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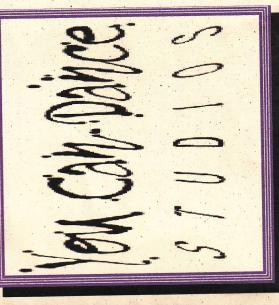
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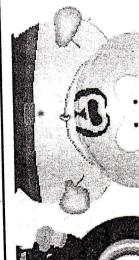
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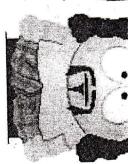
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The fateful day that swing met Scientology

my Derrida, and trying to squeeze as far as when these things happen. I'm trying to read I'm always sitting in the Hart House library the feet of the guy who's sleeping on the couch possible to the end of my couch to avoid smelling So I'm sitting in the the Hart House library.

it open and stepped out.

arches rumbled along with the beat. The ACES." The lead singer was a little weak, window panes rattled in rhythm. The gothic throughout the entire building. The tall bay room look full. It wasn't. corridors echoed, up and down,

with the sound of trumpets.

on my way in, and these had though, since I had passed by chambers. That was unlikely, coming from one of the long, been booked by the Church of The music seemed to be debating

trombone. (Please not again, I think.) But this doors, in came a tremendous blast of a And then, rattling through the heavy library the deafening music, I crept in and meet us!" Still following Scientology, mounted on up to the sign, and peeked in Church of Scientology - Come bearing the labels "The debating rooms, I saw large tripods, outside the door, styrotoam Indeed, as I approached the Books

> a strange scene, 1 with a hot tip for payphone. Like any good citizen scurried off to the nearest called The

the door. Up on a stage in front of a gaggle of And there was the Scientology Swing Band. loitering at the doorway, gaping in at the scene

was no obvious connection between the swing any good citizen with a hot tip for a strange keyboard and vocalist, all swinging. There Scientology evangelicals and a flock of encouraging signs, was a full horn section, and the Scientology. The swingers were scene, I called The Strand smile.

within Hart House. Before I knew it, the noise blaring horns, and some swinging drums - and trombone was shortly joined by a few more

what's more, it was all clearly coming from

swing band! Derrida in hand, I gingerly stepped had coalesced itself into - I'll be damned - a ful

across the bodies slung across the room, and to

The brass doorhandle was vibrating I pulled swinging, the Scientologists were trying. There open and stepped out. The noise was tremendous. It reverberated down in their dress pants, trying to make the

Another sign inside identified the band "JIVE

stage, looking as if he wished was jumping around the compared to the trumpet. He evangelicals watch him jump. All the there were more people to Scientology patches on their disconcerting. which wore

up against the long wall, so bring one a little too close to up almost half the width of of the room, they put them long and narrow. Instead of that the band and stage took putting the band at the end that the debating room is very the jumping vocalist. the room. To go inside would Odder still was the fact

"Come in!" he said, motioning me in with a An evangelical saw me

I scurried off to the nearest payphone. Like "No thanks," I replied with a smile, and ran

I was on a phone a floor beneath at the far end point had the misfortune of being News Editor. overhearing angry mutterings from people the building rumble and wail. I was wandering in the halls (some, perhaps, were of the building, and the band was still making losing valuable sleep time) "That's not a story!" said Grace, who at that

make news, and Grace doesn't respect me The upshot, anyway, was that the story didn't

found that they had sent us a press release to interesting organisation because no matter how the event. I did a little followup research on the much of their promotional material you read the Church of Scientology. This church is an never-quite-explained "dianetics." believe in, except L. Ron Hubbard and the you won't be any closer to finding out what they band. Turns out they are actually an agency of Nonetheless, when I got back to the office,

entertainment publicists. I will close entertainment publicists. Or perhaps, more to is. It will, however, reaffirm the fact that the religion, nor does it explain why the musicians the point, swinging inexplicable-cult belive or what the connection with swing music worst uses of the English language belong to proffering up a quote from their website: The Jive Aces' website doesn't clarify the

that says it's hip to be happy. It's cool to be glad The geography of jive is easy to negociate. Just "Planet Jive is an air and an attitude A mindset

place where the real world much attention. We try to by this i mean the scary, Stranded is not usually a sucky parts of life - gets focus on the lighter and wierder sides, but

Television found to cause brain damage

BY MATTHEW HARRIS

It could have something to do with the fact that experiencing severe nausea and my head hurts. Am I sick? I must be. I'm disoriented.

Tve watched Much Music so long I've seen the stopped me. That, and my friend puked on the thought, perhaps the human race deserves to him at the Joker two years ago but the bouncers better have. I paid pretty damn well for those would be so incredibly happy that the lights guys. I would have kicked his ass when I saw went out! And everyone would be sucking peace-in hell. What? He hasn't died yet? He kill and maim? I don't think so. Everyone And Rick. Rick the Temp, may he rest in ecstasy? Do you think they'd have the urge to

pacifiers and dressed in phat pants. On second

Steven Mitchell, October 1999

Welcome . . .

Registration envelope

In this envelope you will find a red name tag for the Saturday classes and, if you are registered for the whole weekend, a blue one for Sunday. If we owe you money, it will be enclosed. Please check **before** you leave the registration area.

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CD dance tonight: Starts at 8:30 pm - midnight. Cost is \$7.

Sunday classes

Doors open at 9:30 am for set up, classes start at 10:30 am.

Thank you to all who have offered encouragement and help with this workshop and throughout the past years. Your support has not gone unnoticed.

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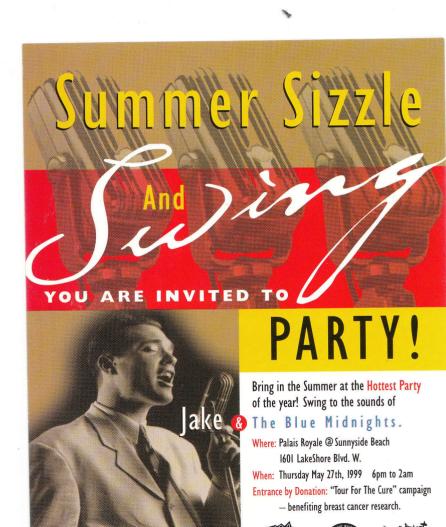
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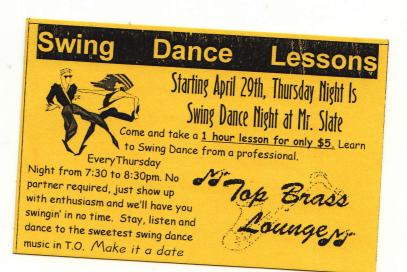
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More Info. about the October Lindy Workshop w/ Jonathan & Sylvia

Here are answers to the questions we've been asked most about this workshop.

1. What is Lindy Hop?

Lindy Hop is the original Swing dance. It started in the '20s in Harlem, and spread around the continent over the next two decades. There's no hopping in social Lindy Hop - the name came from a headline about Lindbergh (the aviator) crossing (hopping) the Atlantic. There is a gentle pulse or rhythm to Lindy Hop, and some people call that *hopping*, but it's a misnomer - your feet don't leave the ground.

Jonathan and Sylvia teach social Lindy Hop. No lifts, no drops, no aerials, no Gap ads, no hovering in mid-air. Just straight, clean social dancing.

2. Will they be teaching Savoy Style Lindy Hop? (I hate this question)

On an average Saturday night at the Savoy Ballroom, there were 2000 people dancing. That means there were 2000 "Savoy Styles". Which one do you mean?

Very often, this question really means "will they be teaching just like Frankie Manning"? No, they won't. They learned their Lindy from Dean Collins, Maxie Dorf and others. These people left Harlem, moved to California and developed their own style. Sylvia says:

"Smooth Style Lindy (called Hollywood or Lean Lindy by the Los Angeles retro kids) originated in ballrooms on the east coast during the 1930s. It was popularized by Dean Collins in many contests and over 40 movies. In it the leader stays anchored on many steps and mirrors the development of the dance 60 years ago.

"Balboa is a closed position dance which developed from Charleston on the west coast. It incorporates fast footwork and may be done to a variety of tempos..from fox trot to 250 + bpm."

What are they going to teach in each class

We've left it up to the teachers to teach in their own special style. They been doing it for years. Any specific instructions we could give them would only override their experience and detract from the workshop. However, we did tell them that there is a wide range of dance experience in our community. They told us that they will try to have something for everyone in every class. We also told them to make the classes progressive - that is, each class will pick up where the last one left off. We're calling it aggressive progressive - they will cover all the material, and move on when the top third of the class gets it. We will play music during the breaks, so that people can practice and ask about the things they didn't get. We we will have review classes after the workshop. Dates and time for the reviews will be announced at the workshop.

4. I don't know any Lindy. What classes should I take?

If you have never taken any swing classes before, take the Friday & Saturday classes. Come to the dance Sunday night.

If you've taken some swing before, but never any Lindy, take the Friday & Saturday classes. Take Sunday if you've been OK with Saturday.

If you've taken a Lindy series, with us or someone else, try to take the whole weekend.

The extra few classes don't cost much, and it's fun to stretch yourself from time to time

I already know some Lindy. Which classes should I skip? (another question I hate)

If you can, take the whole workshop. Jonathan & Sylvia teach a little differently than other people. If you miss their introduction, the rest won't make as much sense. Dancers who have studied Lindy before will benefit from the review of terminology and basics in the first few classes. And the other dancers will benefit and learn faster from having your expertise in the room!

However, if you absolutely can't come to the first few classes, here's our advice. If you've taken two 4-week series (8 hours) of Lindy lessons, and if you've practiced a lot, you can probably safely skip the Friday night class. If you've taken double that (16 hours) you can probably skip Saturday too. But you'll miss the Balboa class!

6. What are the class times?

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-	9:30	8PM	4:15	3:00	2:45	1:30	12:45	11:30	11:00	Times
:	Dance	Lindy 1								Friday
				Lindy 3	Pr	Balboa 1	Q	Lindy 2	Registration	Saturday
		8:30 Dance	Practice Time	Lindy 5	Practice Time (15 Mins)	Balboa 2	Quick Lunch (45 Mins)	Lindy 4	Registration	Sunday
				Dean Collins Lindy		Balboa 3	Mins)	Fast Lindy	Registration	Monday

7. What are the prices?

Members in good standing (check your card) can take the discount. If you take the whole workshop, the Friday night opening class and dance and the Sunday dance are included.

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Sunday Dance	Friday Class & Dance	9 classes	8 classes	7 classes	6 classes	5 classes	4 classes	3 classes	2 classes	l class	Whole Workshop	Package	
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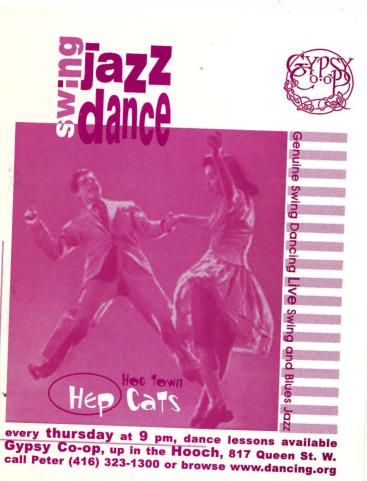
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	Saturday: 2:30-4:00 pm Five-week session	National Ballet School of Canada: 470 Queen's Quay West, just west of Spadina	\$50 7.5 hrs				
Level II	Monday: 9:30-10:30 pm Four-week session	Dancing on King	\$28 4 hours				
	Wednesday: 8:00-9:30 pm Friday: 8:30-10:00 pm Six-week sessions	Martha Hicks School of Ballet	\$90 9 hours				
Level III	Friday: 6:30-8:00 pm Four-week session	Dancing on King	\$40 6 hours				

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