

West Coast Swing Intensive Training

With

Mario Robau Jr.

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Syracuse, NY

Take your
west coast
swing to the
next level!

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**Want to know how the dance really works?
Want to be a better dancer whether you are competing or social dancing?
Want to gain a new, deeper understanding of the dance?
Why do some dances feel better than others?**

All this can be answered at Mario's Intensive weekend

This is a three-day seminar complete with hand-outs, video evaluation, as well as practical applications covering advanced topics in depth. Among the topics: defining the dance, pattern selection, footwork and syncopation, connection, music theory, music interpretation and much more.

Attendance will be limited to 15 - 20 couples; \$600/couple or \$300/person

It is best to already have a partner when signing up but not necessary. If you sign up as a single we can create a waiting list & do our best to partner you with someone.

The success and popularity of these Intensive Dance Training weekends can not be understated. Learn how to progress from just repeating moves and patterns, to actually dancing. Learn the fine points of Leading, Following, Syncopations, Musical Interpretation and other techniques that will separate you from the majority of dancers on the dance floor. Designed for dancers that are above the beginner level.

12-hour Intensive Schedule: Friday - 7:00-9:00pm,
Saturday - 11:00am-4:00pm, Sunday 11:00am to 4:00pm

Here are a few comments from some who have taken Mario's Intensive Dance Training.

It is difficult to express in words my appreciation of your hosting of the Mario intensive in Cleveland. Even so, I will do my best to do so. As a dancer, this one weekend has forever changed my dancing and how I practice with a partner. Splitting the time 50/50 with a partner will foster success in any dance partnership. What a great idea - simple, and fair. She gets to focus on what she is interested in for her time, and I get to focus on what I'm interested in for my time.

Mario presented an incredibly generous amount of dance knowledge in a very understandable fashion and also gave us methods in which to master and develop the knowledge over time. As a teacher, I am looking forward to, and excited about, sharing my new found knowledge with students. As a DJ, in addition to gaining several new song titles to buy for my collection, I've also learned more about music that will help me better select social music, competition music, and routine music.

As a bystander, I now have greater appreciation for the dancing I watch. Being aware of the elements of dance helps me to enjoy them so much more. As a person, the Mario intensive has enriched my life. It is a wise man who seeks wisdom and a fool who believes he has it.

For over 10 years now, I have been dancing. For over 10 years I have sought to be a good dancer and never expected to reach that ideal. Similarly, and as time went on, I sought to be a good teacher, a good partner, and a DJ. During the Mario intensive my goals have changed. Never expecting to reach these ideals, I now seek to be a great dancer, a great teacher, a great DJ, and a great partner!

One thousand thanks,
Tim

Tim "DJ TJ" Johnson

I too would like to comment on Mario's Intensive. Somehow, Mario was able to explain so that even a 2 year old could understand. I so appreciated all of the time and effort Mario has taken over the years to study his craft. Sharing what has taken him so long, so freely, and giving credit to his mentors, is highly commendable and highly respected.

Basics, it's all about the basics. Sure wish I had this information and teaching when I first got started. I recommend that all teachers consider taking this Intensive. I didn't get it all, but I promise when offered again, I will. Not only do I feel it will make me a better dancer, but also a better judge. Thank you Mario. You truly are the "KING OF SWING".

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Cher

Mom, please post this on-line everywhere (Thank you):

Brent and I were fortunate enough to take Mario's intensive and let me just tell you how INTENSE it was... This is positively the BEST class that Brent and I have EVER taken. Mario broke down this dance to its complete purity. Every year, Brent and I are amazed when Mario puts our routines together. We sit in awe... After his intensive, we understood where his thought process was and understood how he hears EVERYTHING in the music. Everyone in the country makes reference to his unbelievable routines and how he misses NOTHING in the music... well, he explained exactly how he does that and it was truly amazing to see and understand. Before we went into the seminar on Friday night, Brent was extremely worried because those of you who know Brent, know he is SEVERE Attention Deficit. So, he was panicking because he was afraid he would not be able to listen long enough to catch everything he needed to catch. By the end of the intensive, Brent and I were on our way to the last day of the class and we had to stop and get gas... Brent and I were literally out by the pump practicing what we were learning. For Brent, this is UNHEARD OF!! Brent would NEVER dance outside a Gas Station... Hell, I can barely get him to practice our routines for a competition in a DANCE ROOM!!! HAHAAHAHAHA!! (She's telling the truth. BK) Anyway, if anyone ever gets the chance to take this intensive, it's WORTH IT!! People in town were asking Brent and I why we would take the class when we have won the Open multiple times... Our answer to that is this... No matter how many titles, you can NEVER be your BEST and you can NEVER stop LEARNING... Mario has been our choreographer for 7 years and we couldn't do it without him... What a great opportunity to truly learn how he does it...!!! Thank you Mario for preserving "The Dance" and giving credit to those who gave it to YOU!!! You ARE "The King of Swing" and always will be. We love you not just for your talent but for your friendship.

Brent and Kellese Key

To reserve your spot in the Syracuse Intensive, please make your check payable to Mario Robau Jr. and mail it to: Maria Cirino, 98 Sherwood Lane, North Syracuse, NY 13212.

For more information about the 12-hour Intensive Training, please contact Maria Cirino at mcirino@twcny.rr.com or call 315-436-3521

Saturday Evening Dance is planned for the weekend and will feature a WCS lesson open to the public.
315-436-3521 (Maria Cirino, event coordinator)