

Dancer's Clothing Style

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Jazz teacher
Ethan M. from
Broadway
dance center,
and Assistant
Nathalie, have
completely
different
outfits on.



Student
Carolyn at
BDC shows
off what she
likes to wear
to class.





Tap teacher,
Doug and
assistant,
Grace, have
different
ways to wear
tap attire.

Buns galore! The girls' buns are their styles...



These hip-hop dancers may look alike because of their positions but their clothes are completely different.



There are also different styles of shoes...



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hours

Every dancer is a person, and every person has a style. That means that dancers have styles too. What are different styles that dancers have when it comes to dance wear? I know what I like when it comes to this topic. I like to wear shorts, leggings, or sweats, and on top, tank tops and t-shirts sometimes leotards. I wanted to find out what other people like.

One of the things that I've realized is that some of these styles are very unique. "I have seen an older (65 yrs +) lady come in to BDC to take ballet. She was wearing pointe shoes and a full costume tutu. I'm sure there are other bizarre sightings but that is the first that comes to mind," says Allie Beach, the CTP (Children and Teen Program) director at Broadway Dance Center. In an article from Glamour.com a writer, Leah Melby wrote that dancer, Dusty Button doesn't like to go classical. She likes showing off her funky style with things like doughnuts on her leggings to ballet class. This is unique because most dancers don't usually like to go to ballet wearing street clothes.

I've also realized that different people have different opinions on what to wear to dance class. Melanie Rembrant, from website dancefullout.com thinks you should wear black to dance class. This is not a rule, this is her opinion, which people like me might not agree with because overall dance isn't about all being alike, it's about you. My jazz teacher at BDC, Ethan M. always says that "Every dancer shouldn't be alike dancers aren't like robots, dance how you see how the moves should be performed." I agree. I think that dance is another way to express yourself, just like how you dress. So I think that you should wear whatever color or whatever pattern or design you want! But if you want to wear black I'm not saying it's wrong but try to show people who you are. "I usually only take jazz/contemporary, tap or bodyArt these days. I will wear Adidas pants to those classes or shorts and a black shirt," says Allie.

The last thing I've realized is that some people like to just go classical. In an article from Balletdancersguide.com, it says you should wear pink tights and ballet leotards to ballet class. In the same Glamour.com article by Leah Melby, it says that dancer, Lauren Cuthbertson likes wearing thin sweaters and silky skirts with her pink tights and leotards to ballet. To my ballet class I wear pink tights and ballet leotards like my classmates. If I was able to choose what I wore to ballet I would wear comfy clothes, probably leggings or sweats with a plain old shirt, honestly I don't like the classical tights and leotards but that is my uniform.

In conclusion, there are many different ways to wear your clothes to dance class. Much more than I thought. From hip hop to jazz from contemporary to lyrical, from modern to jumps and leaps and from tap to ballet, you can always dress how you want. Really there is no special way to dress for any type of class unless there is a uniform.