

NEWSLETTER

March 2025

at Hershey School of Dance & Arts,
we believe...
Dance is Joy.
Dance is Freedom.
Dance is Expression.
Dance is Community.
Dance is Life.



Hershey School of Dance & Arts Recital 2025: *celebrate!*

Rehearsals at the Whitaker Center Sunday May 18 through Thursday May 22.

Celebration 1 Friday Show May 23, 6:30pm*

Celebration 2 Saturday Show May 24, 11am*

Celebration 3 Saturday Show May 24, 6:30pm*

Celebration 4 Sunday Show May 25, 2pm*

* Please NOTE these time changes from past performances!

As we prepare for our annual recital we are excited to share some information with you about show week. Things are different than in years past, please look closely and be sure to reserve the week of May 18-25. Please take note of what show(s) your child performs in. Please alert us of any conflicts ASAP. Recital Packets will be distributed later this month and will include rehearsal days/times, ticket information, and so much more.

So exciting as we prepare to

celebrate!

Hollis, Jenn, Jess, & Emily

CLASSES PERFORMING IN CELEBRATION 1: FRI, MAY 23 6:30PM

Ballet 3 Wed 6:30
Ballet 4 Mon 6:30
Ballet 8 Thur 5:15
Con/Lyr 1 Fri 5:30
Con/Lyr 5 Wed 8:30
Family Dance
Jazz 6 Thurs 8:00

Hip Hop 2 Fri 6:30
Hip Hop 2 Wed 5:30
Hip Hop 3 Mon 4:30
Jazz 1 Fri 4:30
Jazz 7 Thur 9:00
Preteen Ballet Mon 5:30
Preteen Hip Hop Mon 5:30

Preteen Tap Sat 9:00
Senior Dance
Street Jazz 2 Tue 4:15
Tap 3 Mon 5:30
Tap 4 Thur 5:15
Finale

CLASSES PERFORMING IN CELEBRATION 2: SAT, MAY 24 11:00AM

Ballet 1 Sat 10:00
Ballet 1 Wed 4:30
Ballet 2 Sat 11:00
Ballet 2 Wed 5:30
Boys Dance
Family Dance
Hip Hop 1 Fri 5:30

Hip Hop 1 Tues 5:15
Hip Hop 9 Mon 6:30
Jazz 6 Thur 8:00
Senior Dance
Pointe 2 Thur 6:15
Tap 10 Mon 4:30
Tap 1 Sat 11:00

Tap 1 Wed 5:30
Tap 2 Sat 10:00
Tap 2 Wed 6:30
Theatre Dance 4 Thur 4:15
Finale

CLASSES PERFORMING IN CELEBRATION 3 & 4:

SAT, MAY 24 6:30PM & SUN, MAY 25 2:00PM

Ballet 5 Mon 7:30
Ballet 6 Tues 6:15
Ballet 7 Thur 4:15
Ballet 7 Tue 8:30
Ballet 8 Tue 7:15
Ballet 8 Thur 5:15
Ballet 4/5 Tue 5:15
Ballet 5/6 Thur 7:00
Adult Ballet Tue/Thur 8:15
Con/Lyr 1A Fri 6:30
Con/Lyr 1B Wed 7:30
Con/Lyr 2 Mon 8:30
Con/Lyr 3 Tue 4:15
Con/Lyr 4 Tue 6:15
Con/Lyr 5 Wed 8:30
Family Dance
Hip Hop 4 Wed 4:30
Hip Hop 5 Wed 3:30

Hip Hop 6 Mon 8:30
Hip Hop 7 Wed 6:30
Hip Hop 8 Mon 7:30
Hip Hop 9 Mon 6:30
Jazz 2B Tue 7:15
Jazz 3A Tue 6:15
Jazz 3B Thur 5:15
Jazz 4 Thur 7:15
Jazz 5 Tue 5:15
Jazz 6 Thur 8:00
Jazz 7 Thur 9:00
Jazz 1/2 Thur 6:15
Pointe 1 Sat 10:00
Pointe 2 Thur 6:15
Senior Dance
Street Jazz 1 Thur 6:15
Street Jazz 2 Tue 4:15
Tap 10 Mon 4:30

Tap 5 Thur 7:15
Tap 6 Thur 4:15
Tap 7 Wed 4:30
Tap 8 Mon 8:30
Tap 9 Wed 3:30
Adult Tap 1 Wed 7:30
Adult Tap 2 Mon 7:30
Adult Tap 3 Wed 8:30
Teen Ballet Mon 4:30
Teen Hip Hop Mon 3:30
Teen Tap Mon 6:30
Theatre 3 Thur 8:15
Theatre Dance 1 Tue 4:15
Theatre Dance 2 Tue 7:15
Theatre Dance 4 Thur 4:15
Theatre Dance 1/2 Tue 8:15
Finale

COSTUME DISTRIBUTION CONTINUES

It is that time of year for our performance classes! As costumes arrive for the May recital, we will begin the process of distributing them by class. This process will happen over the next weeks and months as shipments arrive. Please make sure that your account is up to date and that your costume balance is paid in full.

Upon receiving your child's costume, please have the child try it on and make sure it has all the pieces. Mark each piece with the child's name and hang the costume to allow it to fall from shipment. Steam may be used to release wrinkles-DO NOT IRON. We know you are so excited to get them but costumes SHOULD NOT be worn prior to dress rehearsal or our picture day. Please notify the office IMMEDIATELY if there are any problems via email.

IN THE SPOTLIGHT

CALL FOR CELEBRATION PHOTOS/VIDEOS & ARTWORK



The deadline for photo/video submissions and original art submissions is April 1, 2025. Each submission should include your name and age and description. Please reach out to Hollis with any questions. SEND IN THOSE SUBMISSIONS!

PHOTOS & VIDEOS: In preparation for our annual recital we will begin collecting photos/videos of you celebrating and dancing throughout the year. Send us photos or videos of your special events to be included in a montage video to be played at our May recital.

Please submit photos/videos to hersheyschoolofdance@verizon.net
Subject: CELEBRATION SUBMISSION

ARTWORK: We know we have many talented artists in our dance family, so we would like to once again announce a call for submissions of original artwork related to the theme of **CELEBRATION** to be incorporated in our 2025 recital. All forms of art are welcome: graphic design, photography, painting, poetry, sculpture, textile arts, video, drawing, digital art, illustrations, writing, et al. Selected artwork will be displayed at the Whitaker Center and in the recital program.

Please submit original artwork to hersheyschoolofdance@verizon.net
Subject: ART SUBMISSION

Family Dance, Senior Dance, Boys Dance, & Finale Rehearsals

Rehearsals for these time honored traditions will begin soon. More information will be posted this month!

POP UP FUNDRAISER SIGN UP TODAY!

By POPULAR demand...

POP UPS! ❤️❤️

Join us March 8 for a fun afternoon of dance! Classes are available in Contemporary/Lyrical, Intro to Acro, Street Jazz, and Theatre Dance: Wicked Theme. You can sign up for a la carte classes from \$15-\$20 or save and sign up as a 3 class bundle, here is the breakdown for the class bundle:

❤️ Beginner Class Bundle \$50, includes three classes and one sharing time:

1:00-2:15 - Beg Contemporary/Lyrical

2:15-3:30 - Intro to Acro

3:30-4:30 - Beg Theatre Dance: Wicked theme.

4:30-5:00 - Share

Open to levels Con/Lyr 1, Jazz 1-2, Ballet 4+, Theatre Dance 1, or equivalent.

❤️ Intermediate Class Bundle \$50, includes three classes and one sharing time:

1:00-2:15 - Int Street Jazz

2:15-3:30 - Int Contemporary/Lyrical

3:30-4:30 - Int/Adv Theatre Dance: Wicked themed

4:30-5:00 - Share

Open to levels Con/Lyr 2-3, Jazz 3-4, Hip Hop 5-6, Theatre Dance 2+, or equivalent.

❤️ Advanced Class Bundle \$50, includes three classes and one sharing time:

1:00-2:15 - Adv Contemporary/Lyrical

2:15-3:30 - Adv Street Jazz

3:30-4:30 - Int/Adv Theatre Dance: Wicked themed

4:30-5:00 - Share

Open to levels Con/Lyr 4-5, Jazz 5+, Hip Hop 7-9, Theatre Dance 3-4 or equivalent.

The best part? This is a fundraiser and proceeds will go to World Central Kitchen who is on the ground in LA helping those affected by the wildfires.

Registration is open, dancers need not be enrolled at HSDA to participate.

Space is limited, head to HERSHEYDANCE.COM to reserve your spot!

We hope you will bring a friend or two and come DANCE FOR GOOD! ❤️❤️

<p>by POPULAR demand...</p>  <p>HOLLIS: THEATRE DANCE</p>	<p>BEGINNER</p> <h1>POP UPS</h1> <p>Saturday March 8 1-5pm 3 Class Bundle \$50 a la carte available from \$15- \$20</p>
<h2>FUNDRAISER</h2> <p>Come take class to raise money for communities affected by the LA wildfires. All proceeds will go to WCK who is on the ground serving the displaced and firefighters in LA. LET'S DANCE...FOR GOOD. HERSHEYDANCE.COM</p>	 <p>FAITH: Beginner Contemporary/Lyrical & Intro to ACRO</p>
 <p>CATY: CONTEMPORARY/LYRICAL & THEATRE DANCE</p>	<h1>POP UPS</h1> <p>Saturday March 8 1-5pm 3 Class Bundle \$50 a la carte available from \$15- \$20</p>
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Can't make it? DONATE!!

SUMMER PROGRAMS: SAVE THE DATE!

JUNE 16-20 Camps, Intensive, & Jr.Intensive

JUNE 25-26 NEW! Adult Intensive

JULY 7-31 Summer Session

AUGUST 4-8 Camps, Intensive, & Jr. Intensive

Summer Dance is the BEST!

It is a time to try new styles, dive deeper into your study of dance, come together with friends, and enjoy dance without distraction. Our summer schedule has something for everyone: Camps for younger students, Intensives for dedicated older dancers, and returning this year our Jr.Intensive for experienced dancers ages 9-11 to enhance their learning. AND we are very pleased to announce our very first ADULT INTENSIVE!



We celebrate these JOYS!

ADULT MIXER

Adult Dancers and Teachers gathered for a fun night at the studio. We shared laughs, played games, danced and had lots of yummy food. We love spending time with our awesome community of adult dancers!

PERFORMANCES

It's MUSICAL SEASON! We love seeing you light up the stage, play in the pit, and work magic backstage- congratulations one and ALL!

DISCOVER DANCE FUN

Dancers in our DISCOVER DANCE WORKSHOPS just finished up the first half of the session with TAP! It was great learning new things and making rhythms with our feet! Next up DISCOVER BALLET!



WINTER/SPRING WORKSHOPS FOR ADULTS

Prorated Registration available and Drop Ins available!

ADULT COMBO CLASS Ages 18+

NEW this year, this class will be offered as a non-performing year round or as a 12 Week workshop. This class offers a variety of different styles changing each month. Explore each style for 4 weeks, while working on technique, and a combination for each style. \$165 per session or as part of your monthly tuition schedule. Drop in available, email for details.

Saturdays 11am.

BEGINNER ADULT TAP WORKSHOP Ages 18+

This 12-week non-performing workshop is designed for adults who want to dip their toes into the wide world of tap dance. We will take a starting-from-scratch approach to mastering the basics of tap and exploring the fun of this rhythmic dance style. It is never too late to try something new! \$165/12-week session.

Tuesdays 11am.

INT/ADV ADULT TAP WORKSHOP Ages 18+

This 12-week non-performing workshop is designed for adults with a background in tap dance. We will learn some classic tap combinations, and create some of our own! \$165/12-week session.

Wednesdays 11am.

BEGINNER/ADV BEGINNER ADULT BALLET WORKSHOP Ages 18+

This 12-week non-performing workshop is designed for adults with little to no experience in ballet. Wednesdays 10am. \$165/12-week session. Drop In available, get on the list! Email for details.

BEGINNER ADULT CONTEMPORARY WORKSHOP Ages 18+


This 12-week non-performing workshop is designed for adults. Discover the joy of movement in this fun and welcoming beginner-friendly contemporary dance class! Perfect for adults with little to no prior dance experience, this class blends elements of technique, creative expression, and fluid choreography. You'll learn the fundamentals of contemporary dance, improve flexibility and strength, and connect with a supportive community. Whether you're looking to try something new or reignite your passion for dance, this class is a great way to move, create, and grow. Come as you are—no experience required! Fridays 7:30pm. \$165/12-week session. Drop In available, get on the list! Email for details.

INTERMEDIATE/ADVANCED ADULT HIP HOP WORKSHOP Ages 18+

This 12-week non-performing workshop is designed for adults with experience in hip hop. Fridays 7:30pm. \$165/12-week session. Drop In available, get on the list! Email for details.

BEGINNER ADULT HIP HOP WORKSHOP Ages 18+

This 12-week non-performing workshop is designed for adults with little to no experience in hip hop. Fridays 8:30pm. \$165/12-week session. Drop In available, get on the list! Email for details.

A poster for 'Friday Night Line Up' with a dark blue background and white text. It features two black and white portraits of women on the right side. The text lists dance classes and their instructors.

**FRIDAY
NIGHT
LINE UP**

7:30 BEG ADULT CONTEMPORARY with MEG O
INT/ADV ADULT HIP HOP with TEEGAN

8:30 BEG ADULT HIP HOP with TEEGAN

REGISTER at HERSHEYDANCE.COM or DROP IN \$15

PRIVATE LESSONS

Private lessons are a great way to introduce a new style, focus on mastering skills, and enhance the learning experience. Many of our teachers offer one-on-one instruction throughout the year. We are happy to match you up with the right instructor in the style you are looking for.

Private Lessons

- One on one instruction.
- 30 minute session \$45
- 60 minute session \$90.
- 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 private or small group instruction.

2024-2025 Calendar

March 8: POP UP FUNDRAISER  

April 14-20: Spring Break

April 26-27: Dance Pictures with Slice of Lime

May 18-25: Show Week: rehearsal and

performances at the WHITAKER CENTER

June 16-20: SUMMER CAMPS | INTENSIVE | Jr.

INTENSIVE

June 25-26 ADULT INTENSIVE

July 7-August 1: SUMMER SESSION

August 4-8: SUMMER CAMPS | INTENSIVE | Jr.
INTENSIVE

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.

INCLEMENT WEATHER

Whenever the Derry Township School District closes early or cancels classes due to inclement weather, HSDA will also be closed. You will be notified through your parent portal and social media.

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 or notify us through email.

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.

NO dance shoes in the parking lot or worn outside the building.

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, let us know in the email you prefer a return call. We are always happy to respond with a phone call.