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Because You Loved Me

44 Count, 2 Wall, Improver/Intermediate, NC2S Choreographer: Joan Price (USA) Dec 08 Choreographed to: Because You Loved Me by Celine Dion CD: Falling Into You

Start on the word "times"

Nightclub 2-step basic L, R; 1/4 turn R on Ntclub basic L, step R, L, pivot 1/2 R

- 1,2 &, Step L to L side, rock R behind L, recover onto L;
- 3,4 & Step R to R side, rock L behind R, recover onto R
- 5,6&, Turn ¹/₄ to Right while stepping L to L side, rock R behind L, recover onto L (3:00)
- 7, 8& Walk forward R, L, pivot turn ½ R stepping onto R (9:00)

3 Scissors: L, R, L; R brush hitch cross

1&2, 3&4 Rock L to L side, recover R, cross L over R, Rock R to R side, recover L, cross R over L

5&6, 7&8 Rock L to L side, recover R, cross L over R, brush R beside L, hitch R knee, cross R over L

Chasse L, R sailor 1/4 turn, syncopated lock steps ("joeys")

- 1&2, 3&4 Side shuffle L, R, L; R ¼ turning sailor step (sweep R behind L turning ¼ R, recover L, step R forward) (12:00)
- 5&6&7&8& Step L forward to L diagonal, lock R behind L, step L forward to L diagonal, step R forward to R diagonal, lock L behind R, step R forward to R diagonal, step L forward to L diagonal, step R forward (end weight on R)

4 Sways, L point drag x 2

- 1, 2, 3, 4 Sway hips L, R, L, R
- 5, 6, 7, 8 Extend L leg to L side pointing toes, drag L leg in beside R (wt. on R), repeat

Turning Nightclub basics: in place, 1/2 L, 1/4 R, 1/4 L

- 1,2 &, Step L to L side, rock R behind L, recover onto L;
- 3,4 & Turn ¹/₂ L while stepping R to R side, rock L behind R, recover onto R (6:00)
- 5,6&, Turn ¹/₄ to Right while stepping L to L side, rock R behind L, recover onto L (9:00)
- 7, 8& Turn 1/4 L while stepping R to R side, rock L behind R, recover onto R (6:00)

L point drag x 2

1, 2, 3, 4 Extend L leg to L side pointing toes, drag L leg in beside R (wt. on R); repeat

Restarts: Please don't be afraid of the phrasing - restarts are easy to hear, and the song is beautiful.

- Wall 1 Dance all 44 counts, end facing 6:00
- Wall 2 Dance 36 counts, restart after 1/2 turning nightclub, section 5, facing 12:00
- Wall 3 Dance all 44 counts, end facing 6:00
- Wall 4, 5, 6 Dance 32 counts, restart after point/drags, section 4, facing 6:00
- Wall 7 Dance ends during section 4 at 12:00 strike a pose and hold

Choreographer's note: This dance can be turned into a beginning level, 16-count, 4-wall line dance by dancing just the first 2 sections and repeating – no restarts.

Because You Loved Me is dedicated to the memory of Robert Rice, my partner in dance, love, and life.

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