

Dear Dance Friends,

To say that I miss my dance friends is an understatement. Our absence from each other now will hopefully reduce our chances of being absent from each other in the future while suffering the effects of the coronavirus. So, you know the drill, thoroughly wash our hands, practice social distancing and wear masks if unable to have social distancing, etc.

In the meantime, while we are stuck at our homes, practice our dancing.

How? By working on the basic techniques of the dance. Always wanted to have that perfect frame for the Waltz, Foxtrot, Bolero? Now is the perfect time to work on it! Want to improve and have the perfect Cuban motion for your Latin dances? Practice it! A little practice every day goes a long way to improving our dances!

“Oh wait. No partner, Walter.” “No problem!” Improving your technique doesn’t require that you have a partner. If you do, fantastic. If you don’t, fantastic. Think of it as your “Me time”. Taking the time to explore the dance techniques that you’ve wanted to improve on so that when we’re back together dancing, you have more tools in your dance toolbox.

Via your smartphones, smart TVs and/or even virtual lessons, practice with live/pre-recorded FB or YouTube videos. Contact your dance pro to see if they can do a virtual lesson with you. There are LOTS of internet content/professionals that are conducting classes. They don’t like being cooped up either and still want to share their talents with us! Also, learn a new dance style or move. This might help improve your ballroom dancing. Some of you know that I really enjoy all styles of line dancing. I have found that learning new dance styles has improved my ballroom dancing and my ballroom dancing has improved my line dancing!

Lastly, don’t forget about your Dayton Ballroom Dance Club community and friends. When the restrictions are lifted, things might look a little different for a while, but our goal is to continue to spread the joy dancing via class instruction and social dance time with one another! Continue to call/text/video chat with one another. Even though this club has “dance” in its name, the foundation is **YOU the membership. You are why people become members and why people develop the love for dancing!**

Dance on DBDC! Dance on!!

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President