

September Interviews

Interviewee: Clara Capacity: Club Member

Hello Clara, how are you today?

Hello, Azzy. [laughs] I'm well, thank you!

We are here to interview you as a club member for Dance club. To start off, could you please introduce yourself?

Sure thing! Hello, I'm Clara, a member of the Dance Club for about 3 months now? But I'm also the club leader for Writing Club, co-leader for SAC (Song Analysis Club) and a mentor helper here in the main server.

How long have you been in this club?

For about 3 months now, yes.

What's your favorite thing about the club?

The atmosphere, I think. Sous and company have all been very welcoming, especially considering I'm quite a newbie to dancing. But they've been nothing but kind and encouraging!

What is a fun memory you have in this club?

I haven't got that many yet, I'll be honest [*laughs*] but playing Skribblio during the first month was a lot of fun for someone who had just joined, and we did get a little inside joke going thanks to that, so that was fun.

When did you start dancing?



Literally when I joined? [*laughs*] I've been interested in dance since forever really, I've always enjoyed watching other people dance, especially people who are good at it and who you can see are really enjoying it, but I have a bit of two-left-feet syndrome [*laughs*] so it's been there, and when I joined the \circ]· \Box] KSG server (and had the time), the dance club seemed like a great excuse to just get started in my bedroom without the pressure of going to a class. It would just be people probably at the same level as me, so I thought there would be more of a camaraderie feeling.

Would you say that's how you got into dance or was there another reason?

Not so much how I got interested in dancing, but probably the main reason I'm actually attempting it. I think I'm not alone in that, when I found K-pop with its infinite amount of frankly "earwarm-y" choreos, I wanted to maybe try them out. [*laughs*] They are infectious, those damn choreos!

How do you feel about dance?

Oh, I think it's amazing! People who can dance have all the respect from me. [*laughs*] I very much wish I could have that amount of confidence and body control, but I am still too clumsy. [*laughs*] There is just something so entrancing about watching other people move like that, no matter the style (much as I have favorites hehe)

Do you have a favorite dance you've learnt thus far?

Mmm... Granted, I haven't learnt all that much, but probably View by SHINee? It's hard to say just because I've only learnt bits and pieces of choreos so far that I do every time the songs come up, but View is [heart eyes] (and I am a Shawol first and foremost... [laughs])

Have you ever turned your camera on in a call?



I haven't, no! I figure the internet connection is too unstable to work properly and it will probably just make it a little confusing for everyone to have two people with the cameras on.

If you ever thought the internet connection was stable, would you turn your camera on? - basically would you consider turning it on in future?

Maybe! It's just a bit of a hassle finding a place to put the camera, really [*laughs*] but who knows? I might one day.

What are the interesting things you've learnt in the club and name something you've gained?

Well, I did learn more about belly dancing than I ever thought I would! That was interesting. As for things I've gained... I guess the main two would be: a) More interaction with other people on the server. Since I'm not particularly active in the bathroom break channel, my interactions happen mostly in the clubs, and the Dance Club has a lot of people that aren't in the other clubs, so it was fun getting to know some new people! b) A bit more confidence? (I say with a question mark [*laughs*]) I actually thought I was a lot more stiff and bad at dancing than I am, but learning an entire minute of ASAP and doing it was actually like "hey, I can actually learn choreo!" Obviously, the idols in question are leagues ahead of me, but I might catch up in a couple of years. [*laughs*]

Do you think your dancing has improved since being in this club?

It might be a little too early to say, really, but I think it's heading there!

How are club leadership?

Sous, Sol and Namu? They are super nice! I've mostly interacted with Sous, she's an angel, but they've all been fun to hang out with and I hope to get to know them better with time!

How do you like the assignments?

Again, I've only had two so far, so take my opinions however you like [*laughs*] but they're fun! I'm hoping to see what other kinds of assignments there



might be in the future that aren't learning a choreo, but I'm sure they'll figure something out.

Are alternatives offered if you are uncomfortable recording yourself?

Not really, but I also don't see how you can prove you've learnt a choreo without showing it so I understand the logistical issue here. Obviously, it also made me nervous when I joined, the fact I had to record myself dancing, but knowing I only had to show it to Sous did help a lot.

Do you receive feedback for the assignments?

I do get a message saying something like "great job, love the place you filmed at!" [*laughs*] So she does watch it, at least! But I'm sure if I asked for tips or something, Sous would probably hand them out. I'm just fine with this amount of feedback [*laughs*]

What are the things you don't like about the club or things you wish to change?

Mmm, things to improve... Perhaps the types of stuff to do? I will keep stressing I've only been here for a short time, so someone else might have better ideas, but it would be fun to have a different activity than learning choreo once in a while! But I get the feeling the leadership already knows this.

What were your expectations going into this club?

I guess I was expecting it to have many people who would be much better dancers than me (which there probably are, but I'm not watching them), and I would feel more like a complete newbie [*laughs*] a bit of my worries creeping in, I guess.

Lastly, Would you recommend members to join the club? If so, why?

Definitely! If they are like me and are just looking for an excuse to dance, it's definitely worth going for it! We're all just dancing in our rooms after all, so no pressure to be, like, social media levels of good. It's all good fun!



Thank you for attending the interview Clara!

