



Learn to Tango

Intro to Argentine Tango + Practica Monday May 16th, 2016

5:00 pm - 8:30 pm
USPTO Madison Auditorium South

Curious about tango? Think you can't dance? **If you can walk, you can tango.** Come check out a free tango lesson where you learn from one of DC's most sought after dancers-Gabriel Medeiros of Tango Mercurio. **No partner is required** as exercises are group based. Also find out the best (and free) places to discover the Argentine Tango scene in the DC metro area. Snacks will be provided!

5:00-5:30pm Welcome and Intro - Tango Origins & Modern Tango. Buenos Aires: Tango Orchestras and the Golden Age. Tango Nuevo/Alternative tango. Brief Demo, Modern Tango Structure & Etiquette. Cabeceo, line of dance, improvisation, leading/following: invite/accept. Tango in our Area: Capital Tangueros Google Calendar, terminology: practica vs. milonga; festivals. Beginner-friendly local tango events: MLK library Practica (free), Eastern Market, Pablo's Practica, Tango Mercurio

5:30-6:30pm Beginner's Lesson: The Walking Dance - Walking with the music, partner weight changes, moving in the line of dance, pausing techniques, walking to the cross

6:30-8:30pm Practica: Open to all dancing to DJ'd music for anyone who wants to practice, with instructors available for guidance; asking and assisting others is encouraged.

