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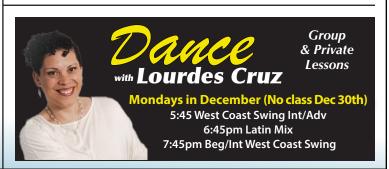




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In Step With The Editor

Loren Finkelstein



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On The Technique

Rumba Walks

By Richard Fiore

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Rumba walks are a fundamental element of Latin dance. When danced correctly, they look effortless and elegant. While there are various types of rumba walks, this article will highlight the forward progressive rumba walks. As the name implies, it is a walk in which both partners progress forward to rumba rhythm. Rumba walks are almost always seen in competitive dancing as well as at social dance venues.

It is important to use good techniques throughout a rumba walk sequence. These same techniques are also transportable to similar walks in other rhythm dances. There are several key aspects involved such as body alignment, feet position, footwork, timing, hip rotation and settling weight through the hip over each step. Regular practice of rumba walks is an activity that will serve to improve one's overall ability to dance rumba more stylishly. One of the most basic aspects of all dancing is proper body alignment. This is established by positioning the head directly over the shoulders, with the shoulders positioned over the hips and all in line with the ankles. The shoulder blades should be down and not forcibly pulled back. This allows the chest to open more naturally. The body needs to be vertical with the weight centered over the balls of the feet. The abdomen should be pulled in and maintained in that position with the buttocks directly underneath the body and not protruding out.

Hip action, foot pressure and floor contact are key elements of rumba walks. For example, a basic forward rumba walk may commence with the weight on the left foot with the left foot forward and right foot back. It is important to maintain pressure on the inside edge of the toe of the back foot, i.e. right foot, with the weight settled through the left side of the body. In this example, the walk commences by moving the right foot forward with the right knee slightly flexed. Lead with the inside edge of the toe of the right foot, moving the right foot forward, skimming the ball of the foot on the floor and end by lowering the heel of the right foot as the right knee straightens after it has arrived at its new position. A rotational hip movement and settling of weight through the right hip will occur during this action. At this point, the walk continues by moving the left foot forward with the left knee slightly flexed. Continue by leading with the inside edge of the toe of the left foot while moving the left foot forward skimming the ball of the foot on the floor and



end by lowering the heel of the left foot as the left knee straightens after it has arrived at its new position. The weight is rolled through the hip just before the end of the step. It is important to allow the traveling foot to overtake the body before shifting the weight onto that foot. The shift of weight occurs near the end of each step with a corresponding weight settling and rotational hip action onto the standing leg. The hip action is a key aspect of rumba walks.

Some dancers treat forward rumba walks similar to that of normal walking. While the two have some similarities, there are distinct differences. In the rumba dance version, the moving foot remains in contact with the floor with the toe of the moving foot leading. The weight shift occurs after the foot has arrived at its new position. In normal walking, the traveling foot is lifted off the floor with the heel striking first and weight shift occurring much earlier. If an improper progressive walking method is reinforced in dance, it becomes a difficult habit to break. Losing contact with the floor is a common problem. Keeping pressure on the floor with the traveling foot, at all times is essential. This provides an excellent tactile feedback mechanism that adds stability and thereby helps to maintain control throughout each step. Equally as important, is the synchronized forward progressive hip rotation and weight settling action. Without hip action and proper changing and settling of weight over each step, the movement will feel dull and lack luster. All of these factors are essential for rumba walks.

Rumba walks are thought to be one of the most important fundamental aspects of rhythm and Latin dancing. When they are danced well, they add extraordinary expression to the dance. Good control of footwork, feet positions, weight changes and hip action transforms ordinary dancing into a whole-body artistic expression.

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Group starts 7pm - \$15PP. Friday Night Soiree 8-10pm \$20PP. Take Group & Party - \$30PP Friday, Nov 29 is our Trim-a-Tree party but we're also having TWO Pro Demonstrations in Ballroom & Latin!!



Friday, Dec. 13th **Christmas Get Together**

7PM – Hustle Group 8-10PM - Friday Night Soiree



Friday, Dec. 27th **Pre-New Year's Eve Bash**

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Friday, December 6th

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The Argentine Viewpoint

More About Alexander Technique

By Michael Ditkoff

Email Michael at: tangomaniac@optimum.net



Michael Ditkoff has taken ten years of private ballroom, latin, swing and hustle lessons; eight years of private Argentine Tango, Waltz and Milonga lessons; three years of Embodied Yoga to improve his frame, and six months of Alexander Technique to improve his posture. He was also a dance host on three cruise ships. Michael resumed playing the piano in July 2023, further sharpening his musicality.

Last issue was the introduction to Alexander Technique. This month is how it improved my posture and dancing. Some people walk with their head in front of their body, behind their body, or

leaning to one side. Their posture acts as a drag on their movement.

My Alexander Technique practitioner said I had to unlearn bad habits to free my body from stress. For example, when stress sets in (sometimes before executing a difficult figure, e.g. back sacada,) my neck stiffens followed by the rest of the upper body, preventing me from pivoting, causing poor leading and execution. Tension begins in the neck and flows down like water into the shoulders, the arms and lower extremities. Embodied Yoga released a lot of the tension. (August 2024 issue.)

The head should sit suspended over the neck, as if the neck is a bumper jack lifting the head off the shoulders, not sit pancaked on top it.

My lessons began with concentration on the position of my head vis-à-vis my spine. It took a few months to become aware of my head's location. The practitioner would repeatedly say "Free the neck." I've heard of "free the whales" but this was the first time I heard "free the neck."

After becoming aware of tension in my neck and releasing it, I was able to balance my head over the spine. My balance and posture improved immensely.

I remember standing straight (at least what I felt was straight) and feeling Antoinette, the practitioner, adjusting my head to get it over the spine. This took months to accomplish after decades of bad walking habits.

Antoinette taught the correct way to walk upstairs. I used to angle my body to be parallel to the handrail walking upstairs. She said, "That's not walking efficiently." To walk efficiently, I kept my frame up while walking up and down the stairs. Maintaining frame is important in dancing.

I remember my parents visited me when I lived in the Washington, DC Metropolitan Area. I took them to the Naval Academy in Annapolis. My father remarked as a midshipman walked by, "Look at that posture." I didn't know that the Naval Academy also taught dancing.

For those interested in learning more, go to: AlexanderTechnique.com

I bet if King Henry read the website, his neck wouldn't hurt so much from wearing the crown.

Best wishes for a happy and healthy new year, filled with good dancing.

The Dance Conversation

What Dancing Tells Me

By Sherry Jean Olander

Dancing is always part of a conversation - between partners, between a performer and her audience, between the dancer and the musician, and even between a dancer and her own spirit....the heart of rhythm is made of offerings and responses. Engaging in this conversation is key, and it is through its inherent ebb and flow that wondrous things can be found.

Several years ago, on a just-warm-enough night, I was at a festival. A glorious bonfire burned in the center of a wide and danceable soft circle of sand. I was in the midst of working with some depression and anxiety, but enjoying the beauty of the moment. Pulsing beats of thoomp-thoomp-tukah were starting to fill the air as the Darrell Rose drum group began to play.

A small group of people danced up close to the stage, and I sat, waiting for the urge to do the same arise in myself. Part of me wanted to join them. Why was a different part of me feeling such a powerful urge to crawl up inside myself and turn away? I love to dance! But something in me was feeling lost and small.

One of the other women there was begging people to join the dancing, knowing the performers needed our engagement to truly perform

their best. I knew she was right, and I wanted to honor these amazing musicians. Their music was an offering on the table, calling me to engage. Was I going to be so rude as to ignore them? So, finally, it was guilt that made me break through my depression, forcing myself to move. And in my response, that's when the magic happened. As I moved my body, finding the beats between which to step - or sway - or swirl, a conversation began. Soon I found myself laughing and smiling and feeling a complete transformation in my mood.

Alice Walker has told us, "hard times require furious dancing", and I've learned this to be true - in my body, in my heart, even down to my bones, where the most grounded of truths reside. And that's sort of the point, isn't it? Our bodies hold on to truths that often our minds would prefer to forget. And living too much in a world of words makes it easy to ignore questions our spirits want to ask. Dancing helps us reconnect to these truths, and find answers to those questions.

On that festival night, once I began to dance, I joined an ever-ongoing conversation - about life, but ultimately about connection. As I danced, and felt the heaviness lift from me, a quieter conversation within myself brought some important realizations: the heaviness always seems more all-consuming than it is, and when I feel lost and small, if I tune in to my body and let movement be my response to the world, I usually end up dancing my way to a better place. I've always been a dancer. And even if at times a shyness or depression keeps me still and hiding, eventually the rhythm always calls me out to play.





DECEMBER 7



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The Dance Journey

2024 Christmas Letter

By Keith Happ

Dear Dance Friends & Family,

As we are greeting December as the month of joy and remembrance, we will also say goodbye to 2024 and welcome in 2025. I hope to continue writing these articles into the coming year with reflection on my dance journey and invite you onto the dance floor in 2025. Now it's time for holiday dances, festive decorations and anticipating the arrival of Santa and his eight girls. Yes, I do mean his reindeer and yes they are all girls, yes even Rudolph. You see in late October early November the male Caribou aka reindeer sheds his antlers. The female retained hers to protect the young. With that image in your head now, picture all of the books, pictures, paintings and movies with Santa and his reindeer, they all have antlers. Why wouldn't he pick females? Think about it. They are strong, they have antlers to protect the sleigh when Santa is doing his job. and if they should get lost, they are not afraid to pull over and ask directions, plus they follow his lead.

December is also the time for some of the best dance music. There are hundreds of great swing, two step, waltz, fox trot and quick step music to say the least. There is so much great dance music that you can play them from Thanksgiving to the second of January and never repeat the same song by the same artist more than once. Sadly, all the Christmas dances play the same tired music and occasionally add in another old tired Christmas song. What a waste of great music. In my car I have a USB thumb drive with over 800 Christmas songs that I listen to. On my portable MP3 player and computer I have over 3,000 Christmas songs. It may have White Christmas on it several times but each version is different and by a different artist or group.

Let's put this way. If I were to hold in December a dance every Tuesday, Friday and Saturday night you would dance all night not only to a variety of dances but you will never hear the same song by the same artist twice. But I'm not, so you will. When it comes to music you and I differ. You will pay for XM radio, not me. When it is free I check it out and find they play what is current and throw in a classic every now and then. My girlfriend was in my car listening to my dance music and would say things like I never heard this song by Ricky Nelson, or who the hell is Shakin Stevens, I never heard of Si Cranstoun.

There have been times she might be picturing a Swing or Cha-Cha to song playing in my car and ask where did you find this song and who is Jimmy Ellis? Who are Go Cat Go? Yes, you are missing out on a ton of great dance music by staying in your personal snow globe (another great song). Being beat deaf has many advantages over being a natural. I take the time to listen and count. There is none so deaf, as he who will not hear.

I hope some of you will explore the internet or when you are going from house to house looking at Christmas lights and decorations open your ears to the music. Maybe just maybe they will be playing a song that is new to you and you consider adding it to your play list. Maybe you need a new snow globe or maybe just need to add a snow plow inside of it to clear a place for new music. Stop asking us to learn new steps to your tired old music. I've seen young blood enter dance halls and never return (I should have thought of that line when I was doing my Halloween article). Wow, 2025 damn I'm old. I don't move as much as I use to. I have a few more aches and pains, but I don't let that stop me, much. This December spread that Christmas joy and make sure you dance. Get out on that floor and celebrate life. And sign up for a New Year's dance. Bring in 2025 with the absolute joy of dance. Just remember to drink responsibility, eat irresponsibility and dance like nobody is watching. Even though everyone is.

Bring in 2025 on the dance floor with someone you love. Hey this is the best time of the year. Party, dance and above all don't drink and drive! You could spill it. My New Year's resolution for 2025 well, I plan to go retro as far as my dancing is concerned. But more about that in January or February. This is the closing of 2024 and the birth of 2025 and where we reflect and yes start to feel old. We all experience our aches and pains and loss of loved ones and the joy and gratitude of those still present in our lives so bask in that joy. Don't go all Ebenezer and walk around saying Christmas is a humbug, and that getting old sucks. My late wife passed at the young age of 69. Getting old is a privilege. Not everyone gets to do it.

So in closing, I will leave you with this - Life is to be lived, loved and savored. That yesterday is the past, tomorrow belongs to no-one, but that today is a gift, that's why it is called the present. Open each day and live it to the fullest and above all stop reading this and get out there and dance! Merry Christmas and a very happy and healthy New Year.

Teal next year be safe and be graceful and courteous on the dance floor.

Keith







SUNDAY DEC 1

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MONDAY DEC 2

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Deer Park

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Farmingdale

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Lido Beach

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FRIDAY DEC 6

DANCES

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Club Brumidi. 2075 Deer Park Ave. 7pm Doors Open. 7:30pm Mini Foxtrot Lesson and Dance 8PM-10:30PM with Lourdes! Social Dance Mix with Music by DJ Gene & Joanne. Lourdes and Mario as dance hosts for the evening! \$20pp includes Complimentary Buffet, Coffee, Tea, Dessert & Cash Bar. www. sonsofitalyLl.com. 516-991-3208. Ad pgs 3 and 4

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Farmingdale

Barney & Debbie's Dance Obsession 18 Hempstead Tpke. West Coast Swing Workshop with Lisa Sparkles 7PM Beginners, 7:45-8:15PM Practice and/ or Warm Up, 8:15-9PM Interm./Adv. Call to enroll. Register by November 29.www.DanceObsession.com. (516) 753-2121. Ad pg 7

SATURDAY DEC 7

DANCES

Deer Park

Brumidi Lodge. 2075 Deer Park Ave. LONG ISLAND COUNTRY MUSIC AS-SOCIATION. Live music by Country Line, DJ & Dance instruction TBD. Doors open 6:30PM. Music starts 7PM. Coffee available at 10pm. (Bring your own munchies) LIMCA is a non-profit organization dedicated to the advancement of Country Music & Dance on Long Island. Ad pg 3

Elmhurst, Queens

Italian Charities of America invites you to our Saturday Night Dance! 83-20 Queens Blvd. Doors open at 7pm. Dance 8pm to 12am. Hot buffet and Dessert. DJ will be spinning classics, oldies, Top 40, Disco, Italian and Latin music! Cash Bar for beverages, liquor, wine and beer. Price increase: \$25 at the door and \$22 for dance members. Since 1951, our dances are a longstanding tradition to fundraise for our non-profit organization and non-profit building. Please inquire on how to become a member. Door prizes and 50/50 raffle. 718-478-3100. Ad pg 9

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Huntington

Swing Dance Night at Industry Lounge & Gallery, 344 New York Ave. 7-8pm Lesson and 8pm open dance floor with LIVE MUSIC! For more information email info@industrymakers.art Ad pg 2

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FRIDAY DEC 13

DANCES

Deer Park

Brumidi Lodge. 2075 Deer Park Ave. A night with "The Ultimate Entertainer" LOUIS DEL PRETE. 7PM-10:30PM. Adm: \$20pp. A throwback to an era when artists actually "entertained". Louis can sing, dance, and play an instrument! Complimentary light buffet, dessert, coffee, tea & cash bar. Dance Mix including but not limited to Ballroom, Latin, Hustle & WCS Singles tables available. www.sonsofitalyLl.com. For reservations of a FULL table (8+) call 516.819.9016. Ad pg 3

Farmingdale

Barney & Debbie's Dance Obsession Christmas Get Together! 18 Hempstead Tpke. Friday Night Soiree and Dance of the Month. 7PM Hustle Group, 8-10PM Friday Night Soiree. We will be changing partners. All welcomed! www.DanceObsession.com. (516) 753-2121. Ad pg 7

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SATURDAY DEC 14

DANCES

Deer Park

Brumidi Lodge. 2075 Deer Park Ave. Brumidi's Christmas Party! Open to Members, Family & Friends. Starts at 6:30 pm. Cocktail Hour, Sit Down Dinner, Beer/Wine/Soda & Dessert. Live Performance By Singer/Songwriter THERESA SAREO. Music by DJ Gene & Joanne. Cash Bar & Raffles ... and a visit By Mr. & Mrs. Claus! \$70 Per Person. RSVP by December 7. Must Reserve and Pay in Advance. No Walk ins. Call or Text: Linda 516 356-0949 or Theresa at 631 807-1485. Ad pg 3

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Lake Ronkonkoma

Ballroom & Latin Dancing Holiday Party at The Waterfalls Ballroom, 400 Cassata Ave. Hosted by Valerie, 7pm-11:00pm, \$20pp, Desserts, Raffles, Singles & Couples. 631-581-8509 or 631-487-3203 or email valmdance@yahoo.com for directions, info or reserve a table. Ad pg 5

Westbury

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Hollis Hills, Queens

Dance With Me Holiday Party at Hollis Hills Jewish Center 210-10 Union Turnpike. Music by DJ Andrew. 5pm-9pm. 4:30-5pm line dance with David. Complimentary Hot and Cold Buffet., dessert and coffee. Raffle & Door Prizes. \$25.00 Per person. Call Nancy for reservations 516-587-4330. Ad pg 4

CLASSES

Melville

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THURSDAY DEC 26

DANCES

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Social Dancing/Tea Dance 2pm-6pm at Queens Ballroom Dance 32-17 College Point Blvd. Group lesson before social. A great mix of ballroom, latin, and club style music is played by our DJ. Call for pricing. No partner necessary! Info: 646-389-5068. www.queensballroom.dance. Ad pg 10

FRIDAY DEC 27

DANCES

Farmingdale

Barney & Debbie's Dance Obsession Pre-New Year's Eve Bash! 18 Hempstead Tpke. Friday Night Soiree and Dance of the Month. 7PM Hustle Group, 8-10PM Friday Night Soiree. We will be changing partners. All welcomed! www.DanceObsession.com. (516) 753-2121. Ad pg 7

Greenlawr

Donna DeSimone's DancXchange Club Night Holiday Party at Greenlawn Moose Lodge 631 Pulaski Rd. Hustle, WCS, Country Two step, Latin & Smooth. Doors open for student practice at 6:45pm. Free Hustle lesson 7:15pm-8pm. Open dancing 8pm-11pm. You can not bring drinks into hall, bar but you can bring your own food & snacks. Masks optional, not required. Contact Donna for table reservations for 6 to 10 people \$20pp cash at the door. www.donnadesimone.us. 516.375.8498. Ad pg 7

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Huntington

Swing Dance Night at Industry Lounge & Gallery, 344 New York Ave. 7-8pm Lesson and 8pm open dance floor with LIVE MUSIC! For more information email info@industrymakers.art Ad pg 2

SUNDAY DEC 29

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MONDAY DEC 30

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DANCES

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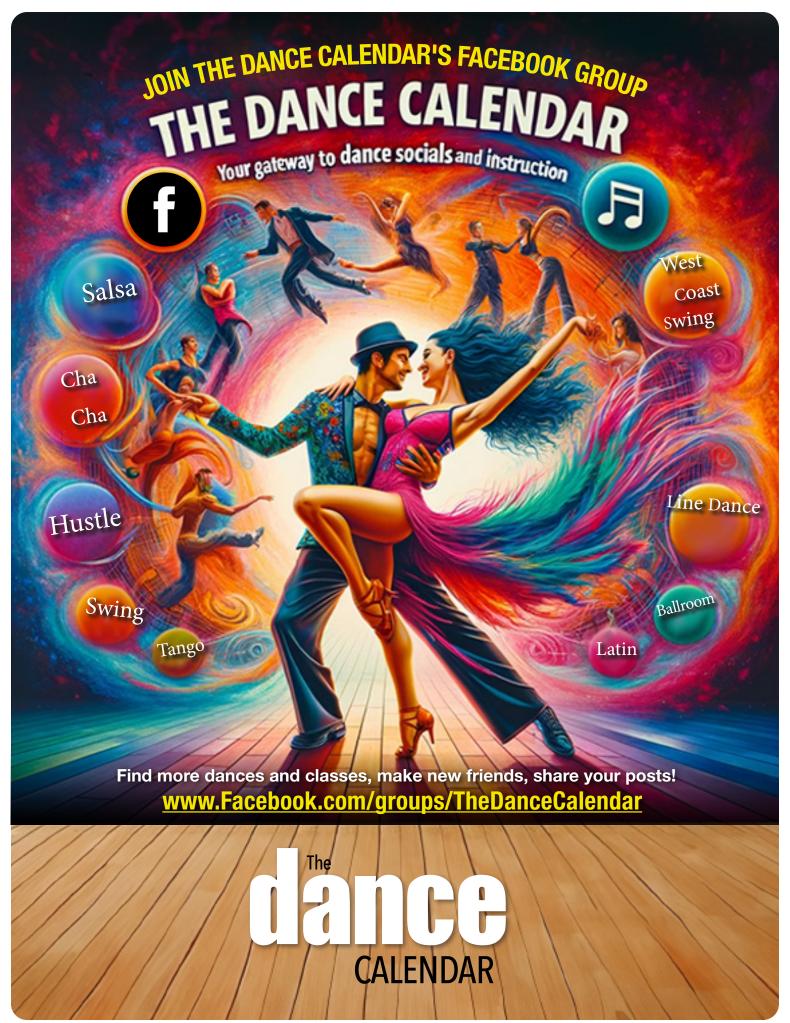
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