

## THE DANCE PROGRAM

The mission of the Naperville Park District Dance program is to provide quality dance training to interested children at a reasonable cost. Our students learn about dance and appreciation of the art, in addition to learning steps and technique.

Beginning with Pre-Ballet and progressing to all levels of Ballet, Pointe, and Jazz, our classes are carefully constructed and divided by level of ability and age appropriateness. Newer classes to our program include Pre-Ballet for Mommy & Me, Hip Hop, Tap, Pre-Tap, and Dance & Pom. Each year of instruction concludes with a student recital in May for all students in levels Pre-Primary to Advanced Ballet, Tap, Jazz and Hip Hop.

## AVERY SIPLA PROGRAM COORDINATOR

Avery is a graduate of North Central College and has been involved in the Naperville Park District Dance Program for over 26 years. As a ballet student, she was a founding member of the Concert Dance Ensemble. She has been a ballet instructor for thirteen years and is the current dance program coordinator. She has choreographed for local theater productions in addition to performing on stage as a dancer and singer.



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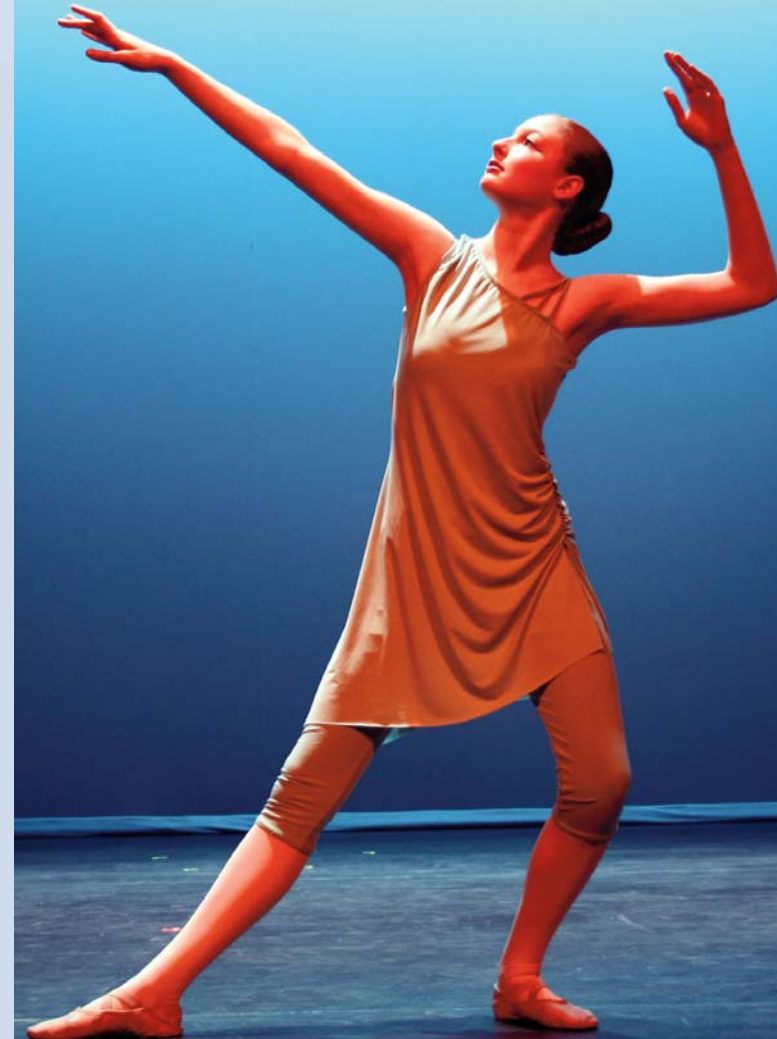


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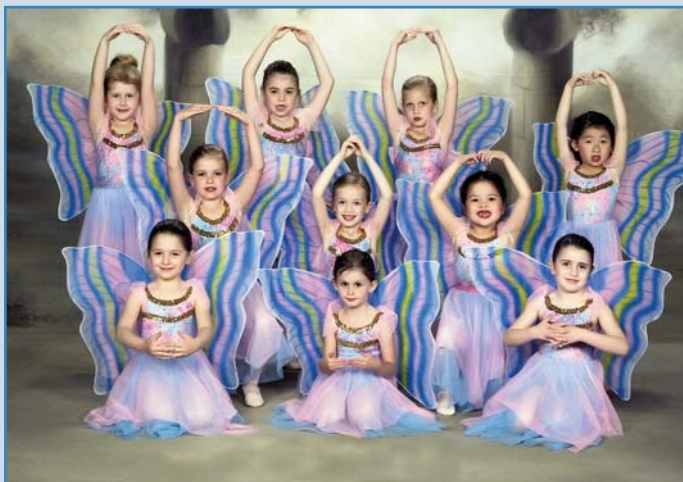


## CONCERT DANCE ENSEMBLE

More advanced students in ballet and jazz have the opportunity to audition for the NPD Concert Dance Ensemble, a pre-professional group of experienced NPD dance program students. Company members expand their dance experience through various performances throughout the year as they educate and entertain the Naperville community. The Ensemble has performed at Dance Chicago, school-related programs, as part of arts education in elementary schools, and at community events such as Carillon concerts. In addition, the Ensemble presents an annual production each March consisting of an eclectic blend of dances including ballet, jazz, and modern.

## FACILITIES

The two main facilities of the dance program are a 1380-square foot studio and a 1506-square foot studio. Both rooms feature new sprung dance floors, permanent bars, and floor-to-ceiling mirrors. The studios are located at the Alfred Rubin Riverwalk Community Center (ARRCC), at 305 W. Jackson Avenue in Naperville. An additional location, which is used for instruction, is located at Naperville Central High School.



## INSTRUCTION

The NPD Dance Program features instructors with a variety of backgrounds and performing experience. Their dance experience includes hip hop, jazz, lyrical, tap, modern, musical theater, poms, pilates, yoga, clogging, ballet, and pointe. Many of our teachers have performed on stage in addition to choreographing dances and musical productions in a variety of settings and for a variety of ages. Our ballet instructors have backgrounds that vary from the Vaganova and Cecchetti methods to the Royal Academy of Dance style.



## CLASS OFFERINGS

The Naperville Park District Dance Program offers day and evening classes, Monday through Saturday.

**Adult Classes**  
(Ballet, Tap, Jazz, Hip Hop, and more)

**Pre-Ballet for Mommy & Me**  
(ages 1 ½ -5)

**Pre-Ballet**  
(ages 4-6)

**Ballet**  
(Levels Pre-Primary to Advanced)

**Dance & Pom**  
(ages 8 & up)

**Hip Hop**  
(ages 10 & up)

**Jazz I-Advanced Jazz**  
(ages 8 & up)

**Pointe**

**Pre-Tap**  
(ages 1 ½-6)

**Tap**  
(ages 7 & up)

**Concert Dance Ensemble**

**Annual Story Production**  
(ages 4 & up, January performance date)

**Summer Intensive Studies**  
(ages 7 & up)

The Summer Intensive Studies are comprised of approximately 55 hours of technique classes in various genres for students ages 7 & up. All students learn variations and dances as part of their experience. Lectures are included that address a variety of dance-related subjects, giving students a more complete dance education.