# THE LINE OF A LEG. THE ARTICULATION OF A FOOT. THE SLIGHTEST BEND OF AN ARM.

Ballet teaches us to be mindful of the details, to embrace even the smallest movements in pursuit of a higher artistry. It is a discipline that not only teaches grace, but also instills confidence and inspires creativity. By laying a strong dance foundation today, we can prepare our students for whatever shape their lives may take tomorrow.



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### **AWARDS**

2018 Elizabeth O'Neill Verner Award Recipient
2018 South Carolina Secretary of State
Angel Award Recipient



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A HIGHER STANDARD

### A CELEBRATED ART FORM

For the last 40 years, Ballet Spartanburg's Center for Dance Education has delivered exceptional dance instruction to students throughout our region. We pride ourselves on our classical roots and our ability to infuse our students with fun and enthusiasm.

# OUR FOCUSED APPROACH TO INSTRUCTION

We specialize in providing the highest caliber of dance instruction in a non-competitive environment. Anchored by an accomplished faculty, our studio is dedicated to the principals of classical training. We give students the opportunity to master classical dance techniques over a period of time and progress as individual skills develop. Students are encouraged to learn and advance, but we never lose sight of the fact that dancing should fill the heart with joy. We structure our curriculum to promote personal goal setting and accomplishment. After all, there's no better feeling than "Look what I can do!"

### OUR COMMITMENT TO YOU

We create a nurturing environment in which students can experience the joys of dance minus undue stress or excessive time commitment. Our commitment to our students and parents is that we focus our energy on teaching technique and skill in a noncompetitive atmosphere. Located in the heart of Spartanburg's Cultural District on the Chapman Cultural Center campus, our affordable classes offer two opportunities for parent observation in addition to an end of the year demonstration for family and friends.

# OUR STUDENTS CONNECT WITH PROFESSIONALS

Our students learn from the best. We offer the unique opportunity to work with professional dancers on a regular basis, both in class and on stage. Students also have the option to audition for our professional performance of *The Nutcracker* — a holiday tradition in Spartanburg — as well as other ballet performances. Ballet Spartanburg is the only organization in the Upstate to offer dance opportunities to perform in ballet productions with a professional company.

# CONNECTING WITH OUR COMMUNITY

Dance is a performing art — and performance is meant to be shared. We know connecting our students to our community is not only important, but also a service opportunity. Outreach is part of our mission, and we believe in allowing our students to dance in as many community outreach sites as possible. We continue to monitor our community and its needs to offer classes that help make dance accessible to anyone who desires to dance.

"The importance of body awareness, graceful movement and wordless communication is even more critical to our youth who often live within a culture of virtual realities. Dance allows our youth to gain a deeper understanding of wordless communication as well as the sound of their own heartbeat through music and movement."

Lona Gomez, Ballet Master

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## CLASSES

Ages 2 to Adult

- » AFRICAN DANCE
- » BALLET
- » BALLROOM
- » CONTEMPORARY
- » CREATIVE
- » IRISH STEP
- » LYRICAL
- » MINDFUL MOVEMENT

- » PARKINSON'S CLASS
- » PILATES
- » PRE-POINTE AND POINTE
- » STRENGTH & STRENGTHEN
- » TAP AND JAZZ
- » TAP AND TWIRL
- » TODDLER

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