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Alyssa Barnecut

Alyssa Barnecut is a passionate and versatile dance educator, choreographer, and performer with a rich background in the performing arts. Beginning her teaching career at the age of 14, Alyssa quickly established herself as a dedicated instructor and mentor. At just 21, she took a bold step and opened her own dance studio, where her students competed in local, regional, and national competitions, earning multiple event wins.

With a diverse portfolio of choreography, Alyssa has created dynamic routines for high school musical productions and competitive marching bands. Her extensive performance experience includes roles in prestigious productions, such as *The Nutcracker*, further honing her craft both on and off the stage.

Alyssa holds dual degrees in Business and Graphic Design, combining her artistic abilities with a strong foundation in management and design. Today, she is a cherished faculty member at a non-profit dance studio in Central Ohio, where she continues to inspire and nurture the next generation of dancers.

Emma Feeheley

Originally from Detroit Michigan, Emma began dancing at the young age of 3, where she quickly began developing her lifelong passion for performing arts. At age 6, she entered the competition world, where she traveled the country competing and training with world renowned artists. Emma then attended Interlochen arts academy for high school as a modern major, where she realized her love for teaching and choreography.

Upon graduation, she headed west and began her teaching career in Palo Alto, CA. She directed 2 major dance companies in Northern California, coached high school dance teams, and choreographed for studios all over the country. She continues to expand her knowledge with certifications from acrobatic arts, PBT, and AZ dance med.

Her students have won numerous national titles and continue to thrive in the dance world. She now lives in Los Angeles where she trains dancers working in the industry and directs a competition team. In her spare time, Emma teaches barre fitness classes, runs a dance wear company, and competes in pageants. She was Miss Michigan United States 2022 and even featured on a reality dating show on

FOX! She is excited to share her passion for dance with all of her students, and always brings a smile!

Olivia Ice

Olivia grew up training under Maryen Lorraine Miller and Abby Lee Miller from the TV show Dance Moms. She quickly began competing and traveling the country with the national award winning Abby Lee Dance Company, eventually becoming a faculty member and choreographer. While she loves all styles of dance, her passion for Musical Theatre, Jazz and Tap grew after obtaining her Bachelor of Arts in Musical Theatre at James Madison University.

She performed at the Disney World Theatre in Orlando's theme park, was a featured dancer in the 2013 Jazz Dance World Congress (placing in the top five) and was hand picked by Broadway's own Ben Vereen to be the featured dancer in his Broadway Theatre Project production, Journey to the Footlights. She has worked at many regional theaters on the East coast. Liv's choreography of the musical Parade at the Forbes Center for Performing Arts was recognized by the Kennedy Center in Washington DC at their 2018 KCACTF Awards. Liv has spent three years as the founding Artistic Director of a NYC dance studio. She became Director of the Year at TRDC in 2022. Currently, Liv works as a dance educator at Mariann's School of Dance in Paramus, NJ as well as travels as a competition adjudicator and convention educator.

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