



DANCESTEEM

Our Inspirations

23rd | 24th ANNUAL PERFORMANCE SPECIAL DANCING IN THE STREETS EDITION

Welcome to the DancEsteem

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Annual Performance Special
Dancing in the Streets Edition Show



OMG! OMG! That is the word to describe our life from 2020 March up until now. We are finally able to see the light at the end of the tunnel. But not yet. That is why we are planning to perform on the street this weekend. I told my students that I'm sorry but we are not allowed to perform at the theater. Instead let's enjoy this opportunity to perform on the street. Many tragedies have happened throughout this past year. Some of you have lost someone from COVID or known someone who got sick, or have been affected in other ways.

But we are still here and we are able to perform! It is a great thing.

I would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to the "MoBu communities". It takes a village to go through tough times. The Brown Family and the Forde Family opened their backyard so that we could have in-person classes behind their homes. The McDougal family also consistently helped out and made suggestions and started fundraising for us. Now we can pay for teachers, a program, video and photos, and support for the tarp. Anne Moses constantly contacted the City. Komolos & Kalanithi families also opened the front of their houses for us to perform.

And again, thank you for all of your flexibility in moving around the dance classes at various locations, time changes and all the protocols that we needed to go thorough. And finally, to all of our teachers and their willingness to teach outdoors in the cold and misty weather. There aren't enough thank you words to say how much we all appreciate what everyone did and went through to make it to this day.

Certainly this is a special year in different ways. We hope to see you next year back at the Cowell theater as usual to celebrate our 25th anniversary! Please cheer for all the dancers when you are here to watch but try to be considerably quiet for the neighbors in the area.

Thank you again and please enjoy these moments!

Takami

Younger Group Starts 1:00p

Saturday May 1st



** Pre- K class will be performing at the studio as a regular class 10:00a*

Pre-K: Modern / Ballet (Sat.)

Instructors: Takami Craddock
TA- Dalilah Buffalo

Esme Goldobin, Madeline Graubard, Tom Kenan, Yuval Maoz, Athena Raade, Alma Shahar, Madeleine Smieja, Valentina Talavera Rocha

1. K & 1st grade (Fri.)

■ Martin Luther King Jr.

Instructor: Takami Craddock

TA - Clair Fortescue

Stella Basso, Lasca Borders, Zina Brown, Audrey Coffin, Emi Hardiman, Cammie Siden, Zoe Zheleznyak

2. Ballet I - Younger (Tues.)

■ Cinderella

Instructor: Alyssandra Wu

Bridget Sasha Cho, Anousheh Khaghani-Lutz, Aya Murray, Luna Nguyen

3. 1st & 2nd grade: Modern / Ballet (Wed.)

■ Audrey Hepburn

Instructor: Takami Craddock

TA - Astrid Utting

Valentina Ahumada, Vivian Grasser (not performing), Lucia Gutierrez, Quinn Kennedy, Anousheh Khaghani-Lutz, Ogden Mcginn, Corinne Moyer, Sachi Roy

4. 1st & 2nd grade: Modern / Ballet (Sat.)

■ Super Hero

Instructor: Takami Craddock

TA - Kate Gross

Emi Fitts, Taylor Gay, James Kalanithi, Arthur Ryan,
Finley Siden

5. 2nd & 3rd grade: Modern / Ballet (Sat.)

■ Kamala Harris

Instructor: Takami Craddock

TA - Zoe McDougall

Caroline Chang, Lily Dombey, Emilia Dorie, Emily
Camilla Freschl, Finley Glezakos (not performing),
Julia Graff, Maya Kuznets, Sydney Mehta, Naomi
Schofield

6. 2nd & 3rd grade: Modern / Ballet (Mon.)

■ Rosa Parks

Instructor: Takami Craddock

TA - Eve Haghghi

Isabella Burke, Sejal Datar, Anjali Forth, Ivy Frank,
Nina Hardiman, Auben Hewitt, Sofia Horne Rae,
Eliza Molinari, Nora Wtyklo

7. Caroline Chang

Have it All

Choreography: Takami Craddock

8. 3rd & 4th grade: Modern (Thurs.)

■ Amanda Gorman

Instructor: Takami Craddock

TA - Annabelle Thugnet

Kyla Borisov, Lina Boyko, Cailyn Cockburn, Akira
Davidson-Mizuta, Eve Kalanithi, Zara Kehoe, Emma
Kluft, Anika Parulkar, West Raade, Ursula Sterkel,
Mahiti Upadhya





9. Akira Davidson-Mizuta

Fight Song

Choreography: Takami Craddock

10. Emma Kluff

Queens Don't

Choreography: Takami Craddock

11. Mahiti Upadhya

Diamond

Choreography: Takami Craddock

12. 4th & 5th grade: Modern (Mon.)

■ Harriet Tubman

Instructor: Takami Craddock

TA - Kaeli Chop

Emma Anderson, Bridget Biggs, Isabel Blanco, Violet Homsey, Madellyn Johnson, Eisa Krikhaar, Sydney Loeb, Eliana Molofsky, Phoebe Schofield, Madeline Shehu, Scarlett Simmons, Julia Weidner

13. 4th & 5th grade: Modern (Tues.)

■ Health Workers

Instructor: Takami Craddock

Isabella Ahumada, Leena Almuhtadi, Shamsi Brown (not performing), Scarlett Burns, Zoe Campbell, Brendan Dehner, Ezra Halpin, Frankie Hauth, Kaiya Jones, Paloma Rose

14. Ballet II - Younger (Fri.)

■ RBG

Instructor: Vincent Chavez

Leena Almuhtadi, Paloma Rose

15. Eisa Krikhaar

White Horse

Choreography: Emily Morrison

16. Scarlett Simmons

Blinding Light

Choreography: Takami Craddock

17. Frankie Hauth

Going Strong

Choreography: Alyssandra Wu

18. Brendan Dehner

Survive? Thrive

Choreography: Nekai Abriol

19. Hip Hop I (Mon.)

■ Keith Herring - Pop Art

Instructor: Nekai Abriol

Kyla Borisov, Sora Dickstein-Staub, Amelie Salgado,

Neva Steiger, Oscar Yagmin

20. Hip Hop II (Mon.)

■ Michelle Obama -
Thousand Small Kindnesses

Instructor: Nekai Abriol

TA - Lula Anderson

Leena Almuhtadi, Brendan Dehner, Beatrix Oliver,

Flora Piscopo, Giulia Putt, Gabriela Reis, Eva Tateishi

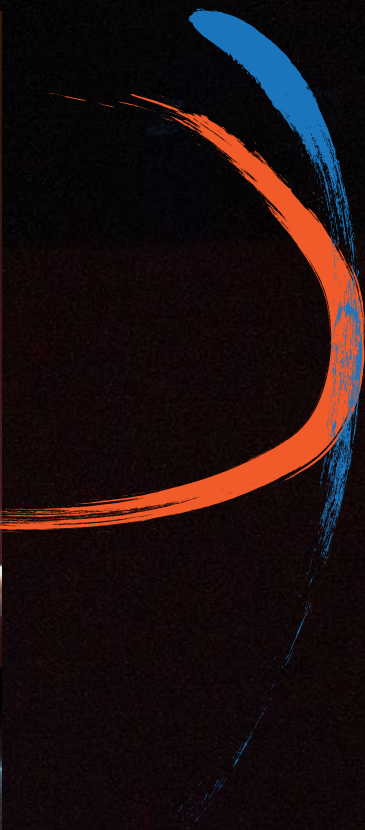


This year's seniors when they were in fourth/fifth grade dance class.



Takami was the first person who taught me how to truly love myself, I would not be the dancer or human I am today without her constant support, love, and passion. I love you, onward!
— Dalilah Buffalo





Takami taught me
how to love dance and
showed me that dance
loves me back.
— Elena Fields





Mobu dance studio has been my second home for the last 11 years. It is where I learned the power of community, vulnerability, and confidence.

— Maya Baruch





I am so sad to be leaving Mobu which has been such a big impact on my life, but I am excited to see what is ahead of me and hopefully am able to continue dancing throughout my life and college.

— Claire Fortescue



Older Group Starts 12:00 noon

Sunday May 2nd**1. 6th & 7th grade: Contemporary (Wed.)**■ **Nancy Pelosi****Instructor: Alyssandra Wu****TA - Maya Baruch**

Maisie Hauth, Riyana Jain, Piper Ling-Winick,
 Juniper McTrang, Elene Nakagawa, Mei Narvid,
 Olivia Pach, Lili Bean Schafer (not performing)

2. 6th & 7th grade: Contemporary (Thur.)■ **Alexander Hamilton****Instructor: Alyssandra Wu**

Margot DeLoche, Sofi Ehlen, Yume Hoshino, Saya
 Tarm, Mikaela Ulloa-Esquivel, Ellie Wasem-Klementz,
 Aleena Wong

3. Maisie Hauth**Driver's License****Choreography: Alyssandra Wu****4. Juniper McTrang****Aura****Choreography: Nekai Abriol****5. Riyana Jain & Piper Ling-Winick.****Underdog****Choreography: Alyssandra Wu****6. Yume Hoshino****Henny in the Hamptons****Choreography: Alyssandra Wu**

7. Saya Tarm

Nobody Like You

Choreography: Alyssandra Wu

8. Hip Hop Teen I (Mon.)

Freddie Mercury - Royal Rootz

Instructor: Nekai Abriol

Lula Anderson, Malea Clayton, Sofi Ehlen, Violet Gluck, Meghan Gross, Eleanor Massillon, Natalia Reis, Aleena Wong

9. Pre-Teen: Contemporary (Wed.)

Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez

Instructor: Emily Morrison

TA - Claire Fortescue

Lilly Brown, Sophie Finch (not performing), Jasmine Hernandez, Ramona Jacobson, Zoe McDougal, Zara Milham, Marcela Roderick, Jasper Rucker, Lyla Van Sant, Alisa Zheleznyak

10. Lula Anderson

Matrilineal Mastermind

Choreography: Nekai Abriol

11. Lilly Brown & Zara Milham

Long Story Short

Choreography: Emily Morrison

12. Hip Hop Teen II (Mon.)

Janelle Monae - innerG

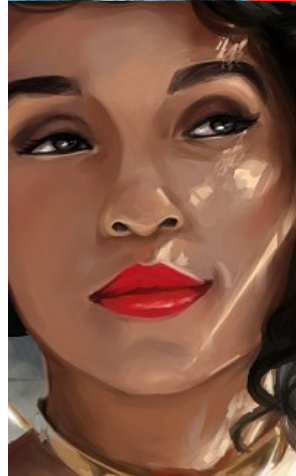
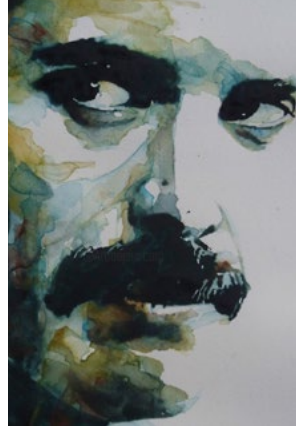
Instructor: Nekai Abriol

Serina Jain, Eline Munck, Tabitha Paik, Sophia Paris, Elisa Umanets

13. Zoe McDougal

Rise Up

Choreography: Emily Morrison





14. Teen II (Thurs.)

■ Alicia Keys

Instructor: Alyssandra Wu

Eva Abbott, Zoe Arkin, Toni Bluford, Donavin Hudson

15. Ballet I & II - Older (Tues.)

■ Alice in Wonderland

Instructor: Vincent Chavez

Natalie Dumas, Anabel Harris, Riyana Jain, Zoe McDougal, Emmi Pena, Ellie Wasem-Klementz, Alisa Zheleznyak

16. Teen III-b: Contemporary (Thurs.)

■ Maya Angelou

Instructor: Takami Craddock

TA - Karlee Van

Luella Bail, Natalie Dumas, Simone Edwards, Simone Ferrigno, Anabel Harris, Natalia Hiebert, Serina Jain, Sophie Lee, Marina Lombardi-Coronel, Nina Oberfest, Tabitha Paik, Emmi Pena, Ella Saeger, Annabelle Thugnet

17. Teen III-a: Contemporary (Wed.)

■ Marie Curie

Instructor: Emily Morrison

TA - Claire Fortescue

Ione Davis, Keira Gerstley, Zoe Gronbukt, Oona Haskovec, Binnie Kenvin, Hannah Korthof, Minna Lezak, Agatha Sterkel, Audrey Thornton, Mackenzie Wilson

18. Marina Lombardi-Coronel

Two Feet

Choreography: Vincent Chavez

19. Oona Haskovec & Agatha Sterkel

Let Go

Choreography: Oona Haskovec & Agatha Sterkel

20. Ballet IV - Older (Fri.)

▪ Misty Copeland

Instructor: Vincent Chavez

Mella Bettag, Malea Clayton, Simone Edwards, Kate Gross, Anabel Harris, Annabelle Thugnet

21. Eve Haghighi & Tabitha Paik

Let it Die

Choreography: Alyssandra Wu

22. Workshop-b (Fri.)

▪ Hayao Miyazaki

Instructor: Alyssandra Wu

Luella Bail, Michelle Berry, Hannah Korthof, Zoe McDougal, Aila Peterson, Annika Peterson, Anaiya Ramanathan, Mackenzie Wilson, Reina Yee (not performing)

23. Workshop-a (Wed.)

▪ Marilyn Monroe

Instructor: Alyssandra Wu

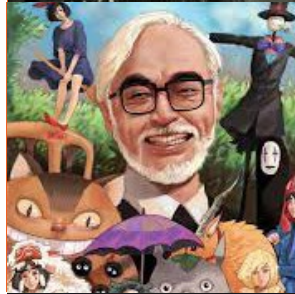
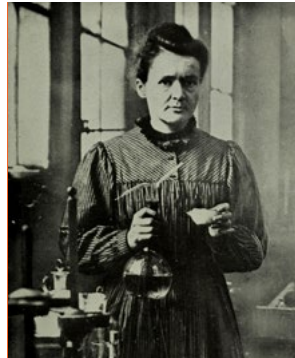
Mella Bettag, Kaeli Chop, Finley Dehner, Natalie Dumas, Simone Ferrigno, Anabel Harris, Natalia Hiebert, Nina Oberfest, Tabitha Paik, Astrid Utting

24. MoBu Parents (Sat.)

▪ Women's Suffrage

Instructor: Takami Craddock

Laura Fankushen, Diane Free, Christina Friedrich, Michelle Londono, Gaby Marin, Jill McInerney, Renee Moyer, Molly Sterkel, Deborah Taylor





25. Teen IV (Fri.)

■ **Frida Kahlo**

Instructor: Takami Craddock

Adelaide Chaiken Hamilton, Eve Haghighi, Tasha Komlos, Elysia Lee, Aila Peterson, Annika Peterson, Hanna Wheeler

26. Teen V (Mon.)

■ **Picasso**

Instructor: Takami Craddock

Michelle Berry, Mella Bettag, Kaeli Chop, Zita Forde, Kate Gross, Karis Kotschnig, Olivia Mancasola, Chloe Ostermann, Anaiya Ramanathan, Jessica Schott-Rosenfield, Zoe Solari, Essie Tuerk-Levy

27. Annika Peterson

Chopinesque

Choreography: Annika Peterson, Takami Craddock

28. Aila Peterson

Any Way the Wind Blows

Choreography: Priita Peterson

29. Company I (Tues.)

■ **Martha Graham**

Instructor: Takami Craddock

Kaeli Chop, Finley Dehner, Charlotte DeRoulhac, Cataleen Flores, Rowan Francis Taylor, Kate Gross, Rhea Iyer (not performing), Lauren Kaskey, Tasha Komlos, Mira Solomon, Astrid Utting

30. Teen VI (Wed.)

■ **Andy Warhol**

Instructor: Takami Craddock

*Fionnuala Eastwood, *Ryan Glenn, *Amy Phipps

31. Company II (Thurs.)

■ Frank Lloyd Wright

Instructor: Takami Craddock

TA - Karlee Van

*Maya Baruch, *Dalilah Buffalo, *Elena Fields,
Cataleen Flores, *Claire Fortescue, *Rowan Francis
Taylor, *Paris Graff, *Fiona Mackey, Mira Solomon,
*Leila Sulentic, *Sophie Sullivan,
*Karlee Van (2020 graduate)

33. Seniors' Special Pieces

Order of dancers

Solos: Dalilah Buffalo, Maya Baruch, Claire
Fortescue, Rowen Francis Taylor, Amy Phipps,
Leila Sulentic, Sophie Sullivan

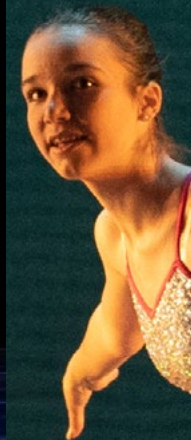
Trio: Fionnuala Eastwood, Fiona Mackey and
Ryan Glenn

34. Duet

Choreography & Concept by Elena Fields

Elena Fields & Takami

*Seniors



Third Year

Eva Abbott
 Zoe Arkin
 Isabel Blanco
 Scarlett Burns
 Emily Camilla Freschl
 Taylor Gay
 Vivian Grasser
 Emi Hardiman
 Nina Hardiman
 Sofia Horne Rae
 Donavin Hudson
 Madellyn Johnson
 Zara Kehoe
 Sydney Loeb
 Beatrix Oliver
 Sophia Paris
 Anika Parulkar
 Emmi Pena
 Natalia Reis
 Marcela Roderick
 Jasper Rucker
 Arthur Ryan
 Ella Saeger
 Ursula Sterkel
 Lyla Van Sant
 Zoe Zheleznyak

Fourth Year

Valentina Ahumada
 Lina Boyko
 Lily Dombey
 Emilia Dorie
 Natalie Dumas
 Sofi Ehlen
 Anjali Forth
 Ivy Frank
 Lucia Gutierrez
 Anabel Harris
 Ramona Jacobson
 Eve Kalanithi
 Gaby Marin
 Jill McInerney
 Mei Narvid
 Chloe Ostermann
 Amy Phipps
 Giulia Putt
 Anaiya Ramanathan

Molly Sterkel
 Deborah Taylor

Fifth Year

Isabella Ahumada
 Emma Anderson
 Kyla Borisov
 Adelaide Chaiken Hamilton
 Fionnuala Eastwood
 Laura Fankushen
 Rowan Francis Taylor
 Diane Free
 Christina Friedrich
 Julia Graff
 Meghan Gross
 Jasmine Hernandez
 Violet Homsey
 Anousheh Khaghani-Lutz
 Maya Kuznets
 Michelle Londono
 Eliza Molinari
 Corinne Moyer
 West Raade
 Naomi Schofield
 Jessica Schott-Rosenfield
 Elisa Umanets
 Hanna Wheeler
 Aleena Wong
 Alisa Zheleznyak

Sixth Year

Lula Anderson
 Caroline Chang
 Akira Davidson-Mizuta
 Brendan Dehner
 Frankie Hauth
 Maisie Hauth
 Yume Hoshino
 Emma Kluff
 Eisa Krikhaar
 Marina Lombardi-Coronel
 Zoe McDougal
 Juniper McTrang
 Scarlett Simmons
 Saya Tarm
 Mahiti Upadhya
 Reina Yee

Seventh Year

Leena Almuhtadi
Sophie Finch
Natalia Hiebert
Kaiya Jones
Nina Oberfest
Olivia Pach
Lili Bean Schafer
Phoebe Schofield
Zoe Solari
Audrey Thornton

Eighth Year

Luella Bail
Zoe Campbell
Claire Fortescue
Ryan Glenn
Violet Gluck
Lauren Kaskey
Karis Kotschnig
Paloma Rose

Ninth Year

Mella Bettag
Lilly Brown
Ione Davis
Paris Graff
Eve Haghighi
Oona Haskovec
Riyana Jain
Binnie Kenvin
Piper Ling-Winick
Fiona Mackey
Zara Milham
Elene Nakagawa
Tabitha Paik

Tenth Year

Finley Dehner
Simone Ferrigno
Cataleen Flores
Agatha Sterkel
Annabelle Thugnet
Mackenzie Wilson

Eleventh Year

Maya Baruch
Dalilah Buffalo
Charlotte deRoulhac
Zoe Gronbukt
Hannah Korthof
Sophie Lee
Olivia Mancasola
Astrid Utting

Twelfth Year

Michelle Berry
Kaeli Chop
Keira Gerstley
Kate Gross
Serina Jain
Mira Solomon
Leila Sulentic
Sophie Sullivan

Thirteenth Year

Zita Forde
Rhea Iyer
Tasha Komlos
Aila Peterson
Annika Peterson

Fifteenth Year

Elena Fields



Choreography & Direction

Takami Craddock

Associate Director:

Jennifer Ferrigno

Co-Associate Director:

Alyssandra Wu

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Takami Craddock, Emily Morrison, Alyssandra Wu

Ballet Teacher

Vincent Chavez

Hip Hop Teacher

Nekai Abriol

Teacher Assistants

Lula Anderson, Maya Baruch, Dalilah Buffalo, Kaeli Chop, Claire Fortescue, Kate Gross, Eve Haghighi, Zoe McDougal, Annabelle Thugnet, Astrid Utting, Karlee Van

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