

## Ongoing Dancing Opportunities Around Jackson Area

### Area Nightclubs

**Pop's Around the Corner**, Thurs thru Sun, (go with a friend or group Fri & Sat), redneck country, but good danceable music; some people are scared of this place (and perhaps rightly so, Fri and Sat), but Lesia and I go occasionally on Thurs and Sun, the place is a little quieter, less crowded, and the other people love to watch us dance, and are very friendly toward Lesia. We have never had a problem there. The (linoleum type) tile dance floor is not the greatest, but it's usually reasonably clean, and decent sized - again, dancesneakers or a hard soled street shoe work best. 2536 S Gallatin St. 601-355-3853.

**Shucker's**, usually has good bands Fri and Sat (not sure about other nites), but dance floor (though larger than Panino's) can get very crowded and lately has not been in good condition due to the effects of too much spilled beer, etc. Reservoir Area. 116 Conestoga Rd. Ridgeland 601-853-0105.

**930 Blues Cafe**, Tues thru Sat, I think, usually blues, very small area to dance, though I have also danced outside on the balcony. They also sometimes have a band outside in back, and you can dance on the boardwalk (try to find a spot without too much 'traffic'). Dancesneakers work best here, inside and outside. Better floor condition than Shuckers, though smaller than Panino's. Downtown JXN. 930 N Congress St. 601 948-3344.

**Ameristar Casino Vicksburg:**  
**Ameristar Bottleneck Blues Bar** (Wed

– Sun), Live bands, no cover; **Cabaret Lounge** (Tues thru Sun) has music and a long, narrow, curved area to dance About 45 miles west of Jackson, off I20. Ameristarcasinos.com. 601-638-1000.

**The Hunt Club**, Located inside Jacksonian Inn (formerly Ramada Inn), Nice dance floor w/good R&R/Blues/C&W/Variety band Tues thru Sat, usually plenty of room on the new, larger dance floor on Tues and Thurs, can get crowded Wed and weekend. 1525 Ellis Ave. 601-944-1150.

**Panino's**, Wed thru Sat, Usually a good band similar to Hunt Club, but very small dance floor, can easily get too crowded, but you might luck out some nights. In the Quarter. 1855 Lakeland Drive. 601 713-0383.

**Mardi Gras Nightclub**, big wood dance floor. Good for Tuesday night (ballroom night). The rest of the week it is not danceable. Loud head-banging music on other nights. Downtown JXN 824 S State St. 601 351-3300.

**Jack and Jill's**, (gay/lesb. nightclub). Floor is danceable from around 10:30 to 11:30pm. Go with a group. 3909 Northview Drive. 601 982-5225.

**American Legion** on I55s has C/W on Friday and Saturday nights (house band). Anyone is welcome. It is a family place to dance. They do not put up with any misconduct.

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## Jackson Area Dance Studios

Applause Dance Factory with Jim Frechette  
242 W Stephens St  
Ridgeland, MS 601 856-6168  
[jim@applusedancefactory.com](mailto:jim@applusedancefactory.com)

<http://www.applusedancefactory.com>

Mississippi Dance Doctors with Mike Day  
(Dance Connection) 306 N Bierdeman Rd  
Pearl, MS 601 932-2374  
[dancedoctor@bellsouth.net](mailto:dancedoctor@bellsouth.net)

<http://www.ms dancedoctors.com>

City Lights Dance Studio  
448 N Bierdeman Rd  
Pearl, MS 601 933-1927  
[MELBOX99@aol.com](mailto:MELBOX99@aol.com)

<http://www.citylightsdance.com>

In Step Dance Club  
1855 Lakeland Dr # A21  
Jackson, MS  
601 366-7499  
[isdanceclub@aol.com](mailto:isdanceclub@aol.com)

## Ongoing Weekly Dance Opportunities\*

### Mondays

Dance Connection: Various group classes

### Tuesdays

**Mardi Gras Nightclub:** Group class and **Ballroom Dance**  
Applause: Various group classes  
City Lights: Various group Classes  
**Ameristar Cabaret Lounge, Hunt Club, 930 Blues Cafe**

### Wednesdays

Applause: Various group classes  
City Lights: Various group classes

**Ameristar Bottleneck Blues Bar, Ameristar Cabaret Lounge, Hunt Club Paninos, 930 Blues Cafe**

### Thursdays

Applause: Various group classes  
City Lights: Various group classes  
Dance Connection (MS Dance Doctors): Group class and **Practice Party**  
In Step Dance Club **Practice Party**  
**Hunt Club Nightclub** Good night for dancing there.

**Ameristar Bottleneck Blues Bar, Ameristar Cabaret Lounge, Paninos Pop's, 930 Blues Cafe**

### Fridays

Applause Dance Factory: Various group classes and **weekly dance**  
City Lights: Various group classes and **weekly dance**  
Richland Community Dance Club: has monthly *"Fun Friday"* **dance**. For more info, call Fran Graves at 601-939-2241.

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### Saturdays

**MBDA** has **monthly dance**. Check schedule at [magnoliaballroomdancers.org](http://magnoliaballroomdancers.org).  
Mississippi Country Western Dancer's Association has **monthly Dance**. Check [http://www.geocities.com/mcwwda\\_ms/](http://www.geocities.com/mcwwda_ms/).  
Dance Connection has a **monthly dance**.

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### Sundays

**Ameristar Bottleneck Blues Bar, Ameristar Cabaret Lounge, Pop's**

(\*Current as of June 2006)