

Community Agreement

Our community values freedom in dancing, but we understand that this freedom only exists where there is safety and clear consent. This document establishes the basis of our coexistence, detailing the values we uphold and the conduct we expect from each member. By joining this space, you commit to caring for the physical and emotional well-being of others, ensuring that Forró remains a space of inclusion, where 'no' is respected and diversity is celebrated.

Communication and Consent

Everything that happens while dancing should be consensual and depending on the day or the person, different needs and boundaries may arise. *Example:* just because I danced closely with person X yesterday, does not mean I want to do so today, or with person Z.

- Consent is ongoing and context-specific, not a permanent agreement.
- Dancing should be fun and not compulsory. That's why the rule here is: "Only **yes** means yes".
- Everyone has the right to say "no" or stop the dance at any time without the obligation of an explanation.
- Respect physical boundaries during dances and in the shared space.
- Don't assume the dance role of your partner because of their gender. In our community dance roles are not tied to gender. Feel free to invite anyone for a dance, regardless of their perceived gender.
- Listening to non-verbal cues.

Hygiene

Forró is a dance of close embrace. Good hygiene makes the dance more comfortable to all involved.

Possible ways to do that:

- taking a shower before class.
- using deodorant and taking one with you (at parties we usually provide some in the washroom - feel free to use it!).
- brushing your teeth and using breath mints.
- being mindful about the amount of perfume or cologne you're using.
- bringing an extra set of clothes to change and a small towel if you sweat a lot.

Privacy - Picture and Videos

Be aware that by registering for our events you consent to pictures and videos of you being taken and published on our social media and in print.

- If there is a picture of you published which you didn't consent to, please let us know so we can resolve the issue amicably.
- If you do not want to be photographed, let the organizers and/or photographers know ahead of time, and we will do our best to try and accommodate you.
- As an event participant, be mindful of other people's privacy when filming or photographing.

What We Don't Tolerate

- Racism, sexism, ableism, homophobia, transphobia, xenophobia, any form of discrimination.
- Unsolicited physical contact.
- Harassment (verbal, non-verbal, physical).
- Intoxicated or aggressive behaviour.

Accountability & Reporting

If you feel uncomfortable or witness a violation of this agreement:

We are committed to maintaining a transparent and fair accountability process.

- If you experience or witness a disregard for personal boundaries, please talk to the organizers of our events, workshops or classes.
- You may report anonymously via the [Report Form](#)
- All reports are handled confidentially.
- Speak up or offer support if you witness inappropriate behaviour.

Depending on the severity, possible outcomes include:

- A conversation and warning.
- Temporary or permanent exclusion from events.
- Mediation, if all parties agree.

Your Role as a Community Member

By participating in Let's Forró Community, you agree to:

- Abide by this community agreement.
- Contribute to a culture of care and mutual respect.
- Take responsibility for your impact, even if it differs from your intention.

Accountability Clause

We reserve the right to remove individuals from events or the community who violate this agreement, especially in cases of harassment, racism, or repeated boundary-crossing. Our goal is not punishment, but protection and care.

We are all co-creators of this space

This agreement is reviewed annually with community input. We welcome your feedback and suggestions.

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