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Ballerina Aug 10 2020 Find everything your child needs to know to improve their ballet in this book and DVD from Director of the English National Ballet School, Jane Hackett. From first position to en pointe, the book shows detailed step-by-step photographs of how young ballerinas can improve on each position whatever their age or stage; making it enjoyable and easy to perfect their style. Discover the best things to wear to class, how to combine positions and even how to choreograph a ballet. Watch the DVD together and see the ballet steps and individual dances in motion, then have fun helping your child to practise as they watch. [The Ballet Book](#) Jan 03 2020 The author, a professional ballerina, introduces the art of ballet, from the basic positions, poses, jumps, and exercises to folk and character dancing, makeup, choreography, and performing on stage. Reprint.

Step-by-step Ballet Class Jun 27 2019 Written with the full backing and expertise of the renowned Royal Academy of Dancing and following the international ballet examination syllabus, this is an updated edition of the bestselling Ballet Class. From the basic positions of the feet to exercises for the most advanced ballet grades, Step-By-Step Ballet Class is an essential companion for all budding ballerinas. It gives a comprehensive selection of ballet exercises taken from each of the examination grades, beginning with Pre-Primary and working up to Grade Five, the most advanced. Clear step-by-step illustrations and explanatory text take the dancer through each exercise in turn and there are checklists of important points to remember. Topics such as how to find a good ballet school, dressing for dance and taking a ballet examination are also included. This important ballet book will ensure that dancers of all ages get the most out of their ballet lessons, both in and out of the classroom.

Ballet For Dummies Oct 24 2021 Whether you want to participate in ballet or just watch it, the ballet experience can excite and inspire you. Ballet is among the most beautiful forms of expression ever devised: an exquisite mix of sight and sound, stunning, aesthetics, and awesome technique. Ballet For Dummies is for anyone who wants to enjoy all that the dance forms offers – as an onlooker who wants to get a leg up on the forms you're likely to see or as an exercise enthusiast who understands that the practice of ballet can help you gain: More strength Greater flexibility Better body alignment Confidence in movement Comfort through stress reduction Infinite grace – for life From covering the basics of classical ballet to sharing safe and sensible ways to try your hand (and toes) at moving through the actual dance steps, this expert reference shows you how to: Build your appreciation for ballet from the ground up. Choose the best practice space and equipment. Warm up to your leap into the movements. Locate musical options for each exercise. Look for certain lifts in a stage performance. Tell a story with gestures. Picture a day in the life of a professional ballet dancer. Identify best-loved classic and contemporary ballets. Speak the language of ballet. Today you can find a ballet company in almost every major city on earth. Many companies have their own ballet schools – some for training future professionals, and others for interested amateurs. As you fine-tune your classical ballet technique – or even if you just like to read about it – you'll become better equipped to fully appreciate the great choreography and many styles of the dance. Ballet For Dummies raises the curtain on a world of beauty, grace, poise, and possibility! P.S. If you think this book seems familiar, you're probably right. The Dummies team updated the cover and design to give the book a fresh feel, but the content is the same as the previous release of Ballet For Dummies (9780764525681). The book you see here shouldn't be considered a new or updated product. But if you're in the mood to learn something new, check out some of our other books. We're always writing about new topics!

The Finis Jhung Ballet Technique Dec 26 2021 KIRKUS REVIEWS excerpted for book /website Discover or rediscover the essentials of good ballet technique in this comprehensive, accessible book. Ballet has a reputation as a beautiful but intimidating art form, and those who lack natural flexibility or a typical dancer's body may feel unwelcome in a ballet studio. In his first book, former professional dancer and longtime instructor Jhung dispels that notion, reminding students and teachers of the pure joy that dance can bring while offering clear guidance on how to move with grace and confidence and avoid injury. He talks candidly about his own struggles with demanding classical technique and explains how he eventually learned to work with his body, rather than against it, when dancing. Jhung doesn't demand perfect turnout or high battements from his students; instead, he emphasizes proper posture and alignment, which he convincingly argues are the real foundation of good dance. With that in mind, he moves through a series of exercises, from simple stretches and basic barre work to more advanced center work involving turns and jumps. Lessons begin with an outline of the specific movements and are followed by a detailed analysis of each exercise so that readers will understand why it's essential to perfect simple steps before moving on to more complex choreography. These initial lessons are clearly explained and are easy to follow even for those

with no prior ballet training. Throughout, Jung maintains his encouraging, supportive tone while also discouraging the sloppiness and overreach that leads to strained, inelegant movement valuable lessons for beginners and advanced students alike. A fresh, friendly guide that demystifies classical ballet while providing clear guidance on how to be a better dancer."

The Ballet Book Dec 14 2020 "This comprehensive guide... helps youngsters who love ballet to understand the hard work and commitment involved in classical dance training." -- School Library Journal (of the first edition) "A detailed, practical guide for serious ballet students... To balance collections heavy on colorful ballet books for browsers with stars in their eyes, here's a guide for ballet students who are ready to get down to work." -- Booklist (of the first edition) Prepared in conjunction with Canada's National Ballet School, The Ballet Book is the definitive instructional resource for children who are beginning to explore the possibilities and delights of ballet. The Ballet Book is an inspirational motivator, an exceptional teaching aid, and an ideal companion for students. Now it has all-new photographs in color and a text more suited to contemporary young dancers. The book illustrates in meticulous detail -- and through more than 100 photographs -- every position, step and pose involved in barre work, pointe work, alignment, classical ballet poses, attitudes, allegros, batteries, pirouettes and arabesques. Age-appropriate and comprehensive, it is a motivational guide, with information on deciding to dance; finding a teacher; musical accompaniment; finding the ideal studio; what to wear and grooming; positions, steps and poses; and exercises and nutrition. Historical highlights and modern opportunities complete this comprehensive book. The Ballet Book is a strong guide for both boys and girls.

Basic Principles of Classical Ballet Feb 25 2022 Discusses all basic principles of ballet, grouping movement by fundamental types. Diagrams show clearly the exact foot, leg, arm, and body positions for the proper execution of many steps and movements. 118 illustrations.

Making an Entrance Mar 05 2020 Making an Entrance is the first ever practical introduction to teaching dance with disabled and non disabled students. This clearly written, thought provoking and hugely enjoyable manual is essential reading whether you're just starting out or are already active in the field. Taking improvisation as his focus and as the starting point of choreographic exploration, Adam Benjamin asks what it has to offer as an art form and how it can be better used to meet the changing needs of dance education. In the theoretical section Benjamin explores the history of a disintegrated dance practice, placing it within the wider context of cultural and political movements. He questions what is meant today when we talk about 'inclusive' or 'integrated dance' and what we might expect of it. The book includes over 50 exercises and improvisations designed to stimulate and challenge students at all levels of dance. Benjamin also includes useful hints on the practicalities of setting up workshops covering issues as diverse as class size, the safety aspects of wheelchairs and the accessibility of dance spaces.

Building Ballet Technique Feb 13 2021 Dance teachers, both experienced and aspiring, will find this book to be an in-depth source of original choreographed center floor combinations for a ballet class. Each chapter presents detailed explanations arranged by "difficulty level" (beginner through advanced) as well as categorized by various areas of center floor work, including: Center Floor Barre, Adagios, Warm-up Jumps, Petit Allegro, En Diagonale (across-the-floor), Grand Allegro, Port de Bras, and so on. These teaching enchainements can be adapted to, or used to supplement, any style (syllabus) of classical training. The book also includes a collection of sample lessons for each difficulty level that can be used to create a full program of classes. As the combinations progress they build the technical expertise of students and give teachers "tools" to use to keep their students interested and challenged. Written by a former professional ballet dancer with an extensive national and international performing and teaching background, and an M.F.A. in Dance completed after her lengthy dancing career, this is the third volume in a series, following Vol. 1, "Building Ballet Technique, A Practical Guide for Teaching All Levels" and Vol. 2, "Building Ballet Technique, A Self-Improvement Guide for Dancers." It belongs on every dance teacher's bookshelf."

Suki Schorer on Balanchine Technique Jul 29 2019 When still a young dancer in the New York City Ballet, Suki Schorer was chosen by George Balanchine to lecture, demonstrate, and teach--he recognized in her that rare dancer who not only performs superbly but can also successfully pass along what she knows to others. In Suki Schorer on Balanchine Technique, she commits to paper the fruit of her twenty-four-year collaboration with Balanchine in a close examination of his technique for teachers, scholars, and advanced students of the ballet. Schorer discusses the crucial work at the barre as well as center work, port de bras, pointework, jumps, partnering, and more. Her recollections of her own tutelage under Balanchine and her brilliant use of scores of his remarks about dancing and dancers lend both authority and intimacy to this extraordinary analysis of Balanchine's legacy to the future of dance. Abundantly illustrated throughout with instructional photographs featuring members of the New York City Ballet, this book will serve as an indispensable testament to Balanchine's ideas on technique and performance.

Dance Medicine Jul 21 2021 "With understandable information--about health, injury prevention, and treatment of common dance-related problems--this handbook is literally a tour of the body from head to toe. Includes advice specific to dancers' well-being, such as body awareness and self-image, eating disorders, stress fractures, turn-out, damaged or painful knees, feet and toes; and the excellent five critical things to know and five great exercises for each part of the body at the end of each chapter."--P. [4] of cover.

The Cecchetti Method of Classical Ballet Sep 22 2021 A complete beginning course in classical ballet, this volume is based on the teachings of the celebrated instructor, Enrico Cecchetti. Features a numbered series of instructions for each exercise, plus 109 detailed illustrations.

Ballet Nov 05 2022 Ballet is a detailed guide to creative practice and performance. Compiled by ten leading practitioners, each chapter focuses on an aspect of ballet as a performing art. Together they outline a journey from the underpinning principles of ballet, through an appreciation of different styles and schooling, into the dance studio for practice in class and beyond. With additional insights from highly acclaimed dancers, choreographers and teachers, this practical guide offers advice on fundamental and advanced training and creative development. As well as providing information from dance science research into training well-being, this book supports the individual dancer in their artistic growth, offering strategies for exploration and discovery. Topics include: principles, styles and schooling of classical ballet; fundamental technique and advanced expression; developing versatility and creative thinking; advice on injury management, nutrition and lifestyle; choreography and music and, finally, best practice in the rehearsal studio is covered. 'A wonderfully accessible and comprehensive resource about the individual disciplines involved in ballet', Leanne Benjamin OBE, former Principal of The Royal Ballet and international coach.

Dance and Music May 19 2021 Harriet Cavalli, internationally recognized as one of the most talented and experienced specialists in the art of music for dancers and dance teachers, presents here the definitive book on accompaniment, as well as her personal - often humorous - look behind the scenes at the world of dance. The text is enhanced by diagrams and 83 complete musical examples, providing a wealth of repertoire choices.

The Cambridge Handbook of the Imagination Mar 17 2021 The human imagination manifests in countless different forms. We imagine the possible and the impossible. How do we do this so effortlessly? Why did the capacity for imagination evolve and manifest with undeniably manifold complexity uniquely in human beings? This handbook reflects on such questions by collecting perspectives on imagination from leading experts. It showcases a rich and detailed analysis on how the imagination is understood across several disciplines of study, including anthropology, archaeology, medicine, neuroscience, psychology,

philosophy, and the arts. An integrated theoretical-empirical-applied picture of the world is presented, which stands to inform researchers, students, and practitioners about the issues of relevance across the board when considering the imagination. With each chapter, the nature of human imagination is examined - what it entails, how it evolved, and why it singularly defines us as a species.

Letting Go Aug 29 2019

Building Ballet Technique II Sep 03 2022 This is a uniquely specific volume that lists both the reasons and solutions for many of the technique difficulties that plague dancers in their quest for self-improvement. It will take you "beyond the classroom" to find out how to better your flexibility, turn-out, pirouettes, jumps, arms, balances, and more, and how to work on problems such as sickling ("curling" the foot), poor jump preparations (or landings), rigid (or "droopy") arms, wobbly pirouettes, or weak extensions. Detailed descriptions and exercises for each area of difficulty are illustrated with color photos of dancers. Finally-here is a book with some real and pro-active suggestions that will give results-g geared towards dancers of every level. Using appropriate ballet terminology, it enables dancers and dance students to understand, evaluate, and perform more effectively each time they return to the studio for class, rehearsal, or performance. Dance teachers will also find it invaluable as a source for targeted corrections and practical exercises to give to students struggling with particular technique difficulties. It begins with a Dancer's Quiz that anyone can use to pinpoint the personal technique areas they want to address, then follows each question/problem with a chapter giving reasons (causes), possible solutions, and positive ways to improve. The book is enhanced with many color photographs illustrating the chapters, with correct and incorrect poses included. This is a book that belongs on every dancer's (or dance student's) bookshelf. Written by a former professional ballet dancer with an extensive national and international performing and teaching background, this is the second volume in a series, following Vol. 1, "Building Ballet Technique, A Practical Guide for Teaching All Levels."

The Dancer's Way Jun 07 2020 In the current dance scene, performers contend with choreography that involves extreme dance, multiple techniques, and acrobatic moves, exemplified in the popular reality television show, "So You Think You Can Dance." The dilemma for aspiring professionals is that dance class no longer provides sufficient preparation for performing at this level. Dancers who want to achieve their best, avoid injury, and perform at their peak will welcome the insight and advice in the pages of *The Dancer's Way*. The world-renowned New York City Ballet developed their proven wellness program to help dancers reach their potential without compromising their health. As one of the key designers of this program, former dancer and clinical psychologist Linda Hamilton, Ph.D. provides the essential principles of wellness that will help you achieve your goals in all levels and forms of dance. These include keeping yourself physically healthy, nutritionally sound, and mentally prepared as a dancer. New York City Ballet's celebrated program, here for the first time in book form, highlights every tool you'll need to stay in great shape.

Dancing Longer Dancing Stronger Nov 24 2021 Ballet, jazz, modern, and aerobic exercises to complement in-class work or to enhance performance.

The Art of Ballet Accompaniment Apr 17 2021 *The Art of Ballet Accompaniment: A Comprehensive Guide* addresses every imaginable topic and challenge that a ballet accompanist—whether a novice or a more experienced practitioner—might encounter. More than just a facile anthology of accessible music, this inclusive guide details all aspects of playing for ballet, including a complete manual for editing piano literature to accompany ballet technique classes. Author Gerald R. Lishka encourages ballet accompanists to be imaginative, creative, independent artists who can also communicate effectively with dance instructors. In addition, he clarifies the necessary balance between the use of existing musical scores and the art of improvisation. Featuring a new foreword by Kyra Nichols, an expanded section on Lishka's personal philosophy, an updated section on barre from Alison Hennessey, and over 100 music examples, *The Art of Ballet Accompaniment* offers invaluable advice for all levels of pianists and accompanists.

Classical Ballet Technique Oct 04 2022 Aimed at advanced dancers, this book discusses classical ballet's basic concepts, techniques, and movements

Inside Ballet Technique Apr 29 2022

Ballet Apr 05 2020 This DK visual guide to ballet history goes beyond other ballet books, with beautiful photography that captures famous dancers and key stories. Discover more than 70 of the most famous ballet dances, from *The Nutcracker* and *Swan Lake* to *The Rite of Spring*. Learn the stories behind renowned companies such as The Royal Ballet and the Bolshoi Ballet. Explore the lives and achievements of dancers across the centuries, such as Margot Fonteyn, Carlos Acosta, and Darcey Bussell. Meet composers and choreographers, from Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky to Matthew Bourne. From its origins at court and the first national ballet companies, to the contemporary scene and extraordinary venues that stage the productions, this book covers an impressive history of ballet and provides an invaluable overview of the subject. Filled with rarely seen photographs covering all the key figures, pieces, and performances, and compelling facts about each dance--the sources they draw from, their production history, and their reception over time-- *Ballet: The Definitive Illustrated Story* is an essential gift for all ballet enthusiasts.

The Perfect Pointe Book Oct 31 2019 This unique book gives you the extra help you need to really get strong enough for pointe work. It includes lots of exercises, divided into four simple stages to work on; the flexibility of your feet and ankles, the strength of your little foot muscles, your turnout and your core control. It also guides you through tests for each stage so that you can work out where your problem areas are! This book is essential for any student preparing for, or already on pointe, and any teacher wanting to learn more about safely preparing students for the most beautiful of dance forms!

The Pointe Book Jan 15 2021 Presents an overview of pointe technique and pointe shoes, with basics of pointe readiness, current research on best design for pointe shoes, materials, suppliers, and information on pointe-related injuries and remedies.

Dance Anatomy Sep 10 2020 Experience the raw energy and aesthetic beauty of dance as you perfect your technique with *Dance Anatomy*. Featuring hundreds of full-color illustrations, *Dance Anatomy* presents more than 100 of the most effective dance, movement, and performance exercises, each designed to promote correct alignment, improved placement, proper breathing, and prevention of common injuries. The exercises are drawn in stunning detail, capturing the dancer in motion and highlighting the active muscles associated with each movement so you can develop and strengthen different areas of the body. You will clearly see how muscular development translates into greater poise and elegance on the stage. Each chapter addresses a key principle of movement to help you improve performance, beginning with the center of the body, where dance begins. You will learn exercises to target specific areas, such as shoulders and arms, pelvis, and lower legs to enhance flexibility and ensure safety. You will also discover more efficient ways of improving your lines and technique by implementing a supplementary conditioning program that takes into account your changing cycles of classes, practices, and times of rest. Regardless of your ability level or dance style, *Dance Anatomy* will help you master the impeccable balance, intense muscular control, and grace to prepare you for your next leading role!

Dance and the Alexander Technique Nov 12 2020 Accompanying DVD-ROM contains film clips that demonstrate the concepts and applications of the Alexander Technique.

The Ballet Companion May 31 2022 A New Classic for Today's Dancer *The Ballet Companion* is a fresh, comprehensive, and thoroughly up-to-date reference book for the dancer. With 150 stunning photographs of ballet stars Maria Riccetto and Benjamin Millepied demonstrating perfect execution of positions and steps, this elegant volume brims with everything today's dance student needs, including: Practical advice for getting started, such as selecting a school, making the most of class, and studio etiquette Explanations of ballet fundamentals and major training systems An illustrated guide through ballet class -- warm-up, barre,

and center floor Guidelines for safe, healthy dancing through a sensible diet, injury prevention, and cross-training with yoga and Pilates Descriptions of must-see ballets and glossaries of dance, music, and theater terms Along the way you'll find technique secrets from stars of American Ballet Theatre, lavishly illustrated sidebars on ballet history, and tips on everything from styling a ballet bun to stage makeup to performing the perfect pirouette. Whether a budding ballerina, serious student, or adult returning to ballet, dancers will find a lively mix of ballet's time-honored traditions and essential new information.

The Essential Guide to Contemporary Dance Techniques Mar 29 2022 Explore the multifaceted learning processes and underlying principles behind the technical skills and abilities of a contemporary dancer. The depth and complexity of this challenging sensorial, intellectual, reflective, and creative process is presented with clarity, to support every training dancer in achieving the most from their learning experiences. With contributions from teachers at top dance institutions, this guide offers a unique insight into the expectations and processes of professional training classes

Put Your Best Foot Forward Jul 09 2020 Presents advice for young ballet students, including practicing etiquette and grooming, finding a balance between mind and body, maintaining focus, developing patience, and fostering an attitude of generosity in dancing for audiences.

Classical Dance May 07 2020

Getting Started in Ballet Aug 22 2021 "From selecting a teacher in the early stages, to supporting a child through his or her choice to dance professionally, [this book] leads parents of prospective dancers through a full range of considerations, encouraging careful thinking and informed decision-making when embarking on dance training"--

Technical Manual and Dictionary of Classical Ballet Aug 02 2022 From adagio to voyage, over 800 steps, movements, poses, and concepts are fully defined. A pronunciation guide and cross-references to alternate names for similar steps and positions also included.

The Guinness Guide to Ballet Oct 12 2020 Offers a comprehensive introduction to ballet and includes discussions of its history, techniques, famous dancers, and the major choreographers and their ballets

HowExpert Guide to Dance and Choreography Feb 02 2020 If you want to learn how to dance, improve your choreography skills, and become a better performer, then check out HowExpert Guide to Dance and Choreography. This book goes into detail about where to start as a beginner dancer, what you need to know going into dance, and step-by-step guides to help you become a better dancer. For those also interested in choreography, this book shares some tips on how to choreograph for dance and create a great performance. It focuses on the importance of every little step when it comes to dancing, and we discuss the order you should follow as both a dancer and a choreographer. There are examples given as well as first-hand experiences that will provide the reader with a deeper understanding as these 101 tips are explained. Any dancer or choreographer can benefit from the tips given within this book. The readers will walk away from this with a better knowledge of dance, the elements that go into a performance, and a better understanding of the time and commitment that comes with being a dancer or choreographer. In addition, the readers will have an idea as to whether they want to start on the path of learning to dance or choreograph and why. Check out HowExpert Guide to Dance and Choreography to learn how to dance, improve your choreography skills, and become a better performer starting today! About the Expert Sydney Marie Skipper is a dancer and choreography for hip hop dance and musical theatre. Sydney has been a dancer for 15 years and received training from the Millennium Dance Complex in California. Growing up, she competed at dance competitions; she danced in numerous performances such as Lip Sync Battle on Telemundo and music videos for artists Emilio Roman and Macy Kate. In addition, she worked alongside choreographers who work within the dance industry. Sydney has choreographed anything from quinceaneras, hip hop team performances, children's theatre, and musical theatre at Grand Canyon University. Therefore, she wrote this beginner book for new dancers and choreographers. HowExpert publishes quick 'how to' guides by everyday experts.

Pilates and Conditioning for Dancers Sep 30 2019 Professional dance is an exciting but demanding career to choose, and the dancer of today needs to be physically prepared for the stress on the body that a performing life entails. Pilates and Conditioning for Dancers is a practical guide to exercises designed specifically for dance students and professionals alike. The focus on how to choose exercises that suit the individual offers dancers the freedom to optimize their performance potential in a flexible environment. Key topics covered are Core Control; Turnout; The Healthy Spine; Footwork; Jumping and Landing. This new book covers each area of the body, relating the exercises closely to dance technique and providing movement solutions for dancers of all styles and at all stages of their performing career.

Building Ballet Technique Jul 01 2022 A very comprehensive and practical teaching guide for the novice-to-very experienced ballet teacher or studio owner, or any qualified professional wishing to enter the career, this book has a wealth of age-appropriate class material for all levels in 180 pages of teaching goals, lesson plans with specific exercises and activities, arranged by level of difficulty, in a progressive complete syllabus format that can be adapted to suit the needs of any teacher or studio. Beautiful color photos enhance and illustrate the content. Written in clear and concise language with use of correct ballet terminology, the volume is divided into four parts: (Teaching) Preschool, Beginner, Intermediate, Advanced and also Pre-Pointe and Pointe levels, with additional information to assist teachers in assessing or grading students, gauging student progress, and constructing a personalized curriculum. It would serve as a valuable textbook or reference book for any college dance pedagogy/education course, and prepare the transitioning professional dancer or dance major graduate with a practical guide towards becoming an effective and successful teacher. Additional topics covered include: preparation and tips for teachers, a discussion of differences in various recognized current teaching methodologies, how to create a teaching journal, and "frequently asked questions" regarding pointe work. Strong emphasis is placed upon knowing student expectations for each age and level, including physical, intellectual, psychological and parental-vs.-teacher perceptions. Written sample forms for Student Progress Letters (for parents), a teaching rubric and guides for determining student levels are also provided. The author is a former professional dancer with ballet companies in the U.S. and Europe, educator, founder of a major metropolitan professional company and school, and has taught on the dance faculties of multiple universities and private studios for thirty years. In addition to her performing and teaching credits, she holds a B.F.A. in Ballet/Theatre and an M.F.A. in Dance. She is a published author in fiction genres as well, and holds an additional M.F.A. in Creative Writing.

Creating Dance Jun 19 2021 Introduces creating dance as a goal, an activity, and a state of being and addresses the woven tapestry of the individual, community, society and culture that brings forth the making of meaning in dance.

Ballet Jan 27 2022 Ballet is a detailed guide to creative practice and performance. Compiled by ten leading practitioners, each chapter focuses on an aspect of ballet as a performing art. Together they outline a journey from the underpinning principles of ballet, through an appreciation of different styles and schooling, into the dance studio for practice in class and beyond. With additional insights from highly acclaimed dancers, choreographers and teachers, this practical guide offers advice on fundamental and advanced training and creative development. As well as providing information from dance science research into training well-being, this book supports the individual dancer in their artistic growth, offering strategies for exploration and discovery. Topics include: principles, styles and schooling of classical ballet; fundamental technique and advanced expression; developing versatility and creative thinking; advice on injury management, nutrition and lifestyle; choreography and music and, finally, best practice in the rehearsal studio is covered. 'A wonderfully accessible and comprehensive resource about the individual disciplines involved in ballet.' Leanne Benjamin OBE, former Principal of The Royal Ballet and international coach

Turning Pointe Dec 02 2019 A reckoning with one of our most beloved art forms, whose past and present are shaped by gender, racial, and class inequities—and a look inside the fight for its future Every day, in dance studios all across America, legions of little children line up at the barre to take ballet class. This time in the studio shapes their lives, instilling lessons about gender, power, bodies, and their place in the world both in and outside of dance. In *Turning Pointe*, journalist Chloe Angyal captures the intense love for ballet that so many dancers feel, while also grappling with its devastating shortcomings: the power imbalance of an art form performed mostly by women, but dominated by men; the impossible standards of beauty and thinness; and the racism that keeps so many people of color out of ballet. As the rigid traditions of ballet grow increasingly out of step with the modern world, a new generation of dancers is confronting these issues head on, in the studio and on stage. For ballet to survive the twenty-first century and forge a path into a more socially just future, this reckoning is essential.

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