

Hershey School of Dance & Arts

NEWSLETTER

DECEMBER 2025

at Hershey School of Dance & Arts,
we believe...

Dance is Joy.

Dance is Freedom.

Dance is Expression.

Dance is Community.

Dance is Life.



Welcome December!

As 2025 comes to an end, there is so much going on at the dance studio. Registration is now open for workshop style classes that start up in January- there are classes for preschool to adult dancers.

Miss Meg is holding an Adult Contemporary POP UP on December 6, sign up now!

Class visitation will be held this month and we are so excited to show you all we have learned!

Hollis, Jenn, Jess, & Emily

In the Spotlight...

HOLIDAY POP UP CLASS

December 6: REGISTRATION OPEN!

It's been too long....can't wait to be back with you, we'll be learning a combo to Ben Platt's version of "River".

Do what you LOVE 

ADULT CONTEMPORARY with MEG O
18+

POP UP CLASS
Saturday December 6
12:15-1:30pm
register at
HERSHEYDANCE.COM
or drop in \$25



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WORKSHOPS RETURNING

2026 Workshop Registration NOW OPEN! Movement Magic, Discover Hip Hop, Discover Tap & Ballet, Adult Tap, Adult Ballet Barre & Stretch, Adult Combo, and Adult Hip Hop will be returning in the new year! [REGISTER](#)

REGISTRATION OPEN 

movement magic
dance for preschoolers

Movement Magic is a creative movement class designed for our youngest movers and shakers. Students use props, music, and imaginative play to help build rhythm, balance, body awareness, and coordination.

new session starting in
JANUARY!

Classes for ages 3-4
TUESDAYS 10am
WEDNESDAYS 10am
SATURDAYS 9am
HERSHEYDANCE.COM



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discover try it!
dance try it!
workshops introduction to dance now enrolling for ages 4-9

try it! **hip** try it!
hop try it!
tap try it!
& ballet try it!

HERSHEY SCHOOL OF DANCE & ARTS

ADULT BALLET BARRE & STRETCH TUESDAY 10-10:45am	ADULT TAP WORKSHOPS BEGINNER TUESDAY 11am INT/ADV WEDNESDAY 11am
HSDA Adult Workshops	
ADULT HIP HOP Monday 6:30-7:15pm	ADULT COMBO Saturday 11:15am
NOW ENROLLING new sessions in JANUARY!	

HSDA MERCH & GIFT CERTIFICATES

Just in time for the holidays, HSDA MERCH online shop is coming soon! Also available for Holiday gift giving, we have a selection of stickers, hats, tank tops, shorts, tights, and dancewear available in the lobby for last minute stocking stuffers. Gift Certificates are also available for purchase in various amounts~ give the gift of DANCE this holiday season. ❤️

CLASS VISITATION: **SAVE THE DATE!**

Workshop class visitation is scheduled for their 12th and last class session. Loved ones are invited to come see what we have learned over the course of the workshop! Those visitation dates are as follows:

Wednesday workshops: December 3rd

Friday workshops: December 12th

Saturday workshops: December 6th

Saturday Adult Combo: December 13th

Year round performing class visitation will be held the weeks of December 8-20. Loved ones are invited to choose one week to come observe class. Students will share what they have been learning and teachers can share the class song and costume for our May recital. We can't wait for you to see us in action!

Partnering with Cocoa Packs Presents

We are partnering with Cocoa Packs for the holiday season! This organization provides food, clothing, and holiday gifts to local families in need throughout the year. A collection box is located inside our lobby for your donations of new, unwrapped toys, or gift wrapping essentials. More information is available at cocoapacks.org/presents.

ZUMBA is BACK!

Zumba with Kristen is BACK! Drop in Sundays at 6pm for the perfect way to kick off your week. Drop In \$10/class.

★STUDENT SHOWCASE★

Students in 4th grade and up are invited to participate in our **FIFTH ANNUAL STUDENT SHOWCASE**. This is an opportunity for students to be creative and choreograph their own dances. Dances can be solos, duets, or small groups. Teacher mentors will be available if needed. A performance will be held on February 7, 2026 at PA DANCESPORT to showcase the student dances. We cannot wait to see what you create! Please reach out to Miss Hollis if you have questions or need guidance. Submissions to participate must be turned in by December 19. Pick up a submission form from your teacher or the front desk or print it out and turn it in to the front desk or email it to hersheyschoolofdance@verizon.net. [STUDENT SHOWCASE FORM](#)



PAY IT FORWARD: Sponsor a Dancer

In keeping with the idea of making dance accessible to all who would like to participate, we have opened a Sponsor a Dancer gift option in our online store. At Hershey School of Dance & Arts, every child deserves the chance to shine on stage, express themselves through movement, and grow with confidence. By sponsoring a dancer, you help provide tuition assistance, costumes, and performance opportunities to students who may not otherwise be able to participate. Your gift purchase directly supports a young artist's journey—nurturing their creativity, discipline, and passion for the performing arts.

Give the gift of dance. Change a life. Whether you're honoring a loved one, supporting the arts, or simply want to make a difference, your generosity helps keep the joy of dance accessible to all. **If you or someone you know could benefit from this type of support, please reach out by email at hersheyschoolofdance@verizon.net with SCHOLARSHIP in the subject.**

PRIVATE LESSONS

- One on one instruction.
- 30 minute session \$45.
- Style and focus of student's choice.
- Day/Time to be determined by student & teacher.

SMALL GROUP SESSIONS

- 45 minute Small Group instruction.
- 2-4 Students- style and focus of students' choice.
- 2 Students: \$70, 3 Students: \$95, 4 Students: \$120.
- Day/Time TBD by student & teacher

Please email hersheyschoolofdance@verizon.net attn: Hollis to schedule

We CELEBRATE these JOYS!

WAVES Dance Convention

Students and Teachers attended the inaugural WAVES Dance Convention in Harrisburg last month. It was a great learning experience for the students and teachers alike and very special to support our friends in the dance community as they start something new. Congratulations to the students for their hard work, great attitudes, and representing HSDA so beautifully! And shout out to Miss Caty for winning an Artistry Award!



Dancer & Teacher Productions

Congratulations to all the HSDANCERS and instructors that have performances this fall in school and local community productions. We love seeing you and your work on the stage! Keep shining your light!

Philadelphia Thanksgiving Day Parade

Congratulations Dancers on a terrific performance! You make us so proud and represent HSDA so well! And a giant THANK YOU to Miss Jenn for continuing to make this opportunity a fun experience! Such a memorable tradition!



CALLING ALL BOOKWORMS -

We are so excited to celebrate our love of books through this year's theme. Here's a chance to share some storytime together. Mark your calendars and join us for this family-friendly reading event!

Bring your family & join us for

Once Upon a Picnic

Sunday, December 14
2:00-3:30

Get comfy in the studio while we share our favorite books!



Hear Miss Jenn read favorite stories out loud & enjoy time reading with your family and dance friends.

Bring your books blankets, pillows and stuffies!

Free Admission!

Snacks and bake sale items will be available for purchase. All proceeds benefit the NEW HSDA scholarship initiative

RVSP

bake sale sign up



DID YOU KNOW?

INCLEMENT WEATHER

You will be notified through your parent portal and social media of any schedule changes or closures due to inclement weather..

WHAT IF I AM SICK?

We would like to remind all dancers and their families that you should refrain from coming to dance classes if you are sick. Please rest and return to dance when you are feeling better. Help keep our dance community healthy! You are able to mark your child absent through your parent portal.

VIRTUAL OPTION

A virtual option will be made available to students that are unable to attend class in person. Please email any requests for Zoom in advance- up to 10am on the day of class. Please notify us at hersheyschoolofdance@verizon.net. Once you have notified us of the need- you will find the Zoom camera icon in your portal, in the calendar, under the class.

PARKING LOT SAFETY

Parents: Please walk your children to and from the building. Please do not have them cross the parking lot alone.

Dancers: Please wear street clothes or cover-ups to and from the building. Please wait inside the building to be picked up. With the change in outside temperatures it's important to have warm clothes to enter and leave the building in. Even if you're warm after class, you need to be dressed for the colder elements to prevent injuries. NO dance shoes in the parking lot or worn outside the building. The dirt and oils from the ground outside is harmful to our dance floors.

SNACKS

Have a break between classes, and you want a little something to tame that hunger before your next class? We have individual snacks available for purchase at the front desk. Please check out the selection and if you have suggestions for future snacks to have for sale, please be sure to let us know.

LOST & FOUND

Come collect your belongings! Items not collected by the end of the year will be donated.

FRONT DESK HOURS

The Front Desk will be open during regular class hours during the fall dance season.

Monday 1-8:15pm

Tuesday 4:30-7:45pm

Wednesday 4-7:45pm

Thursday 4:30-7:45pm

Friday 4-7:45pm

Saturday 9-11:45am

Please email with any questions or concerns. Hersheyschoolofdance@verizon.net

Need to reach us?

EMAIL US! Email is the most efficient and quickest way to get a hold of us. If you prefer to talk on the phone, no worries, we are always happy to respond with a phone call.

TUITION

Tuition is posted by the first Monday of the month. Tuition is due on the 15th*. If you enrolled in auto-pay, it will post just before the 15th. A \$5.00 fee will be assessed for late payments.

*Please NOTE May tuition is due on the 1st

2025-2026 Calendar

- **DECEMBER Dates: Workshop Visitation, see above**
- **December 8-20: Class Visitation**
- **December 21- January 4: Winter Break**
- **January 3-4: Excel in Motion**
- **January 5: Classes Resume**
- **January 5 - March 28: Workshops, Movement Magic, & Discover Dance Session**
- **January 15: Costume Balances DUE**
- **February 7: Student Showcase**
- **March 23-28 Workshop Visitation**
- **March 30 - April 5: Spring Break**
- **Dance Pictures TBA**
- **May 11-16: Show Week: rehearsal and performances at the Hershey Theatre**