



# *Ecarte Dance Academy*

*The Upper Hunter's Premier Dance School*



## 2016 Enrolment Package

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Welcome to Ecarte Dance Academy for 2016. I look forward to a fantastic and fun filled year working with your children. The following package includes all the information you will need to know to about the studio.

Écarté Dance Academy was established in 2015. I created the studio to offer a fun, caring and creative environment where students can come and learn a variety of dance styles. I want to be able to give every child the chance to develop and share the love and passion for dance.

### **ABOUT MISS AMY –**

- CBTS (Certificate in Ballet Teaching Studies) through the Royal Academy of Dance
- RTS (Registered Teachers Status) with the Royal Academy of Dance enabling the sitting of students for Ballet exams
- PDA UT- Qualified Pullars Dance Academy Unique Technique Tap Teacher enabling the sitting of students for Tap exams
- Over 17 years of dance experience, with 7 years of teaching experience in Newcastle and the Upper Hunter.
- Bachelor Arts/Bachelor Teaching (Primary) degree through the University of Newcastle
- Other qualifications include Working with Children Check, Anaphylaxis training and emergency E-Care training.

## **All lessons will be held on a Saturday.**

The classes that we have on offer include:

### ➤ **Ballet- Royal Academy of Dance London Syllabus**

The ballet classes that we offer cover the RAD syllabus. RAD is one of the largest dance education organisations in the world, being taught in over 83 countries. Through these classes students will learn fundamental skills and a strong foundation in classical technique. Examinations are available and can be undertaken with consultation with teachers.

### ➤ **Tap- Pullar's Dance Academy Unique Technique Tap Syllabus**

The tap classes that we offer cover the PDA syllabus. This is a Newcastle based syllabus. Students will start by learning foundational steps using correct tap technique and will develop through higher grades and steps. Examinations are available and can be undertaken with consultation with teachers.

### ➤ **Jazz**

Jazz classes are high energy, fun and entertaining incorporating the latest styles of music. Jazz consists of unique movements, leaps, kicks and turns. These classes will encourage flexibility in a safe environment.

### ➤ **Modern/Contemporary**

Our modern classes combine modern dance with elements of classical ballet technique. It encourages the students own interpretations of movement.

## **Age Groups (Jazz and Modern Classes Only)**

**Tinytot-** Preschool

**Junior-** School Year- Kinder, Year 1, Year 2

**Intermediate-** School Year- Year 3, Year 4, Year 5

**Pre Teen-** School Year- Year 6, Year 7, Year 8

**Teen-** School Year- Year 8, Year 9, Year 10

**Senior-** Year 10 +

These are a guide only, classing depends on age and experience of the student.

Due to being examinable classes, classical ballet and tap classes have different age groups. Please talk to Miss Amy upon enrolment to ensure your child is placed into an appropriate class.

## Things to know

- **Enrolment-** To enrol you must complete the Enrolment form, media consent form and pay the enrolment fee of \$25.00 for each student enrolling into the studio. If you are unable to attend the enrolment day, contact Miss Amy to organise enrolment.
- **Annual concert-** Our annual concert will be held at the end of the year (details TBA). All students will be given the opportunity to take part in the end of year concert. All participating students will receive an EDA medal. Details will be made available through term letters. Costumes for the concert will be on a hire basis (more information to follow).
- **Photo day-**EDA will be holding a photo fundraising day one Sunday in November. This will be a fantastic opportunity for you to purchase photos of your children in their costumes. A fantastic idea for Christmas presents!
- **Communication-** Newsletters will be handed out at the beginning of each term with all the important information needed. They will also be emailed out to your nominated email address. Like us on Facebook to keep updated about upcoming events. Current students and parents can join a private EDA Facebook group. To join this group you need to search for “Ecarte Dance Academy Students” and request to join the group.
- **Safety and Welfare-** Students are responsible for their own personal safety and must conduct themselves in a responsible and safe manner. Students take classes at their own risk and no liability shall be taken by the school for injury or loss of personal property. Students should be respectful at all times and show courtesy. **Please be aware that teaching may entail physical contact with the students to assist them with accurate placement.**
- **First Aid-** Staff will administer basic First aid- band aids, ice pack, and antiseptic cream. In the event of an emergency where a parent/guardian cannot be contacted relevant medical care will be contacted.
- **Lessons-** Parents are asked not to sit in on classes as this can be distracting to the students. There will be open days at the end of each term where parents will be invited to watch the classes. Please inform Miss Amy via phone or email if your child will be away from class through illness or planned absence.

## Fee Structure

*30 minute lessons* = \$10/week

*45 minute lessons* = \$12/week

*60 minute lessons* = \$14/week

*½ hour private lessons* = \$15/week

***10% discount for students/families with 3 or more classes.***

Student fees can be paid via:

- Cash put into an envelope with students name on front
- Cheque made out to Ecarte Dance Academy
- Direct debit

Payments can be made

- Weekly, fortnightly, on a term basis

**All fees must be finalised by the end of each term. Term fees must be paid for regardless of whether the student attends all classes.**

Teachers may be replaced for lessons. If the class is cancelled by the studio refunds/credits will be given for that class. Invoices will be sent out in week 2 of each term with a due date for payments. Contact Ecarte Dance Academy if you need to make additional arrangements.

**Term 1-** Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> January – Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> April (10 weeks due to Easter)

**Term 2-** Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> April – Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> July (10 weeks)

**Term 3-** Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> July- Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> September (10 weeks)

**Term 4-** Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> October – Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> /10<sup>th</sup> December (8/9 weeks depending on concert date)

## Uniform Requirements

Below are the uniform requirements for each class at EDA. All students must be appropriately dressed for classes in their correct uniform. This is an aspect of Safe Dance Practices. Hair should be neat and tidy and jewellery kept to a minimum.

Please ensure all students items are labelled, any lost property will be placed in a basket in the waiting room.

	<b>Top</b>	<b>Bottom</b>	<b>Shoes</b>	<b>Hair</b>	<b>Optional</b>
<b>Tinytot /Pre Primary Ballet</b>	Purple leotard with skirt	-	Pink ballet shoes	Ponytail or bun	Pink ballet stockings or purple crossover for winter.
<b>Ballet Classes</b>	Any style black leotard	Optional purple chiffon skirt	Pink ballet shoes Black canvas character shoes	Bun	Pink ballet stockings or purple crossover for winter.
<b>Jazz Classes</b>	Black EDA singlet. Purple crop top (optional)	Fitted black shorts / tights / long pants	Black jazz shoes	Ponytail or bun	Black EDA jacket, purple crossover or black long sleeved shirt for winter.
<b>Modern Classes</b>	Black EDA singlet. Purple crop top (optional)	Fitted black shorts / tights / long pants	NA	Ponytail or bun	Black EDA jacket, purple crossover or black long sleeved shirt for winter.
<b>Tap Classes</b>	Black EDA singlet. Purple crop top (optional)	Fitted black shorts / tights / long pants	Black tap shoes.	Ponytail or bun	Black EDA jacket, purple crossover or black long sleeved shirt for winter.

## Uniform and Shoe Price List

All uniforms and shoes that are available for purchase through the studio are listed below. Please see Miss Amy to receive an order form or to try on sizes.

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>PRICE</u>	<u>ITEM</u>	<u>PRICE</u>
EDA Singlet-CHILD	\$28.00	Stockings	\$14.00
EDA Singlet-ADULT	\$30.00	Tap shoes	\$55.00
Purple Crop-CHILD	\$26.00	Jazz shoes	\$25.00
Purple Crop-ADULT	\$29.00	Ballet Shoes	\$20.00
Jacket-CHILD	\$68.00	Character- Low heel	\$33.00
Jacket-ADULT	\$72.00	Character- High Heel	\$35.00
Baby/Junior Ballet Leotard w/skirt	\$25.00	Purple Crossover	\$25.00
Black Leotards	\$25.00	Purple Chiffon Skirt	\$20.00

## EDA MERCHANDISE

EDA Dance Bag- \$45.00