

Contra Dance Etiquette For The Guys

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It's my hope you realize
When you're dancing with a girl
You gotta think about more than the next twirl

First up on the docket is the older guys
Don't worry I'm gettin' to the younger guys
You guys are supposed to be wise, so I'm surprised
What I see happenin' with my own eyes
Lets say you're dancing with a girl who's pretty and young
You think "It's just contra dancing, I can flirt with this one"
DAAAAMN dawg, what's wrong with you, son?
She's fifteen and you're sixty-one!
Don't worry, I'm not saying you're a pedophile
But, put on her shoes and walk around for a couple miles
What, you find may not be so kind
Old sweaty guys just might not be your style!

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All right younger guys, it's your turn!
I'm gonna make your ego crash and burn
You think everyone's in love with you well I got news for you!
It ain't all about you, when you gonna learn to dance
Best for your partner
Best for your hands-four

Best for the whole line
Best for the entire floor
That's the golden rule that you should live for
Stop treatin' common sense like it's a damn chore!
Go ahead, call me old-fashioned
But dippin' a girl without asking is lacking compassion
I've seen elbows crashing
into heads that are bashing
Into the floor...what for?
Just so that you can be the hottest guy on the dance floor?

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You got your Ashe-villains tearin' up the scene
But you make contradancing look a little obscene
You got your West Coast, being all cool
But you can't dance Money Musk at Dancin' Fool
Got your Greenfield, Cambridge, I'm your biggest fan
But you can seem a little snobby in New England
I love the dance community, it's got a hold on me
So fellas, let's make it better – who's with me?

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It should not be a surprise

Keep your hand off of her butt

Thank you very much

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