DR. PHILLIPS HIGH SCHOOL DANCE MAGNET

PRESENTS

Student Showcase



DR. PHILLIPS HIGH SCHOOL DANCE MAGNET

STUDENT SHOWCASE

Wednesday, April 23, 2025

Dr. Phillips High School Performing Arts Center
6500 Turkey Lake Road, Orlando, Florida

DPHS Principal & VPA Administrator
Jackie Ramsey

VPA Department Chair
Nicole Nasrallah

DPHS PAC Theatre Directors
Jason Whitehead, Sarah Clark

Dance Magnet Director
Kathy Follensbee

DPHS Dance Assistant
Ariaghna Parrilla Rey

DPHS Dance Magnet Encore Parent Volunteers

TV Production Director
Bob Giguere

Program Design
Kieshalia Stephens

DPHS Technical Crew

STUDENT DIRECTORS' NOTES

Welcome to the 2025 Student Showcase! Tonight, we are so excited to share all the student choreography that the dance students have been working hard on for the past quarter! Tonight you will see various student directed pieces from our magnet students and elective students, showcasing our versatility not only as dancers but as choreographers as well. Student Showcase is an opportunity for students to take a chance and experience what it takes to be on the other side of the creative process. Throughout the quarter students have all choreographed their own pieces, picked their lighting design, edited music and have experienced all the steps it takes to put on a show. It has been such an eye opening experience for all dancers involved.

This year, our theme of the year has been, "The Timeless Art of Dance." When we think of such a statement, we think of an art form that transcends time, trends, and space. Dance and choreography is a universal language that evokes emotion, artistry, and storytelling beyond a particular time or period, for both the dancer and the audience. We hope you can connect with dance regardless of who you are, where you are from, or where you are going. We hope that dance becomes a sacred space to share your gifts, talents, stories, your authentic self, and most importantly connecting and collaborating with others. The art of dance will always be "Timeless."

We hope you enjoy the Student Showcase as much as we have enjoyed putting this show together. It takes great courage to step in as a choreographer and leader, and we are so excited to see our hard work pay off tonight. None of this would have been possible without the amazing guidance of our director, Kathy Follensbee. Mrs. Follensbee has impacted us in so many ways, and we are so thankful for all the lessons she has taught us. Her love and wisdom has pushed us to succeed and we could not thank her enough!

We are so excited to be wrapping up an amazing year full of performances, guest teachers, traveling, and more with this amazing showcase. This show represents our growth as dancers, artists, and humans. It encapsulates all of our growth throughout the year, and for our seniors, their growth throughout their high school career. Tonight we celebrate the Dance Magnet Senior class of 2025; Katie Free, Paris Taylor, Brianna Oyola, and Valeria Perez. We wish you the best in your future, you will do amazing things! Always remember, your life can end up changing when you're 'dancing through life!'

Enjoy the show!

Valeria Perez and Katie Free

ADDITIONAL THOUGHTS FROM THE DIRECTOR

Parents, friends, alumni, guests and fellow educators ~ I hope you can appreciate the amazing work, commitment and higher learning skills needed for these dancers to be able to create their 9th Annual Student Showcase… It is a truly remarkable endeavor! The goal of tonight is not perfection, but of having a safe space to experiment in knowing that creating art is 'Timeless'…it is a celebration of their amazing growth as artists, and I could not be more proud!

As the 'consultant' behind the scenes, I am fortunate to witness dancers within each class opting to have the courage to play with choreography, pick costumes & make alterations, edit music, make props, find a rehearsal director, learn choreography, make choreographic changes/adjustments all while rehearsing and cooperating in a collegial environment. This is hard. These opportunities to make mistakes, take feedback, listen to advice, make decisions and edit material are huge! They have no idea how far they have come and the amazing gifts they will use forever, but I do, and I am so thrilled with their progress!

Our Student Directors, the seniors from Level 4, collaborated on the show order and program, booked the Tech Crew, Stream Team, Program Designer & Photographer as well as danced and choreographed themselves. They created the rehearsal times for the studio, the rehearsal blocking for stage, prepared the music and cue sheets…they felt first hand the stress to make deadlines and get material uploaded on time for real world experiences, and I think they have found out just how daunting it is to do the entire production themselves. I empathize with their pain!

There are tremendous benefits that all the students have learned through this process, and I think you will agree that their work is entertaining! It is wonderful as their 'guide' to see the dancer's learning gains and the increased confidence as they grow and flourish. These students are the embodiment of working with diversity in a collegial manner using their gifts of creativity, critical thinking, communication and collaboration that have been stressed daily in the classroom or 'laboratory,' as we lovingly refer to our sacred dance studio throughout the year. These are the leaders of tomorrow ~ they make the world a better place and I love them all…may each of you be 'i-NSPIREd' by these students!

Enjoy!

Kathy Follensbee
Dr. Phillips High School Dance Magnet, Dance Director

ACT 1

Walk on By

♪ Astor Piazzolla

Choreographer & Costume Designer: Valeria Perez (S)

Olivia Anderson, Eva Baez, Noor El-Helw, Yelani Hill, Chloe Leon, Andre Roche

The Verge

♪ David Kushner

Choreographer & Costume Designer: Deriah Bridges (S)

Paris Taylor, Sana Williams, Madison Yu

Tun Up Di Ting

♪ RDX, DeeWunn and Marcy Chin, Aidonia, Konshens

Choreographer & Costume Designer: Nehemyah Morgan (S)

Madelynn Brown, Mckinzie Brown, Nyah Hall, Kemarae Mayers, CK Souffrans

Between the Two

Senior Collaboration Project

♪ Takenobu

Choreographers & Costume Designers: Valeria Perez (S), Katie Free (S)

Katie Free, Valeria Perez

Headlock

♪ Imogen Heap

Choreographers & Costume Designers: Piper Allen (S), Eva Baez (S)

Deriah Bridges, Yelani Hill, Chloe Leon, Morgan Marotta, Kemarae Mayers, Ky McCary, Fabiana Ocque, Brianna Oyola, Paris Taylor, AJ Williams, Madison Yu

Unspoken Visions

♪ Benjamin Clementine

Choreographer & Rehearsal Director: Nyah Hall (S)

Madelynn Brown, Mckinzie Brown, Nehemyah Morgan, Ck Souffrans

Love in Ink

♪ Curtis Harding, Jazmine Sullivan

Choreographer & Costume Designer: Yelani Hill (S)

Olivia Anderson, Morgan Marotta, Valeria Perez

Within the Mist

♪ Billie Eilish

Choreographer & Costume Designer: Destiny Pamblanco (S)

Lilly Coombs, Emma Brady Fitzpatrick, Kemarae Mayers, Ky McCary, Heaven Trimboli

Senior Memories

A slideshow by Katie Free (S)

No Regrets

♪ Abba

Choreographer & Costume Designer: Brianna Oyola (S)

Kennedi Anderson, Selene Bogart, Kimani Cooper, Emma Brady Fitzpatrick, Ky McCary, Kemarae Mayers, Morgan Moratta, Fabiana Ocque, Paris Taylor, Madison Yu

- INTERMISSION -



ACT 2

Freak Out

♪ CHIC

Choreographer & Costume Designer: Sana Williams (S)

Piper Allen, Olivia Anderson, Eva Baez, Noor El-helw, Katie Free, Valeria Perez, Andre Roche

Resonance

♪ Kendrick Lamar

Choreographer & Costume Designer: Paris Taylor (S)

Deriah Bridges, Chloe Leon, Morgan Marotta, Brianna Oyola, Madison Yu

i-NSPIRE

♪ Ori Lichtik, Gidon Schocken, Laurent Dury

Choreographer & Costume Designer: Andre Roche (S)

Yelani Hill, Ky McCary, Fabiana Ocque, Valeria Perez, AJ Williams, Sana Williams

Newbies

♪ Bill Haley

Choreographer & Costume Designer: Madelynn Brown (S)

Mckinzie Brown, Nyah Hall, Nehemyah Morgan

Becoming

Senior Collaboration Project

♪ Kendrick Lamar

Choreographers & Costume Designers: Brianna Oyola (S), Paris Taylor (S)

Brianna Oyola, Paris Taylor

Out on the Town

♪ Roy Hargrove

Choreographer & Costume Designer: Olivia Anderson (S)

Eva Baez, Noor El-helw, Yelani Hill, Chloe Leon, Valeria Perez

Senior Decisions

A slideshow by Katie Free (S)

Emerald City

♪ Jonathan Bailey, Ariana Grande, Ethan Slater, Mariss Bode, Cynthia Erivo, Kristin Chenoweth, Idina Menzel, Michael McCorry Rose

Choreographer & Costume Designer: Valeria Perez (S)

Kennedi Anderson, Olivia Anderson, Eva Baez, Cameran Bailey, Selene Bogart, Emma Brady-Fitzpatrick, Deriah Bridges, Madelynn Brown, Mckinzie Brown, Kimani Cooper, Noor El-helw, Kylie Foley, Katie Free, Nyah Hall, Yelani Hill, Chloe Leon, Arianna Lesperance, Morgan Marotta, Kemarae Mayers, Ky McCary, Nehemyah Morgan, Fabiana Ocque, Brianna Oyola, Andre Roche, Paris Taylor, Heaven Trimboli, AJ Williams, Sana Williams, Madison Yu

Acronymns: (DE) Dual Enrollment, (F) Faculty, (G) Guest, (S) Student



2024-25 DPHS DANCE MAGNET SENIOR

Valeria Perez



Valeria is currently a senior in the Dr. Phillips High School Dance Magnet and has been dancing for 16 years. She is the President & Rehearsal Director of the Dance Magnet as well as a 3rd year teacher assistant and a member of the National Honor Society for Dance Arts. Valeria has been in the Dance in Motion Travel company for four years and has choreographed, taught, and trained in ballet, pointe, modern, jazz, tap, hip hop, and contemporary. Recently she received 3rd place at the National High School Dance Festival for her choreography, "Incandescence". She plans to continue her training at Shenandoah University in their conservatory program for a BFA in dance. Valeria is very passionate about dance and the arts.

2024-25 DPHS DANCE MAGNET SENIOR

Katie Free



Katie is currently 18 years old, born and raised in Orlando, Florida. She has been a part of the Dr. Phillips HS Dance Magnet for four years and is part of the 'Dance in Motion' Travel Company and a member of National Honor Society for Dance Arts. Currently, Katie serves as the Dance Magnet Social Media Officer. Through the DPHS Dance Magnet, she has trained in a variety of styles such as pointe, ballet, modern, jazz, and contemporary, networked with teachers across the country, and performed in many notable concerts such as the National High School Dance Festival. Katie plans to attend Valencia College for her AA, then FSU for Communications.

2024-25 DPHS DANCE MAGNET SENIOR

Paris Taylor



Paris is currently a Senior at Dr. Phillips High School and is an active member of the Dance Magnet Program with the National Honor Society for Dance Arts and Company 2. Paris started dancing when she was six years old and did various styles such as Hip Hop, and Afrofusion before joining Walker Middle School's Dance Elective for two years. Today, Paris continues to further advance and be educated in her dance knowledge through classes and after school activities with the Dance Magnet Program. Paris plans to attend Rollins College and pursue Law.

2024-25 DPHS DANCE MAGNET SENIOR

Brianna Oyola

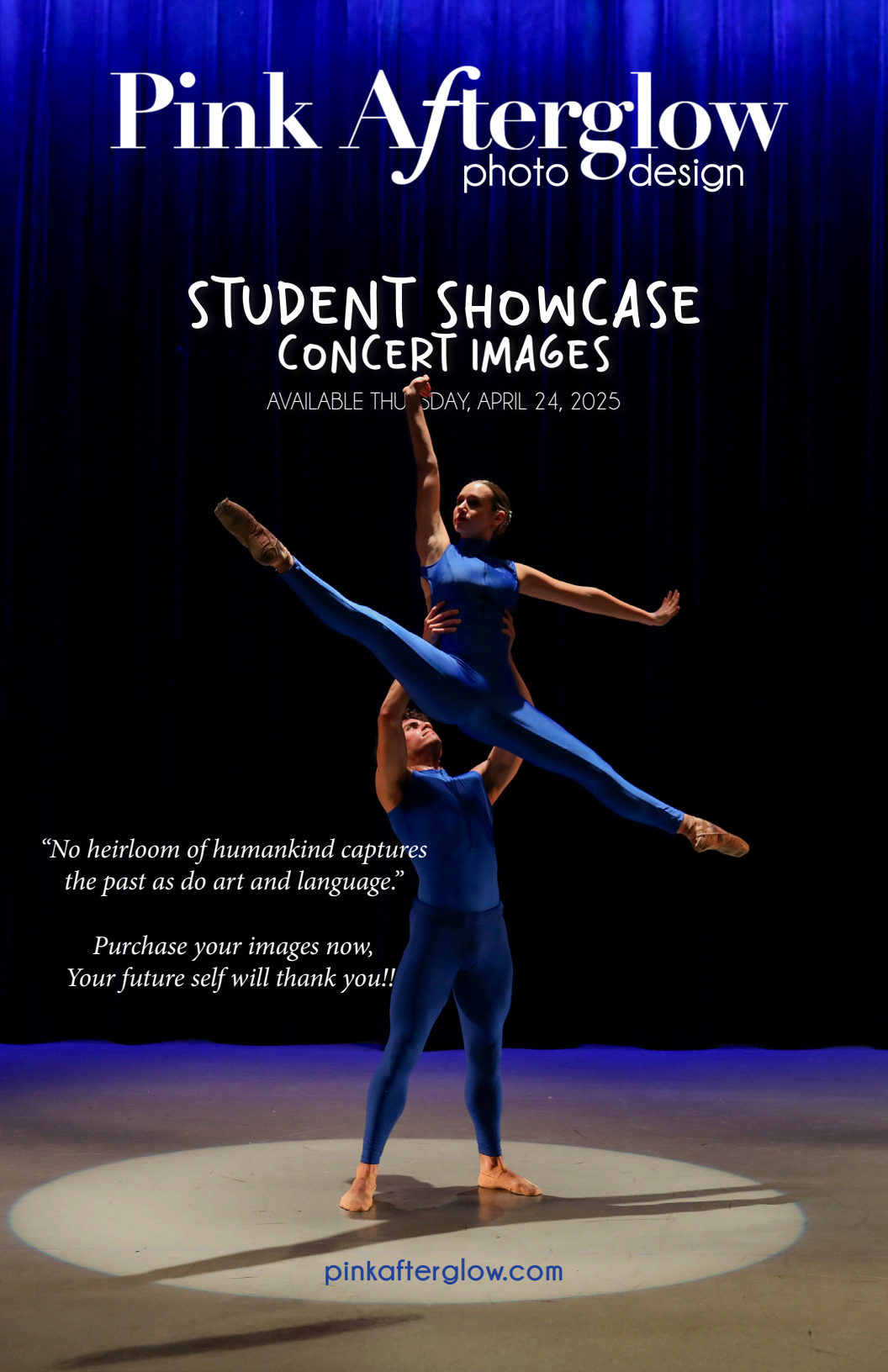


Brianna is an 18-year-old dancer trained in various styles including modern, ballet, jazz, and contemporary. She attended Osceola County School for the Arts from 8th to 11th grade transferring to the Dr. Phillips Dance Magnet for her senior year. Brianna has performed in numerous showcases and dance competitions. She also completed an intensive at Point Park University in 2022. With a strong dedication to her craft, she continues to grow as a performer and artist. She will continue her journey at George Mason University this fall.

Pink Afterglow
photo design

STUDENT SHOWCASE
CONCERT IMAGES

AVAILABLE THURSDAY, APRIL 24, 2025



"No heirloom of humankind captures the past as do art and language."

Purchase your images now,
Your future self will thank you!!

pinkafterglow.com

Katie,

We have loved every moment of watching you become the amazing young lady you are today. It's been a joy to watch you light up a room, on or off the stage. Keep shining bright!

Love,
Mom + Dad



VALERIA PEREZ













Your dreams have always been bigger than you. Keep on chasing them baby girl. Remember I am your biggest fan since day one. LOVE YOU!

xoxo Mom

Valeria Ivette Perez









You are beautiful inside and out. To watch you dance and light up the stage every time is our dream come true. Proud of what you have done and all you will do next! Love Mami, Pao, Grandma, & Grandpa

VALERIA PEREZ









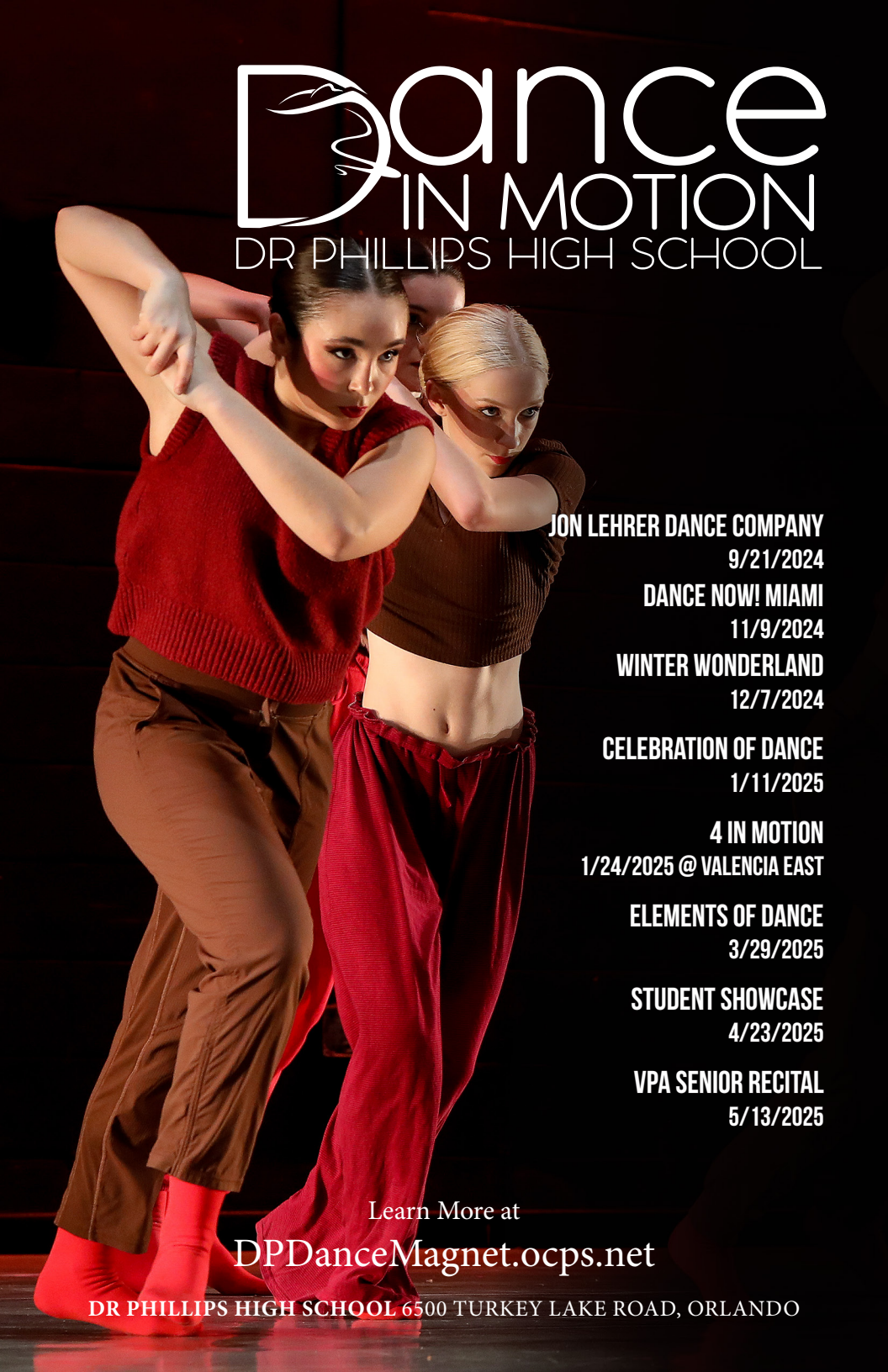








You leave beautiful memories
To go achieve all you want
We will always be here loving you
You got this!!!


Dance
IN MOTION
DR PHILLIPS HIGH SCHOOL
JON LEHRER DANCE COMPANY
9/21/2024
DANCE NOW! MIAMI
11/9/2024
WINTER WONDERLAND
12/7/2024
CELEBRATION OF DANCE
1/11/2025
4 IN MOTION
1/24/2025 @ VALENCIA EAST
ELEMENTS OF DANCE
3/29/2025
STUDENT SHOWCASE
4/23/2025
VPA SENIOR RECITAL
5/13/2025
Learn More at
DPDanceMagnet.ocps.net
DR PHILLIPS HIGH SCHOOL 6500 TURKEY LAKE ROAD, ORLANDO