



“Fire is the test of gold; adversity, of strong men.” – Martha Graham

I'm so excited to invite you to be a part of **Fire & Gold Belly Dance**, the student troupe of Skirt Full of Fire. You may wonder why I didn't add “student troupe” to the title, or you may not...either way, I will tell you. I want Fire & Gold to strive to operate as a self-sufficient troupe, not tied down by the title or expectation of student-level. I want to give you the training and guidance you need to take your dance career as far as you care to.

Below, you will find more details on the requirements of accepting membership in Fire & Gold Belly Dance.

The requirements to be in Fire & Gold Belly Dance are: to attend at least two classes per week, one hour-long rehearsal per week, and one three hour workshop every three months. Required classes are the Monday night Choreography & Combinations class that precedes rehearsal, and either the Belly Dance 101 class or the Drills class. You will receive consistent discounts of 20% off all class packages and \$15 off private lessons. Rehearsals are \$5 per person and 50% of the funds go back into the troupe after rehearsal space rental fee. The money left over will be collected and used for troupe needs such as fuel funds for out of town gigs and entry fees for contests.

The beginning costume requirements to be acquired before the first performance are listed below. You will receive an email with links to purchase either the high-quality version or the less-expensive version.

- Colorful flowy tiered cotton skirt, preferably 25 yards.
- Black jazz pants, Melodias, or pantaloons to be worn under the skirt.
- Black choli top.
- Colorful hip scarf that compliments the color of your skirt.
- Chunky jewelry (bracelets, necklaces, earrings)
- Hair accessories (flowers, headbands, sparkly accessories)
- A simple cover-up (pashmina-style scarves work wonderfully for this)
- After 6 months, you will need to invest in a tribal style bra and belt.

I, _____, have received and read the requirements of membership in Fire & Gold Belly Dance and agree to follow all requirements to the best of my ability. I understand that, should I fail to meet the requirements listed without sufficient excuse, my membership can be revoked.

I will strive to uphold the standards of Skirt Full of Fire to the best of my ability. I will act with professionalism, respect, and desire to learn. I will respect the time and effort of my troupe members by arriving on time, listening while the director is speaking, and being helpful and constructive in classes and rehearsals.

I will fully communicate any issues that might prevent me from following this agreement with the director.

I will act with respect to the ethics of being in a troupe and seek to fully support Fire & Gold Belly Dance.

Print Name

Sign Name

Date