

Maks and Peta Went Undercover at Steps on Broadway

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Oh, dance #pranks!

Maksim Chmerkovskiy and Peta Murgatroyd, as if it needs to be said, are incredible ballroom dancers with multiple “Dancing with the Stars” championships to their names. (They’re also a smokin’-hot offstage couple.) But what if Maks and Peta were just two not-so-talented olds trying to shuffle their way through an open dance class?

That’s the question “Good Morning America” posed this week. For a special “GMA Undercover” segment, the show put Maks and Peta in some pretty effective disguises—fake bellies and aggressive wigs were involved—and dropped them into a musical theater class at NYC’s Steps on Broadway, where the duo did their best bad dancing.

Basically, they tried to look like Aunt Linda and Uncle Jerry* on the dance floor at cousin Ashley’s wedding—and because they’re overachievers in everything they do, they were darn convincing. Not that it was easy for them to go against all their better dance instincts. “I was trying not to laugh at the people who were laughing at me,” Murgatroyd said. “It was kind of hard to be off beat, actually.”

Eventually Maks and Peta couldn’t help but bust out a fabulous little salsa number, cluing in their legitimately clueless classmates. You just can’t keep world-class dancers down.

Enjoy all the delightful awkwardness:



Maks and Peta’s alter egos (via @petamurgatroyd)

*For the record, their official code names were [Bob and Ronda](#). Which is amazing.