

# Swing and sway, the Lindy hop way

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Lindy hop is a playful, social and energetic dance that sometimes contains acrobatic sections, also known as aerials. It is all about having fun, communicating with your dance partner and enjoying the music. After a few basic steps, anyone is ready to dance.

Lindy hop is an Afro-American dance rooted in the 1930s Harlem, New York. It developed from the 1920s Charleston and had its peak during the 1930s and 40s. During the 1950s and 60s it took on new forms, such as jive, rock 'n' roll, and later on the Swedish dance called "bugg".

Lindy hop was revived in the 1980s and the lindy fever is still spreading all over the globe. Other swing dances include balboa, shag, boogie-woogie, and Charleston to name a few.

The swing era began in the late 1930s. Bands and artists such as Duke Ellington, Jimmie Lunceford, Benny Goodman, Louis Armstrong, Billie Holiday, Ella Fitzgerald, Glenn Miller, Count Basie, and Artie Shaw were highly popular. Their music is still being played today and gives lindy hop its characteristic feel and rhythm.

**The event.** Ritz Lindy Hoppers is organizing a swing night on Saturday 21.4. at Swing Wasa, Kauppapuistikko 38. The evening starts with a free drop in lindy hop taster at 19:00.

– You don't need a partner to join this taster but be prepared to couple up during class. It's a great way to meet new people, says **Sabine Mickelson**, president of Ritz Lindy Hoppers.

One will have the opportunity to try out your new moves on the dance floor as the taster turns into a swing night featuring a potluck party, groovy music, social dancing and friendly faces.



Lindy hop is a fun and energetic partner dance with its roots in the 1930s Harlem, New York. The Swing Night takes place on April the 21st in Vaasa. PHOTO: ALEX HOUM

Please note that there is a voluntary and very nominal entrance fee if you plan on joining the actual swing night.

**The organization.** Ritz Lindy Hoppers is a non-profit organization dedicated to

spreading the swing dancing fever in Ostrobothnia. The organization arranges lindy hop classes, swing nights, tasters and performances.

If you would like to learn more about the dance styles of the 1930s, or when Ritz Lindy

Hoppers are organizing their next taster or class, please visit their website [www.ritzlindyhoppers.com](http://www.ritzlindyhoppers.com) for more info about upcoming events.

Classes are held in the Swing Wasa dance studio, but swing nights and tasters are popping

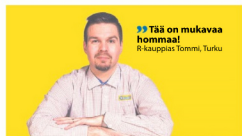
up all over Vaasa, mainly at Swing Wasa but also at Skafferiet at Ritz and at the Doo-Bop Club.

During the summer time, there is outdoor dancing, and the organization loves to support local jazz bands, for

example at Fondis Street Blues & Street Jazz.

– You are free to join anytime there is a taster and feel free to register for a full class, says Mickelson.

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