

MISD



Classes & Performance Opportunities

To view what classes are being offered in 2020 please see our current timetable.

RAD BALLET

[Kinder Ballet](#)

The Toddler and Kinder dance classes for ages 3-5 years are based upon the Pre-School Dance Curriculum developed by the Royal Academy of Dance. This approach emphasises enjoyment and expression through dance. (30 mins per week).

[Graded Syllabus](#)

Younger students begin with the RAD graded syllabus which is great fun to learn and dance. The syllabus involves learning classical ballet, free movement (contemporary style) and Character (traditional dance steps from foreign countries). Pre-Primary and Primary students attend one class per week, all other grades attend 2 classes per week.

[Vocational Syllabus](#)

Students over the age of 12 who wish to study ballet more seriously, possibly with a view to pursuing a career in dance or dance teaching, may follow the RADs major vocational syllabus. It develops technique, strength and artistry to the very highest levels, producing dancers who can then adapt with ease to the demands of any dance style.

CSTD JAZZ, TAP AND THEATRICAL

CSTD syllabi allow students to develop a high level of proficiency and performance ability.

[Jazz](#)

The CSTD Jazz syllabus consists of ten levels, which are updated regularly to reflect both the latest musical trends and dance techniques. The syllabus includes lyrical choreography as a sub-style for the older grades.

[Tap](#)

The CSTD Tap syllabus allows for variety and adaptability with a strong focus on technique and performance. The syllabus offers an extensive range of tap steps and a variety of dance routines each term.

Theatrical

An exciting new syllabus in Theatrical and Performing Arts was introduced at MISD for the first time in 2018. The syllabus studies dialogue, song, dance, stage craft, musical theatre and acrobatics with renowned musicals studied at each level.

EXAMINATIONS

MISD offer optional examinations in RAD Graded and Vocational Syllabi as well as CSTD Jazz, Tap and Theatrical syllabi. A more informal presentation is also available within the RAD Graded syllabus. Examinations offer the students the challenge of working towards a goal and provide a sense of accomplishment upon achieving that goal.

To be entered for an examination, students must demonstrate an understanding of the principles of movement, and the fundamentals of their syllabus at their current level of study.

FUNK

Funk classes offer students the opportunity to learn great dance moves, develop a funky performance style, increase technique and boost confidence. Choreography varies from lyrical to hard-hitting, with routines that you would expect to see in video clips. With a friendly, positive energy - be inspired, get an awesome workout and learn some cool moves.

CONTEMPORARY

Contemporary dance places a heavy emphasis on the connection between mind and body, with dancers being encouraged to explore their emotions through dances that push against traditional boundaries. These classes prove a popular choice with MISD students. Classes concentrate on modern dance techniques fused with improvisation whilst learning the importance of core strength to enhance performance.

ACRODANCE

Acrodance is the beautiful fusion of classic dance techniques with the precision and athleticism of acrobatic elements. Acro techniques include balancing, limbering, tumbling and partnering. Due to the gymnastics elements involved, Acrodance is taught on ability and not on age.

ADULT CLASSES

For those adults who love to dance, we have an Adult Tap class available which is open to all levels of experience.

PERFORMANCE OPPORTUNITIES

Performance group

Throughout the year, MISD is invited to perform at many different public events including school fetes, markets, formal dinners etc.

The MISD Performance Group is available to eligible students of ages 12 years and above.

Eisteddfods

The Mount Isa Eisteddfod is generally held in June each year, however due to a lack of committee members there is no Eisteddfod set for 2020 at this stage. A number of MISD students regularly attend Eisteddfods in Charters Towers, Townsville and Cairns as well as the DFO Dance Festival in Julia Creek. Any students interested in preparing solos and duos for competitions should speak to their teachers.

End of year concert

The highlight of the MISD calendar is the end of year concert held over two nights at the Mount Isa Civic Centre. In 2020, due to COVID-19 restrictions on audience size, smaller concerts will be held on November 28th and 29th.

