

Dance Academy of Virginia

Presents

*Between
Dreams and Dawn*



2026 Academy Spring Concert

May 16, 2026 | 6:00 PM | Richard J. Ernst Cultural Community Center

A Message from Katherine

Welcome to our Academy Program Spring Concert!

We are so grateful to have you here with us as we gather to celebrate our dancers and all they have accomplished this season. Today is more than a performance—it is a reflection of months and years of dedication, growth, and a deep love for the art of dance.

It is truly a privilege for our team to guide and support these dancers as they evolve, not only as artists, but as individuals. Each year, this concert gives us a moment to pause and reflect, on how far our students have come, on the memories we've created together, and on the strength of this incredible community. From our early days performing outdoors at Wolf Trap to taking the stage for Nutcracker at Capital One Hall, these shared experiences have shaped who we are.

Every piece you will see today represents more than choreography. It reflects commitment, resilience, teamwork, and the courage it takes to step onto a stage and share something meaningful. Performance is such an essential part of a dancer's education. It builds confidence, artistry, discipline, and connection. And just as importantly, it brings us all together to celebrate and uplift one another.

We are so proud of our dancers and the progress they have made this year. We are equally grateful to our families, whose constant encouragement and support make all of this possible. Your partnership is at the heart of our community.

To our incredible instructors and staff, thank you for the care, passion, and expertise you bring every day. Your work shapes not only well-trained dancers, but also poised and confident young people.

We hope today's performances move and inspire you as much as they do us. Thank you for cheering on our dancers and for being such an important part of the Dance Academy of Virginia family.

Enjoy the performance!
Katherine Horrigan
Founder, Dance Academy of Virginia



“Les Sylphides”

**Choreography: Charlie Abel, Coral Dennison, Sophie Malin,
Isabel Robles, Kate Walker**

All Academy Ballet Dancers

Pre-Academy

Darcy Bassiur, Lylah Fisher, Valentina Giannini, Zoe Kauffman, Logan Kim,
Vera Rowings, Emily Sohn, Emma Norri

Academy A

Augusta Ruvald Bering, Andalise Campbell-Glasener, Winifred Grattan, Olivia
Hester, Ariane Lobet, Maanya Mathur, Mila Needles, Leah Repper,
Avigail Skvortsova, & Nora Walsh

Academy B

Claire Cecere, Laila Farouk, Julia Hauss, Harlow Johnson, Lillian Kohn, Ayla
Mehta, Sana Mehta, Hunter Orobona, Sophie Peacock, Natalie Pines,
Isabel Silver, & Sloane Walston

Academy C

Marisa Amante, Samantha Daly, Natalie Dunham, Olivia Graves, Adelyn Han,
Liam Jezek, Genevieve Quinn, Nico Robleto, & Stella Roscoe

Academy D

Adelise Eisen, Jillian Fiske, Shannon Keating, Olivia Leppert,
Sydney Magnuson, Amina Murray

Advanced Academy 1

Isabel Choi, Rossi Johnson, Leah Pacifico, Alayna Patel, Veronica Renaud,
& Millie Wright

Advanced Academy 2

Anna Cecere, Ihsan Faizal, Ruby Givan, Libby Gulotta, Gabrielle Klein, Olivia
Lawrence, Maeve Meeker, Ava Robinson, Roma Singh, Claire Smarr,
& Ivy Thompson

Advanced Academy 3/4

Ava Canizares, Sydney Ganzer, Fiona Jones, Molly Keng, Carina Moore,
Isabel Stout, Bianca Watson, Elle Whitney, & Sydney Yellen

“Mazurka”

Choreography: Maggie Crowe

Boys’ Ballet

Liam Jezek, Nico Robleto

“Sweet Dreams”

Choreography: Deidra Squire

Tap Academy A/B

Sloane Doran, Amal Ghazzawi, Julia Mertz

“Dreams”

Choreography: Megan Amen

Academy B Contemporary

Claire Cecere, Laila Farouk, Julia Hauss, Olivia Hester, Harlow Johnson, Lillian Kohn, Ayla Mehta, Sana Mehta, Hunter Orobona, Sophie Peacock, Natalie Pines, Isabel Silver, Sloane Walston

“Wake Me Up”

Choreography: Anna Huffman

Academy C/D Jazz

Marisa Amante, Samantha Daly, Natalie Dunham, Adelise Eisen, Jillian Fiske, Olivia Graves, Adelyn Han, Liam Jezek, Shannon Keating, Olivia Leppert, Sydney Magnuson, Amina Murray, Genevieve Quinn, Nico Robleto, Stella Roscoe

“Girl”

Choreography: Coral Dennison

Academy A Contemporary

Augusta Ruvald Bering, Andalise Campbell-Glasener, Winnie Grattan, Ariane Lobet, Maanya Mathur, Mila Needles, Leah Repper, Avigail Skvortsova, Nora Walsh

“Come Alive”

Choreography: Jessica Werfel

Pre-Academy Jazz

Darcy Bassiur, Lylah Fisher, Valentina Giannini, Zoe Kauffman, Logan Kim, Emma Norri, Vera Rowings, Emily Sohn

“Disturbia”

Choreography: Gwen Wojtkun

Advanced Academy 1/2 Hip Hop

Anna Cecere, Isabel Choi, Ihsan Faizal, Ruby Givan, Libby Gulotta, Rossi Johnson, Gabrielle Klein, Olivia Lawrence, Maeve Meeker, Leah Pacifico, Alayna Patel, Veronica Renaud, Ava Robinson, Roma Singh, Claire Smarr, Ivy Thompson, Millie Wright

“Zero to Hero”

Choreography: Savannah Jeffries

Academy A Jazz

Augusta Ruvald Bering, Andalise Campbell-Glasener, Winnie Grattan, Olivia Hester, Ariane Lobet, Maanya Mathur, Mila Needles, Leah Repper, Avigail Skvortsova, Nora Walsh

INTERMISSION

“This is Your Night”

Choreography: Deidra Squire

Teen Tap Academy

Ella Althoff, Justin Dame, Syra Goyal, Lauren Lantry, Mia Mani, Jack McQuillan, Maeve Meeker, Hadley Mitnick, Alexa Pizzi, Vivian Ross, Marin Springmann, Zanna Steely-Blank

“Dreams & Nightmares”

Choreography: Madi Andreason

Advanced Academy 3/4 Hip Hop

Ava Canizares, Sydney Ganzer, Fiona Jones, Molly Keng, Carina Moore, Isabel Stout, Elle Whitney

“Feelin’ Good”

Choreography: Maggie Crowe

Advanced Academy 2 Jazz

Anna Cecere, Ihsan Faizal, Ruby Givan, Libby Gulotta, Gabrielle Klein, Olivia Lawrence, Maeve Meeker, Ava Robinson, Roma Singh, Claire Smarr, Ivy Thompson

“Dance on the Moon”

Choreography: Coral Dennison

Academy D/Advanced Academy 1 Contemporary

Isabel Choi, Adelise Eisen, Jillian Fiske, Rossi Johnson, Shannon Keating,
Olivia Leppert, Sydney Magnuson, Amina Murray, Leah Pacifico,
Alayna Patel, Veronica Renaud, Millie Wright

“Sweet Dreams”

Choreography: Deidra Squire

Tap Academy C/D

Andie Brown, Penelope Chen, Charlotte Edwards, Ava Gershman, Julia
Gordon, Emina Hadzimehmedovic, Meredith Joyce, Claire Leonard, Kaia
McFadden, Gabriela McQuillan, Sylvana McQuillan,
Madigan Pittman, Kinley Royse

“Once Upon a Dream”

Choreography: Blaire Lindsley

Advanced Academy 3/4 Contemporary

Ava Canizares, Fiona Jones, Molly Keng, Carina Moore, Isabel Stout,
Bianca Watson, Elle Whitney

“Hung Up”

Choreography: Eleanor Setnik-King

Tap Academy Jazz

Ella Althoff, Penelope Chen, Justin Dame, Syra Goyal, Lauren Lantry,
Claire Leonard, Mia Mani, Sylvana McQuillan, Madigan Pittman,
Marin Springmann, Zanna Steely-Blank

“Dream a Little Dream of Me”

Choreography: Jordan Kypers

Advanced Academy 2 Contemporary

Anna Cecere, Ihsan Faizal, Ruby Givan, Libby Gulotta, Gabrielle Klein,
Olivia Lawrence, Maeve Meeker, Ava Robinson, Roma Singh,
Claire Smarr, Ivy Thompson

“Dancing in the Dark”

Choreography: Jordan Kypers

Academy B Jazz

Claire Cecere, Laila Farouk, Julia Hauss, Harlow Johnson, Lillian Kohn,
Ayla Mehta, Sana Mehta, Hunter Orobona, Sophie Peacock, Natalie Pines,
Isabel Silver, Sloane Walston

“Tom’s Diner”

Choreography: Deidra Squire

Tap Academy Senior Solo

Vivian Ross

“Dog Days Are Over”

Choreography: Sydney Heldman

Academy C Contemporary

Marisa Amante, Samantha Daly, Natalie Dunham, Olivia Graves,
Adelyn Han, Liam Jezek, Genevieve Quinn, Nico Robleto, Stella Roscoe

“Another Day of Sun”

Choreography: Savannah Jeffries

Advanced Academy 1 Jazz

Isabel Choi, Rossi Johnson, Leah Pacifico, Alayna Patel,
Veronica Renaud, Millie Wright

“Dream On”

Choreography: Jordan Kypers

Advanced Academy 3/4 Jazz

Ava Canizares, Fiona Jones, Molly Keng, Carina Moore, Isabel Stout,
Bianca Watson, Elle Whitney

Congratulations Class of 2026!

Vivian Ross

It has been my distinct pleasure to teach tap to Vivian for almost ten years. Vivian has always been a kindhearted, intelligent, hardworking student who truly enjoyed the art form of tap and its musical nature. A shy but talented student, Vivian arrived each Sunday and consistently demonstrated persistence and a strong work ethic.

Vivian, as you go on to the next phase of your life, take your creativity with you. Allow your persistent spirit to guide you as you navigate the new waters of life. It has been said that the lessons of dance are the lessons of life, and that is so very true. So, just like when you perform on stage, prepare for excellence; plan and study your steps; never be afraid to step out into the spotlight or to make your presence known; hold your head high with dignity, and when the music plays, dance beautifully with it.

Vivian, you possess so much that can make the world a better place. Never be afraid to show up for the curtain calls of life, because like tap dance, life is music! But unlike dance, there are no dress rehearsals. In life, there are highs and lows, peaks and valleys, moments of subtlety and others of grandeur. There is beauty in all of it. As you go forward, may your life's song be one of character, excellence, kindness, and beautifully harmonious achievement. God Speed. -Ms. Deidra



Vivian is excited to start at
Washington University-
St. Louis in August.

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DA
Dreamers

Ella Althoff	Julia Hauss	Emma Norri
Maria Amiane	Olivia Heiser	Hunter Orobona
Darcy Bassiar	Liam Jerak	Leah Pacifico
Augusta Ravaki Bering	Harlow Johnson	Alyna Patel
Ardie Brown	Rosa Johnson	Sophie Peacock
Ayabelle Campbell-Claesner	Fiona Jones	Nashle Pines
Ava Canizares	Meredith Joyce	Madigan Pittman
Anna Cecere	Zoe Kaufman	Alexa Pizzi
Chaire Cecere	Shannon Keating	Genevieve Quinn
Perelope Chen	Molly Krug	Venencia Rivaud
Isabel Choi	Logan Kim	Leah Repper
Samarah Dab	Candice Klein	Ava Robinson
Justin Danc	Lillian Kohn	Nico Robles
Skane Doran	Lauren Lantry	Stella Roscoe
Natalie Durfain	Olivia Lawrence	Vivian Ross
Charlone Edwards	Claire Leonard	Vera Rowings
Adelise Eben	Olivia Leppert	Kaitley Royce
Evani Falal	Ariane Lobet	Isabel Silver
Laila Farouk	Sydney Magnuson	Rozina Singh
Lylah Fisher	Mia Maril	Avigal Skvortsova
Jillian Fiske	Maanya Mathur	Claire Starr
Sydney Gaezer	Kaiti McFadden	Erinly Solari
Ava Gershman	Gabriela McQuillan	Marin Springmann
Anna Grazzani	Jack McQuillan	Zarina Sirely-Blank
Valentina Guarnini	Sylvana McQuillan	Isabel Sosa
Ruby Gwon	Maeve Meeker	Ivy Thompson
Julia Gordon	Ayla Mehta	Nora Walsh
Syra Goyal	Sara Mehta	Stoane Watson
Wendell Gostan	Julia Metz	Biana Watson
Olivia Graves	Hedley Mitrack	Elle Whitney
Elizabeth Galota	Carina Moore	Millie Wright
Emma Hadzimehanedovic	Anna Murray	Sydney Yelms
Ashlyn Han	Mila Needles	



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