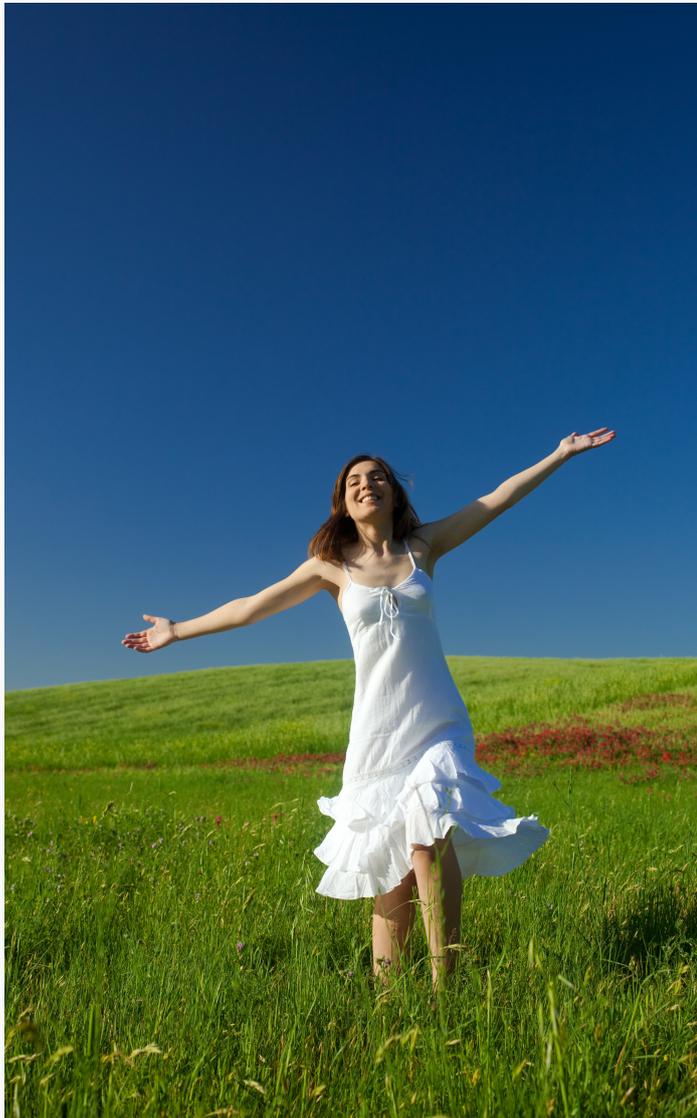


THE CIRCLES

Trio Spin Studio's Newsletter



THE GROUND

WHAT WE ARE THINKING ABOUT

Hello everyone, welcome to the second edition of The Circles.

It's March, and things seem to finally turn for the better. The COVID situation had slowed down in Hong Kong, and social distancing measures had been relaxed. Regular classes had returned to Trio Spin after the Lunar New Year, and our current run of stretching class is in its fifteenth month. Yet there are still more to come, stay tuned!

On this issue, we will look at what Argentine Tango communities around the world had been up to. Also, in this issue, why Argentine Tango can help us go through difficult times.

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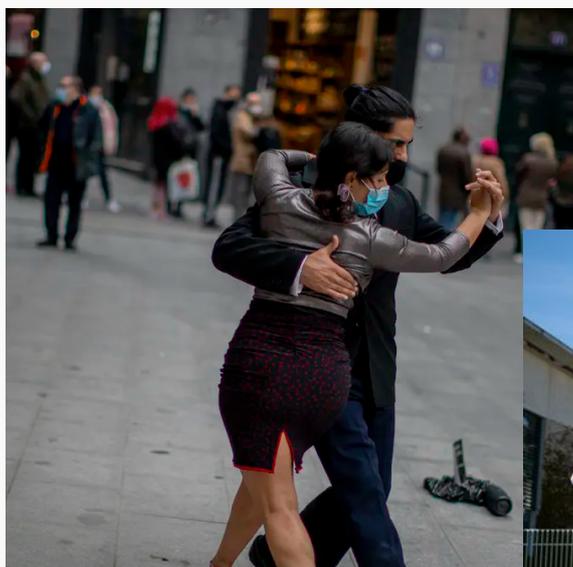
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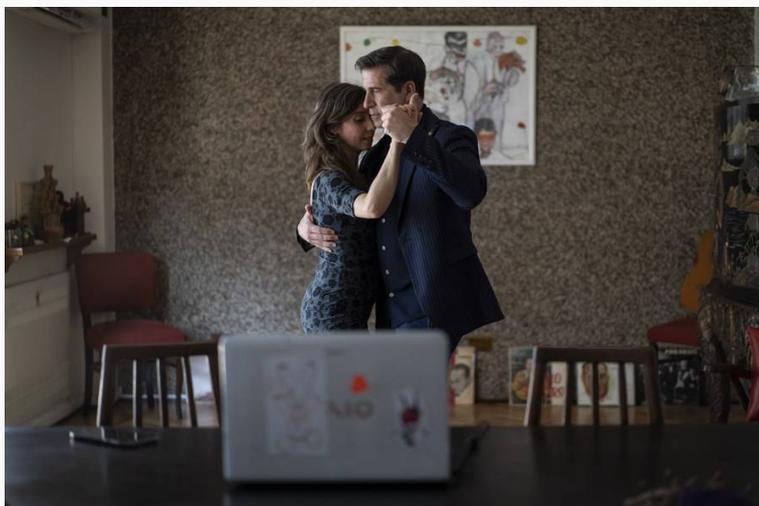
ARGENTINE TANGO AROUND THE PANDEMIC WORLD

It's been almost a year since the COVID pandemic started. Milongas had stopped, and studios are closed. Yet, the global Tango community still find ways to dance.

Those who can go outdoors:



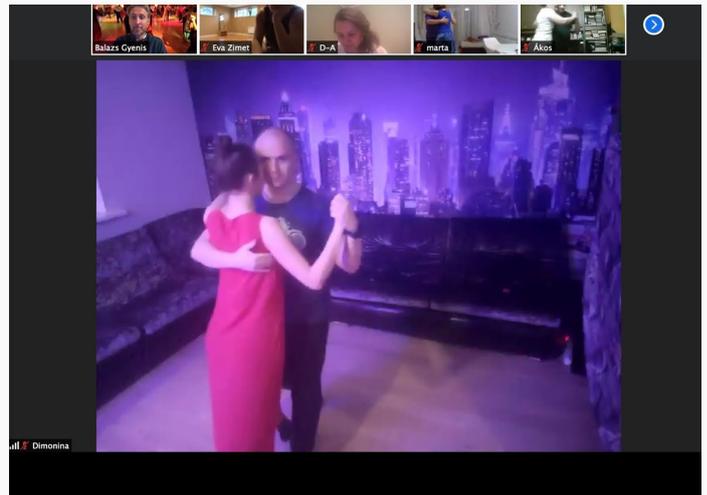
Those who are staying indoors:



And the virtual milongas (Argentine tango parties).



Hundreds attended for the music or dance in their living room. We did one back in July as well.



Doctors danced too.



TANGO HELPS US, ESPECIALLY IN DIFFICULT TIMES

So, why the urge for dancers to keep dancing, and to keep connecting with the Argentine Tango community at large?

Let me tell you a story. It was the earlier days of my Tango journey. I was working a good job then, but my new boss was a pain in the butt. He was the only person who had ever stopped me from attending Tango classes, because overtime (yeah right).

It was a Saturday. I was at a milonga, glad that the boss won't be looking for me. I looked across the dance floor, and a lady was sitting there alone. A foreigner, she seemed to be a visitor, I thought. I walked towards her and ask, "May I dance with you?" She said yes.



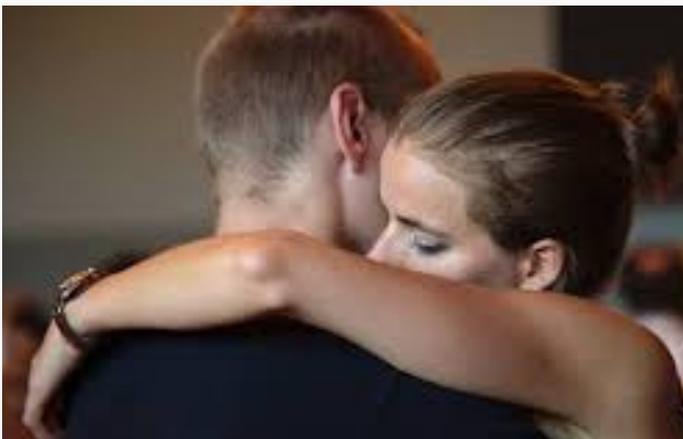
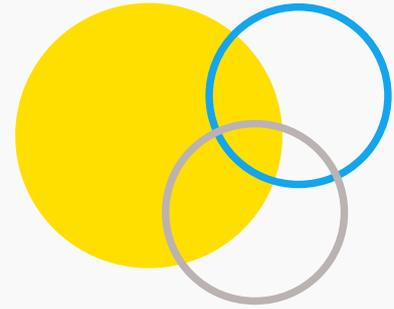
That dance, those three songs we shared, was among the best I had ever. We were together, in each other's embrace. I forgot everything, my work, my family, time, everyone else. I was there with her, and I knew she was there with me, too. I could feel her warmth, a strong sense that a gentle soul resides in her.

She is German, and a visitor. We dance once more before she had to leave, heading back to Germany tomorrow. I wished her a safe flight, and she's gone. I haven't met her since. Didn't ask for her contact, neither did she. Didn't even know her name. Sometimes, I wonder where she was, and whether she is okay.



Argentine Tango music sounds jovial, yet their words are always sad. The dance could be a lot of fun, while what we face every day might not be. Yet, people always seem to go back to the dance floor, and especially when things didn't go right.

We came back to it time and time again, for there's solace that we can dance with the music, together with people we may or may not know. We can express the emotion that we have, be it difficulties in life, work problems, or isolation during a pandemic. We can concentrate on enjoying the moment, the companion, or the music. We get to embrace people, feel their warmth, get to know them a little deeper than usual.



Argentine Tango connects us to the world, to every kind soul out there willing to share our stories. We dance because it is the right thing to do, to be together no matter how things go. In the embrace of another person, we draw strength to face the reality.



AT THE STUDIO

LESSON HIGHLIGHTS

Argentine Tango is an intimate dance, with a strong emphasis on wordless communication and honest responses.



After a long break, our regular Tango class is back! No matter your experience level, come join us to learn the steps and techniques and sail again on your Tango Journey!

Argentine Tango Beginner Class by Candy and Anita Sze

Date/Time:
Every Tuesday 8-9 pm
Every Saturday 3-4 pm

Venue:
Rm 504-505, Enterprise Building,
228-238 Queen's Road Central, Sheung Wan

Medium:
Cantonese and/or English

Fee:
*Flexible Package HKD 2000/10 lessons within 3 months for both Tue and Sat.

Dress code:
Please wear shoes with leather soles. Heels for ladies.

