

The Early Dance Consort specialises in early European court dance, bringing to life dances from Renaissance to 18th century & beyond.

Directed by **Fiona Garlick & John Barnard**, the Consort has delighted Australian audiences with costumed performances, appearing with music ensembles including the Australian Brandenburg Orchestra, Australian Chamber Orchestra, City Chamber Orchestra of Hong Kong, Ensemble of the Golden Age, Adelaide Baroque, The Musicke, Pastance, Renaissance Players, The Sydney Conservatorium of Music Early Music Ensemble, The Marais Project & Evergreen Ensemble.

The Consort also presents demonstrations, lectures, & master-classes on aspects of early dance & related topics for arts & educational institutions. Presentations are based on wide research into surviving records for early court dance & music, & can include appropriate choreography & movement for period operas, ballets, plays & concert productions.



THE EARLY DANCE CONSORT

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Take an elegant step into the world of courtly dance.... sample the variety of ballroom and stage dances from Renaissance to Baroque & beyond.

Our evening classes cover a range of dances from the wealth of dance sources. They are a healthy, enjoyable, and informative experience for anyone with a passion for early music, period drama, social history and the European dance heritage.

Beginners' Classes focus on dances such as the Pavane, Galliard, Allemande and Branle from the courts of England, France, and Italy in the late 16th century, and on English country dances from the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries.

During the year, students will be introduced to the noble baroque dance style from the court of Louis XIV of France. Epitomised by such dances as the Minuet, Gavotte and Sarabande, it laid the foundations for classical ballet technique.

No partner or previous experience required.

Classes begin with a warm-up and gentle stretch, and the dances provide both physical and mental exercise ranging from gentle to moderately vigorous, in a relaxed and friendly environment.

Advanced Classes are by invitation, for students either with training in ballet or modern dance disciplines, or at least two years' experience in early dance, including Italian Renaissance and French baroque. Students may be invited to participate in Early Dance Consort performances.

Costumed Balls held from time to time at the end of term are occasions to dress up and display the dances learned, and to invite friends & family to come along and join in some dancing for all.

Evening Classes in Court Dancing 2020

Venue: Upper Hall, Presbyterian School Hall
181 Blues Point Road, North Sydney
(close to buses & trains at North Sydney Station—Hall is on the left-hand-side as you go down Blues Point Road, just before Lavender Street intersection)

Times: Thursday evenings
Beginners' Class: 6.15 pm - 7.45 pm
Advanced Class: 7.45-9.00 pm

Term 1: 10 weeks—30 January to 2 April

Term 2: 10 weeks— Cancelled due to COVID-19

#Term 3: 10 weeks — 23 July to 24 September

#Term 4: 10 weeks — 15 October to 17 December *

* **#Christmas Party** ~ 6.30-9.00 pm—All welcome

Please Note Term 3 & 4 Classes will run observing hygiene & physical distancing requirements according to our COVID-19 Safe Plan, and subject to NSW Government guidelines

New Students Please phone/email with details & health status, to confirm a place in the class

Fees: by term (see table)—Direct deposit (no cash)
BSB 112-879 Acc 041 197 567 (with full name)

What to Wear (see website for more information)

Loose comfortable clothing & light, flexible shoes:
- flat heels for Renaissance dance (e.g. ballet flats)
- low heels (1-4cm) for Baroque dance (e.g. jazz, character or Grecian/teaching shoes)
OR jazz shoes for both (e.g. Bloch)
Please avoid rubber soles

		Class Fees 2020		Details	
				Terms 1-4 (10 weeks)	
Enrolment					
Initial enrolment		\$ 230		First-time students register with enrolment form	
Loyalty/Pre-pay		\$ 220		Subsequent term and/or fees paid before term begins	
Couple		\$ 430		When fees paid in one transaction	
Student		\$ 195		Full-time students (proof required)	
Trial Class		Free		First week of any term, after which full fee applies	
Casual Class*		\$ 30/ \$ 25		Initial/subsequent—*offered at our discretion	

*Payment by Direct Deposit/Osko (no cash please)
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