

## Meet the international teachers for Swing Dance Camp 2018



Anne-Helene & Bernard Cavasa

Anne-Helene & Bernard fell in love with Lindy Hop in late 1997. Since then they have participated in all major international courses and met the dance teachers most famous in swing- both lindy hop and balboa. With Anne-Helene's dancing skills in ballet, jazz and modern jazz and Bernard's experience as a musician, they were quickly noticed for their style on the French scene.

They began to pass on their passion in 2001, and since then they have taught in the biggest camps in the United States, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, throughout Asia, and across Europe: England, Sweden, Germany, Holland, Belgium, Switzerland, Austria, Finland, Slovenia, Scotland, Spain, Italy, Russia, Ukraine ... and everywhere in France!

In January 2003, they set up their swing dance school in Toulouse, the Studio Hop, in which they animate all lindy classes in the evenings, including balboa, Charleston and blues in a festive and relaxed atmosphere. They also choreograph for their troupe, the Tagada Swing Swing, who have won several times in the main European troupe competitions.

Anne-Helene and Bernard are also organizers of major stage and festival events: the Pink City Swing and Balboa Festival since 2003, the Studio Hop Summer Camp, the Frenchie Balboa Festival, the Crazy Rhythm Challenge, and Hot Blues.

As social dancers, they participate only very rarely in competitions but were noticed at Balboa Rendezvous 2005 and 2006, finishing 3rd International Balboa Championship. In June 2007, they won the American Classic Balboa Championships in Cleveland, the biggest competition of Balboa, considered the world championship; they are still the only non-US holders of this title.

Insatiable, they continue to seek, discuss and work with the greatest dancers and technicians worldwide. They are known for their very fluid and harmonious style, creativity and musicality ... and humour!



Fabien and Lisa met in Herrang, Sweden in 2010 and have been teaching and dancing together ever since. Coming from different backgrounds they both bring their own particular expertise, talents, and enthusiasm to the partnership.

Fabien comes from Grenoble, France and has been teaching swing dancing since 2004, specializing in lindy hop and blues. His love of choreography has led to him to choreograph a number of successful showcases performed at ILHC and other events, as well as the recent 'French Connection' Team that placed 2<sup>nd</sup> at ILHC and ESDC.

Lisa is a professional dancer from London, now living in France. Classically trained from the age of 6 she discovered her love for all styles of dance whilst studying for her degree in Theatre Dance at London Studio Centre. After leaving college she worked professionally in the commercial dance world, specializing in hip-hop. She then discovered and fell in love with lindy hop and blues and has immersed herself in all things swing ever since.

Together and separately they have competed and placed in many competitions. (recently winning 1st place in the open showcase at ILHC, 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the Classic Open at ILHC, 3<sup>rd</sup> place in showcase at Camp Hollywood in LA and European Swing dance Champions in the slow lindy division in 2013, 2<sup>nd</sup> place in 2015).

Their fun natured teaching style, yet ability to breakdown a movement, means their classes are a perfect mix for those wanting to progress their dancing.

Constantly pushing themselves in their own dancing means they understand the work that goes into becoming a better dancer and are passionate about sharing their experiences and helping others to achieve their goals