# The Dance Magazine Monthly magazine for ballroom-dancers



This Dance-magazine is a monthly magazine made for and made by ballroom-dancers. Every month you can read about different subjects all concerning ballroom-dancing. We also give you the opportunity to put your add or messages in it. You can send them to me by e-mail.

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# **Danceshows**

By: Miranda

## **Danceshows**

## Holiday on Ice

#### *Summary*

Holiday on Ice is an ice-show where ice-dancers from all over the world show their best dancing skills. In Holiday on Ice a lot of champion ice-dancers appear. Every year they give away a new show with a new subject and they go on a tour with it. We have been to Holiday on Ice twice.

## The Broadway Show

A show on the talents of Broadway.

#### **Evolution**

The show evolution was about the evolution from the beginning till the future. They showed every big event in history with beautiful sounds, costumes and light.

#### My opinion

We have been there twice, to The Broadway Show and to Evolution. Is was very beautiful to see, but we also thought if you see it once it is enough. We had the feeling the second time was very much alike the first time, although the show was different. The first time we had a place on a higher stage and we like that very much, because you could see the choreography very well.

#### **Burn the Floor**

#### *Summary*

Burn the Floor is an ultimate dance-event! Forty-four dancers from the top of the world of latin-dancers are giving a spectacular show.

An explosive journey through the world of dancing on the touching music – from the elegance of the Viennese Waltz till the passionate moves of de Passionata and the sexy moves from the final Would You Like To Dance With Me. Burn the Floor is full of excitement, dynamic moves, action, energy, power, dance-art and passion. It shows a total new look to the dancing, a look ready for the new millennium. The show was given (as a tour) through Europe and Australia.

More information can be found on the website: <a href="www.burnthefloor.com">www.burnthefloor.com</a>. You can also find little peaces from the video here and an interview with the participating couples.

#### Reviews

Burn the floor is a great show that turns ballroom dancing into the new rock 'n roll. No kidding. There is not a sequin or a false curl to be seen in this steamy fest of slick, raunchy and accomplished dance in audacious avant-garde costumes (Anne Sacks, Royal Albert Hall) Professional ballroom is a famously completive sport. The couples that have joined forces to perform the new ballroom spectacle Burn the Floor heave sheathed their weapons. And seeing all the couples moving in choreographed formation, instead of ferociously finessing their completion moves, is one of the most impressive of the shows effects (Royal Albert Hall, London).

# **Danceshows** (continuation)

An explosion of colours and movement is a phrase often coined to describe rock concerts or even theatrical shows like Saltimbanco. In the case of Burn the Floor, the newest in a parade of arena productions to hit Australian shores, the phrase has never rung more true. Chunky boots, kneepads, dread locked hair and an over-abundance of brightly coloured, skimpy costumes all make an appearance as ballroom dancing attempts to break through the Strictly Ballroom stereotype (Chelsea Clark The Daily Telegraph, Sydney).

#### My opinion

I like the new look of dancing very much. Even people who did not like ballroom/latin dancing will like this. A friend of mine does not like ballroom dancing, but he was very enthusiastic about Burn the Floor! I haven't seen the show on stage and I regret that, because that is always more beautiful as through film.

#### Riverdance

#### Summary

Riverdance is a show given by an Irish tapdancing-group. Riverdance has hart steeling and exciting dance- and music-shows, live from the music temple Radio City Music Hall, and New York's greatest dancers are part of it: Jean Butler, Colin Dunne and Maria Pages and 70 other international dancers are part of this show. Riverdance exists of different stories of which every scene another is being performed.

#### Reviews

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#### My opinion

We have seen the Riverdance-show in Rotterdam and it was really sensational. It was really impressive how the dancers gave away a show and which musical sound they can make with their shoes. The lightshow was also amazing.

We like the show so much, that we bought the videotape, but seeing the show on stage is much more beautiful than seeing it on a tape.

## **Lord of the Dance**

#### *Summary*

Michael Flatley gives away the dance-sensation of the 90s with his show Lord of the Dance. Together with his group he gives away a spectacular show in which the Irish legend is being told in a modern style. Most people will know Michael Flatley as the solo dancer in the Irish dance-formation Riverdance. After his departure he made his own show and the choreography for his show is also done by himself. During the Eurovision Festival of 1995 Europe could enjoy his performance. Irish dancing is so perfectly timed, acrobatically and with a choreography never showed before.

# **Danceshows** (continuation)

Reviews

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#### My opinion

Lord of the Dance is very much alike Riverdance. That is of course understandable, because both are about tapdancing. In Lord of the Dance more attention was given to the details and clothing and the public was more a part of it.

#### New

The New tapdance-show is called The Millennium and is showed in the Dutch theatres from July.

We are probably going to visit this new show. If I have been there I will tell you how it was.

## Folkloristic dancing

Every Dutch person knows the folkloristic dance of the Netherlands, but do they also know the dances from other countries? Once a year the Netherlands organizes in several cities festivals where people from a lot of different countries make their appearance to show the dance that belongs to their country. It is an international event with beautiful costumes and different sorts of dancing, from the folkloristic dance of the Netherlands till the one from Indonesia.

One of these events is being held in Odoorn (Drenthe) once a year, most in July or August. A list of countries who were present (and will be present in the future) during this festival are: Azerbeidzjan, Belgium, Bolivia, Brazil, Bulgaria, Centrafricaine, China, Colombia, England, Ethiopia, Indonesia, Kenya, Norway, Ukraine, Paraguay, Poland, Polynesia, Romania, Russia, Spain, Turkey, The Netherlands and Germany. The participants do not only show their dancing, but they also sell articles which are particular for their country on the market.

The dance festival 'Op Roakeldais' is also a festival, where many countries are present. This festival is also being held once a year, but not in Odoorn, but in Warffum (Groningen). This dance festival of beautiful colours, music and movement is also a cultural event where brother ship is of central meaning.

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There are also several dance-musicals. Some examples are:

#### Fame the musical

Fame the musical is a theather sensation with modern dancework. Fame shows the hope, dreams and ambitions of a group young dancers and actors who try to make it in the world of dance, stage and music. Four years they fight for the audition till their diploma's. They learn that you can only realise dreams just by working together.

#### Reviews

Fame has a lot of stage-power (Volkskrant).

# **Danceshows** (continuation)

# **42nd Street**

The stage for this story is the hart of showbiz: 42nd Street in New York, where the most famous theatres were in the 20 and 30s. 42nd Street is a dream of every starting dancer. Peggy has the opportunity to go on stage and she becomes popular immediately. Still 42nd Street is standing in the top 10 of the longest musicals ever.

# My opinion

We are going to visit this music in March. After we have been there, I will tell you how it was.

# Messages

On this page you can add your messages for free. Send a mail to fghb@xs4all.nl.

## Te koop:

verschillende paren dames dansschoenen in de kleuren wit en zwart, maat 4 en 6. prijscategorie: fl. 10,- en fl. 25,-

meer informatie? Mail naar: <a href="mailto:gorkum.verweyen@hetnet.nl">gorkum.verweyen@hetnet.nl</a>

## Te koop aangeboden

- Blauw/paarse ballroomjurk maat 38 met lange mouwtjes en transparante bovenkant. Zo goed als nieuw. Vraagprijs: f. 2500,--
- Heren ballroompak voor slank postuur. Vraagprijs: f. 500,--

Voor foto's van beide in actie zie op de danssite van Fred Bolder <a href="http://www.xs4all.nl/~fghb/ballroom.htm">http://www.xs4all.nl/~fghb/ballroom.htm</a> onder Afbeeldingen de foto's van Joris Harder en Miranda Jager.

Voor inlichtingen: 050-5492681 of 06-51586689

# Koopje: latin jurk, mt 38

Goud bruine jurk met een dubbele rok met punten, lage rug, inclusief ketting en twee armbanden helemaal vol met drie kleuren strass stenen; vaste prijs slechts Hfl. 300,00.

Als je interesse hebt, ben ik bereikbaar onder telefoonnummer 0164-276417 (werk) of 0164-244382 (thuis). Je kunt natuurlijk altijd een mailtje sturen naar: Joyce.deKramer@AkzoNobel.com

Messages (continuation)

# **Danspartner gezocht**

Mijn danspartner moest helaas stoppen met dansen, dus ben ik op zoek naar een superenthousiaste heer. Ik dans hoofdklasse latin en tweede klasse ballroom (NDO) (omgeving A'dam of Utrecht zou perfect zijn).

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# Ballroomjurk te koop

Hele mooie ballroomjurk te koop. Hij is zalm met wit van kleur en heeft zeer veel strass. De prijs zal rond de 800,- komen te liggen.

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# Looking for ballroom dance cd's

By: Fred Bolder

Who has looked for ballroom dance c.d.'s probably found out that they are very hard to find. It looks like there aren't that much dance c.d.'s. Nothing is more wrong, I found out there are a lot of dance c.d.'s on the market. All you have to know is where to find them. I usually go to a city where I have never been before and I go to the c.d.-shops and buy all the dance c.d.'s they have. I have about 150 now.

## **Tips**

- Go to a city where you have never looked for dance c.d.'s before.
- Find all cd-shops in that city. This you can do with the cd-foon guide or internet http://www.detelefoongids.com.
- Make sure you have a map of the city where you go to.
- Usually you can find the dance c.d.'s between the instrumental c.d.'s. If you are lucky you can even find them ordered by Dance school, Dance-instruction or Ballroom dance. Sometimes you can find dance c.d.'s in the box Orchestras.
- You can also search for names like Malando, Victor Silvester or Hugo Strasser.
- You can also ask the staff of the shop if they sell ballroom dance c.d.'s. Most of the time they ask you: 'Do they exist?'. Don't bother about that reaction, they don't know any better. Even if they say they don't sell them, it is best to look for yourself. Sometimes they know exactly what you mean and even give you extra c.d.'s from the backstore.
- Ballroom dance c.d.'s aren't very popular, so you can buy them at a very low price. For DFL 10,-- you can buy a very nice dance c.d.
- In warehouses or radioshops they also sell c.d.'s. V&D for example has a whole collection of 'Let's Dance'.
- If you have some dance c.d.'s already searching becomes easier. Usually a c.d. is part of a bigger collection. You can order the rest of this collection easily.
- At big events or dance competitions they also sell very nice dance c.d.'s.
- You can also buy c.d.'s on the internet. For example: <a href="http://www.dancelife.nl">http://www.dancelife.nl</a>
- 'Musicshop Erik van Breda' and 'Van Leest' are some shops in the Netherlands where you can often buy new dance c.d.'s.
- Sometimes you can buy dance c.d.'s at your own dance school.
- In this magazine you can also find nice dance c.d.'s. Write down the name and try to order them.
- If you are abroad do not hesitate to look for c.d.'s in a music-shop. Sometimes you will find c.d.'s you have never seen in your country before.

I think I have given enough tips and everybody should manage to buy dancing c.d.'s now.

# Ballroom dance cd's - Time for Dancing

By: Fred Bolder

I have found the cd serie "Time for Dancing"! The music on the cd's is very good and is played by various orchestras. Most of the numbers are instrumental.



# **Time for Dancing**

Contents: 14 numbers on each cd Dances: Standard, Latin, but also Mazurka and Polka

Price: about 25 DFL

# I bought the cd's at:

Musicshop Erik van Breda Makadocenter 8 2951 EJ Alblasserdam The Netherlands 078-6915473

I bought 6 cd's of the serie in that shop, so at this moment he probably has only a few left. You can try to order them. They have more nice ballroom dance cd's.

# **Nice links**

# Dance & Listen - Ballroom & Latin Dance Music

http://www.danceandlisten.co.uk/

Dance CD's

# **StreetDance Australia's Free Online Books**

http://www.geocities.com/sd\_au/

Learn dance steps online

## **Ballroom Dance Basics**

http://cs.beloit.edu/Ballroom/

Information about ballroom dancing

# **Sapphire Swan Dance Directory**

http://www.sapphireswan.com/dance/

Dance sites

#### **Dance Beat**

http://www.dancebeat.com/

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# **DanceSport Magazine**

http://www.dancesportmagazine.com/

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# Nice links

# **TUCOWS Themes**

http://freethemes.concepts.nl/screens/places/ballroom.htm

Ballroom Desktop Theme

# **Burn the Floor**

http://www.burnthefloor.com/

# **RiverDance Online**

http://www.riverdance.com/

# Michael Flatley's Lord of the Dance

http://www.lordofthedance.com/