



ATLANTA BALLET
CENTRE FOR DANCE EDUCATION

SPRING CONCERT 2026

PERFORMANCE 8

Saturday, April 18 at 1 p.m.

All photos by Kim Kenney.

The 2025|2026 School Year Marks the 30th Anniversary of the Atlanta Ballet Centre for Dance Education!

Gennadi Nedvigin
Artistic Director

Sharon Story
Dean, Centre for Dance Education

Under the current leadership of Artistic Director Gennadi Nedvigin, the Atlanta Ballet Centre for Dance Education (the Centre) remains committed to serving the community while also refining the technique and artistry of its students, taking their dance training to the highest levels. During Gennadi's tenure and with Sharon Story's oversight, Atlanta Ballet 2, Academy, and Decade 2 Dance were established as a growing part of our commitment to excellence in serving our community.

Today, we have three studio locations in West Midtown, Buckhead, and Virginia-

Highland that serve over 1,200 students and adults each year. The Centre also offers award-winning community engagement programs, which include Kids In Step student matinees, and Centre Dance in-school programs at Hollis Innovation Academy, Utopian Academy for the Arts, Boys & Girls Club of Metro Atlanta, and City of Refuge, among others.

We are celebrating our 30th year. In 1996, the Centre was created not only to develop future professional dancers but also to nurture all students. Former artistic director John McFall established the Centre at the beginning of his tenure, placing it under Dean Sharon

Story's direction, in order to expand on the tireless commitment to dance education that had been part of Atlanta Ballet since its creation in 1929. Founder and visionary Miss Dorothy Moses Alexander started by teaching ballet classes out of her home in Ansley Park and bringing dance education into the city's public schools, before starting the Dorothy Alexander Dance Concert Group — later renamed Atlanta Ballet. Atlanta Ballet's second artistic director, Robert Barnett, built upon these efforts with the creation of the Atlanta Ballet School, which is currently our Buckhead Centre.

Special Thanks

Atlanta Ballet's Board of Trustees
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Louise Gordon and Alina Chaudri

Atlanta Ballet's Production and Costume Departments

The Centre for Dance Education Scholarship Funds

Adele Davis Memorial Fund
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Edwin J. Story Scholarship Fund

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Congratulations to Our Graduating Seniors!

Alexandria Arthur
Pierce Bevans
Gabiella Clark
Charlotte Grant
Sydney Grant
Isabella Ly

Spencer Moore
Isabela Oku
Naima Robinson
Axelle Terver
Kahlen Wright



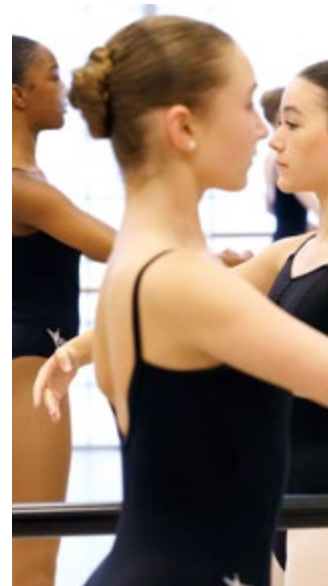
Keep up your student's training over the summer with our Summer Dance Programs!

June–July 2026 Week-Long and Multi-Week Programs

Dance for Joy (Ages 5–7)
Young Dancer Summer Experience (Ages 8–10)
Junior Summer Intensive (Ages 10–17)

Learn more at
centre.atlantaballet.com/summer-programs.

Upcoming Events



Fall Registration

Time to prepare for your next year. Register early for favorite classes and teachers!

Monday, April 20 — Fall 2026-27 Registration for returning Centre Students begins.

Monday, May 4 — Fall 2026-27 Open Registration for new students begins.

Watch your inbox: End of year evaluations and registration links coming soon via email!

Academy Auditions

Thursday, May 7, 2026 at MCC Dance Centre

5:15–6:15 p.m. Ages 9–11

6:15–7:45 p.m. Ages 12 and up

Registration link for ages 9–11:

<https://my.atlantaballet.com/register26/27academy-9-11>

Registration link for ages 12 and up:

<https://my.atlantaballet.com/register26/27academy-12up>

Celebrate & Appreciate Our Teachers

Join us in honoring the incredible CDE faculty who inspire and shape our dancers every day. A \$10 donation can be made through the [Boutique's online shop](#) to show your gratitude and support.



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1

A2

Buckhead

Saturday | 10:45 a.m.

Courtney Johnson

Anaika Agarwal
Sloane Genevieve Dera
Reagan Harris
Emma Petho
Ryder Ragland
Lydia Reid
Evelyn Grace Staton
Sai Suitt
Nuna Tay-Agbozo
Jude Trammell
Willow Weiss
Charlotte Wilmer-Ho
Anne Zhang

2

A3

Buckhead

Wednesday | 5:00 p.m.

Erica Shannon

Ella Carroll
Bilkisu Hart
Savannah Hlavaty
Eliza Kennedy
Emerson Rodriguez
Anna Claire Rusenko
Marian Grace Vogel

Variation performed by Academy 6

3

A1

Buckhead

Saturday | 10:00 a.m.

Taia Galloway

Avery Blume
Ivy Bowden
Olivia Carroll
Bellamy Celeste Dera
Addison Kaufman
Naima Louis
Charlotte Lowe
Vivian Morea
Vyansi Niranjana
Claire Prince-Miller
Stella Sachs
Naomi Sebastian
Henry Siu

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A1

Buckhead

Wednesday | 3:15 p.m.

Abi Pace

Landry Ballinger

Paloma Bernal
Josie Blackmon
Juliette Desjonquieres
Lucy Hull
Lydia Kennedy
Isabella Kozachenok
Sovereign Raymond
Dorothy Rollins
Molly Smith
Honest Thomas
Genevieve Willis
Reese Willis

Variation performed by Academy 6

5

A

Buckhead

Saturday | 10:00 a.m.

Courtney Johnson

Grace Gladden
Elizabeth Lanier
Olivia O'Callaghan
Cecilia Ruder
Genevieve Ruder
Selene Sebastian
Alice Shcherbik

6

A2

Buckhead

Wednesday | 4:15 p.m.

Erica Shannon

Celeste Chandler
Elena Cho
Romane Einsetler Morel
Ansley Havice
Lilly Hlavaty
Elliot O'Brien

7

A

Buckhead

Thursday | 3:15 p.m.

Janan Mirza

Scarlett Bishop
Sofia Raymond - Izarra

8

A3

Buckhead

Saturday | 10:45 a.m.

Taia Galloway

Lucie Boulvert Zhong
Genevieve Carroll
Blakeleigh Dolezal
Briella Foley
Luca Kaufman
Sophia Louis
Eleanor Murphy
Mary Milner Smith
Eva Wang
Collette Watkins
Jamie Zakka
Evelyn Zhou

Variation Performed by Academy 6

