

Review of: "Flourishing in Salsa Dance: A Qualitative Investigation of Aesthetic, Artistic, and Creative Contributions"

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Title/Abstract: the abstract is clear and summarizes the work well. I agree with the other reviewer on expanding the list of keywords to include Latin social dancing, salsa, etc. I also agree with the other reviewer on mentioning the PERMA model in the title.

Methods: the mode of data collection and analysis are clear and easy to follow. As a qualitative piece, I appreciate the authors including their positionality in the work.

Analysis: ample use of quotes support their analysis and provides richness to the text. However, it is sometimes the quotes don't have quotation marks and this is a bit confusing at times. I know in print, these would be offset from the text and obvious as longer quotes, but online, it isn't immediately clear. Each of the main themes could benefit with a transition paragraph at the end that summarizes the theme's findings and carries us to the next.

Conclusions/recommendations: Adding in examples of how this work could be utilized by public health professionals or dance instructors could be beneficial.

Final comment: Overall, the article provides great insight into the health (both physical and mental) benefits of Latin social dancing. Providing some recommendations on how to use the findings (i.e., through advertising dancing, educating health professionals, etc.) could help this work by gain traction outside academia. Additionally, stronger transition paragraphs between the analysis sub-sections would improve readability.

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