

# Having A Ball

Queen City Ballroom Shines with Elegance

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Dana Glandon, owner of Queen City Ballroom, is an accomplished dancer.

When ballroom dancer Dana Glandon opened Queen City Ballroom in 2002, she spared no expense in creating Charlotte's first and most elegant grand ballroom. Every aspect of the studio communicates the glamour of the ballroom dance lifestyle. Crystal chandeliers adorn a 14-foot, coffered ceiling. Floating hardwood floors, a circular bar, a digital sound system, theater lighting, and Hollywood-style dressing rooms all add to the ambiance. The full kitchen allows the Ballroom to serve as an event venue for parties and receptions, as well.

Glandon is a national ballroom dance champion who knows the right steps both on and off the dance floor. Through-

out her career, she has built three successful ballrooms and is recognized as a leader in Charlotte's ballroom dance community. Her Queen City Ballroom has won the Top Studio award at Charlotte's prestigious North Carolina Classic Dance Competition every year since 2001.

The key to Queen City Ballroom's success, from the beginning, has been Glandon's singular vision to provide the highest quality and most affordable dance instruction. From group classes to one-on-one private training, instructors at the studio create a dance experience that is designed for dancers of all levels to enjoy.

According to Glandon, it is the combination of elegance, exercise, and a friendly atmosphere that makes ballroom dancing a unique experience. "What's wonderful about ballroom dancing is that it brings so many people together," she says. "It's a great fitness activity that you can start at any age, from pre-teen to senior."

Glandon firmly believes in giving back to the community that supports her. "For over 20 years we've produced two Broadway-style shows a year to benefit local charities," she says. "So, I'm always 'dancing with the stars!'" **TCW**

## ToLearnMore

Queen City Ballroom is located at 10403 Park Road, Suite I. Hours are Mon. through Fri., 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., Sat. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Sun. by appointment. For information, call 704/541-5440, or visit [www.queencityballroom.com](http://www.queencityballroom.com).

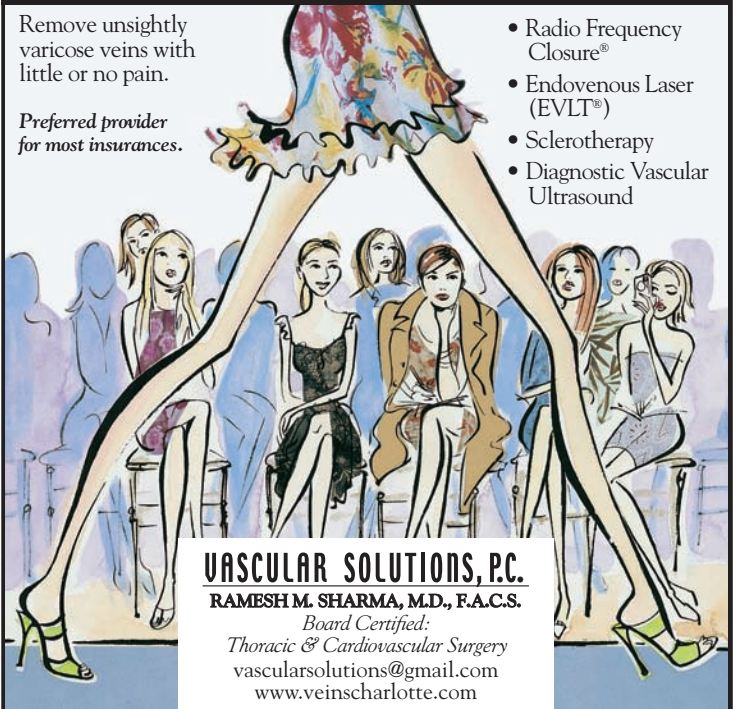
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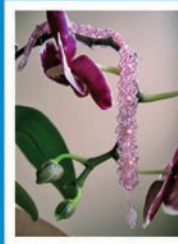
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