporary Master Class-October 2019

Chicago Repertory Ballet Master Class-November 2019

Infinity Collective Hip Hop Master Class-January 2020

Chicago Tap Theatre Musicality Master Class-April 2020

