



The Art of Whimsical Umbrella Dancing

Instructor:

Drizzle McCloud

Location:

Cotswolds

Course Type:

Creative Arts

Cost:

£65.00

Learning Objectives

- Master the basics of umbrella twirling and footwork synchronization.
- Understand the history and cultural significance of umbrellas in performance art.
- Develop personal style and creativity in dance routines.
- Learn techniques for performing in various weather conditions.
- Explore improvisational dance skills with props.

Provided Materials

- Colourful umbrellas
- Dance instruction booklet
- Music playlist for practice
- Costume accessories
- Performance journal

Skills Developed

Dance

Creativity

Performance Arts

Cultural History

Improvisation

Course Description

In the picturesque setting of the Cotswolds, join Drizzle McCloud, an acclaimed performer and expert in the niche field of umbrella dancing, for a class that transforms the everyday into the extraordinary. "The Art of Whimsical Umbrella Dancing" invites adults to rediscover joy through the playful integration of dance and one of the UK's most iconic accessories— the umbrella. This class begins with a light-hearted history of umbrella usage in the arts, highlighting its significance from Mary Poppins to modern-day Busby Berkeley-inspired routines. Participants will learn basic umbrella handling techniques, including twirling, flipping, and incorporating footwork, under the careful eye of Drizzle McCloud. Students will develop their unique dance style while exploring routines set to a specially curated playlist featuring everything from classic show tunes to contemporary pop hits. They'll also practice improvisation skills, learning to adapt their performances to the whimsical weather conditions of the Cotswolds, whether it be a gentle drizzle or a sunny day. By the end of the class, participants will have choreographed a short group performance, capturing the essence of fun and elegance that defines umbrella dancing. With costume accessories and personalized performance journals provided, students will not only gain confidence on their feet but leave with a memorable experience that brings a splash of joy to their lives.