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Camp Brings Value to Your Dance Community

By Bruce and Catherine Blumberg, All Star Dance Campers

Greetings to our All Star Dance Camp friends from Bruce and Catherine Blumberg in Sumter, South Carolina. With much anticipation we are looking forward to camp in 2026, Music in Motion!

All Star Dance Camp is a wise investment. I encourage you to invite all your dance friends to attend. Camp is so much fun when you bring your dance buddies. It is great seeing how much fun they have as they enjoy their first year at camp.

Yes, I know it is now February 15th, but Jill Austin, camp business manager, will let you sign up for the Early Bird Special if you call her any time this week!

The cost, relative to the products received, is minimal. From afar, our club, recognizing this value, gives \$100 scholarships to members who attend camp and return with benefits to the club. Over a period of ten years or more, Bruce and I have saved ourselves at least \$2,000.

Thanks to excellent planning, organization, instructors, and the option to video all lessons, we can bring the joy and lessons learned from camp to our fellow Sumter dancers.

We are preparing for June 2026! With the schedule of classes being available so early we have planned our dance lessons in Sumter around the routines we think will fit our club's needs. I am ready to spend my \$100 and take home all our new dance moves!



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What will we take home this year and why is it important?

Bruce and I are not the only ones in Sumter thinking about camp. Our Sumter Ballroom Dance Club looks forward to what is in store because our club benefits from dance camp throughout the year.

This past year club members have learned and performed three of the routines taught at camp in 2025.

Grease, a joint ladies' and men's medley of dance styles, was perfect for our dancers. We have an enthusiastic, small group of dancers with more women than men. This routine gave everyone the opportunity to dance without the necessity of a partner. So perfect! We performed this routine at several venues, and it eliminated any worries about matching-up partners.

When we did the ladies' 2024 skirt dance, performances were equally easy to manage. Costumes, recommended and worn, for both dances, were appropriate, and simultaneously easy to replicate at a very minimal cost.

The foxtrot routine, danced to Jazz Man, was incredibly fun; Bruce and I kept this one just for ourselves. At home, after camp, we practiced to improve our technique, skills, and memorization; we finally "got it" and have danced this routine at various locations throughout the year.

Too Sweet, a rumba routine, was a club favorite and our audiences loved seeing everyone on the dance floor swaying to the music. It really was a delight, and it included steps that have helped us all add some different social dance moves.

Bruce and I have become quite proficient with videoing. He videos from one angle and I video from another. Thanks to our phones and friends, we can get additional videos from a position that helps us better see the steps being taught.

I think many All Star dancers may have a spot or two in each routine that is not perfected in time for Thursday night performances. These videos along with the instruction from each class make it possible for us to come closer to "getting it right" after we get home.

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See you in June!

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Videos

You can check out all of our videos from our last camp on our YouTube Channel <https://www.youtube.com/@AllStarDanceCamp>. Videos are added as soon as they are available.

Comments? Questions?

Email our camp director, Rubye Del Harden at rubyedel@allstardancecamp.net.

About All Star Dance Camp



All Star Dance Camp is the best ballroom dance vacation! Dancers of all ages and abilities gather in Philadelphia, MS at [Pearl River Resort](#).

In addition to a welcome party on Sunday evening, camp features four full days of classes with dinner and dance parties every evening. As always, National Champions Jim & Jenell Maranto will be headlining camp. All Star Dance Camp offers seven or more classes daily and opportunities to take private coaching with all our great camp staff members. Campers can choose their own classes and class levels. Class levels include Beginning, Intermediate and Full Bronze as well as Silver levels.

Camp tuition includes classes, dinner Monday - Thursday and dance parties each evening. Call Jill at (662) 213-0504 to register.

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