

COLORADO
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SOCIETY



Colorado Ballet Society | Primary Division Holiday Showcase

It Was The Night Before Christmas



SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6TH | 3:30PM

Colorado Ballet Society was founded by Patricia Hoffman in 1997 with the mission to provide aspiring dancers with superior training in a teaching environment that challenges the individual to attain new levels of excellence. In August 2021, the Matt Walsh family acquired the studio and appointed Kate Walsh as Artistic Director.

Colorado Ballet Society offers advanced, intermediate, and beginning dance classes for ages 2.5 and up in Classical Ballet, Contemporary, Jazz, Broadway, Hip Hop, Tap, Classical Spanish Dance, Variations, Sparkle Dance, and Acro. Summer classes are available in all disciplines and levels, with special programs including Ballet Intensive, Sparkle Dance Workshop, Acro Dance Workshop, Broadway Dance Workshop, Worship Dance Workshop, Choreography Workshop, and Competition Preparation Workshop.

Colorado Ballet Society promotes health and excellence in training while encouraging cooperation and community for all students and their families. Our state-of-the-art facility, with eight full-sized teaching and rehearsal studios, is located at **8570 Criterion Drive, Suite 154** (across from the Briargate Post Office in northeast C/S).

Companies in residence include **Colorado Youth Ballet, Competition Ensemble, Connexus Dance Collective, Elevate Productions, and Praise Dance Ensemble.**

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**Best Dance Studio for Kids and
Best Dance Studio for Adults
for the 13th year in a row, and**

Best Downtown Event: *A Colorado Nutcracker*

'Twas the Night Before Christmas

Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas

Classes: Contemporary/Jazz Pearl/Diamond

Instructors: Kimberly Cano,

Music: "Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas"

Maleah Douma, Sammi Efaw,

by Ella Fitzgerald

Lauryn Mechelse

Lucille Anderson, Isabella Burns, Finley Freier, Hannah Haas, Hannah Hill, Emily Matteson,

Giuliana Rivera, Kimber Rusch, Joanna Swiontek, Julia Trimble

- Interlude -

Frosty the Snowman

Class: Sparkle 3-4 Ballet, Wed 9:45 AM, Thurs 4:15 PM

Instructor: Kaylee Cheney

Music: "Frosty The Snowman" by Kidsongs

Camella Fearnside, Eloise Hurlbut, Hannah Pietraszek,

Isabelle Satterfield, Nina Schmidt, Grace Willey

- Interlude -

Good Things Come in Little Packages

Class: Ballet Silver, Tues 4:00 PM

Instructor: Caroline Fruci

Music: "Good Things Come in Little Packages"

by Precious Moments Brightest Star Cassette

Emma Kate Adkinson, Sadie Butler, Selah Cooper, Ke Li, Charlotte Spurlin, Emma West

- Interlude -

Tappin' Mouse

Class: Sparkle 3-4 Tap, Wed 4:15 PM

Instructor: Kaylee Cheney

Music: "Cute Little Tapping Mouse"

by Danc'em

Isla Cutter, Jade Li, Alaina Little, Zoe Nordstrom

- Interlude -

It's Christmas Now

Class: Hip Hop Pearl/Diamond

Instructor: Maleah Douma

Music: "It's Christmas Now!" by JoJo Siwa

Finley Freier, Penelope Helzer, Emily Matteson, Ariel Nemeth

- Interlude -

Parade of the Wooden Soldiers

Class: Tap Silver/Gold

Instructor: Lauryn Mechelse

Music: "Parade of the Wooden Soldiers"

by Harry Connick Jr.

Juliet Bolen, Elizabeth Matteson, Stevie Nimmo, Piper Osbourne, Zoey Richey, McKenna Weber

- Interlude -

Suzy Snowflake

Class: Sparkle 4-5 Ballet, Wed 5:15 PM

Instructor: Kaylee Cheney

Music: "Suzy Snowflake"

by Rosemary Clooney

Camille Georges, Graham Glenn, Chandler Hansen, Ella Herndonn,
Isabella Jaquin, Penelope Johnson, Lyla Maciejewski, Nixie Meyer,
Daisy Preister, Ava Steward, Dorothy Trimble, Sara Webb

- Interlude -

Christmas in Killarney

Class: Ballet Pearl, Tues 5:00 PM

Instructor: Maleah Douma

Music: "Christmas In Killarney"

by Craig Duncan

Charlotte Allgood, Dylan Angeles, Fransisca Behan,
Penelope Helzer, Julia Trimble, Charlotte West

- Interlude -

Marshmallow World

Class: Jazz Silver/Gold

Instructors: Kaylee Cheney, Lauryn Mechelse

Music: "Marshmallow World"

by Francesca Battistelli

Emma Kate Adkinson, Caroline Dinkins, Zuri Lyons, Isabella Reynolds

- Interlude -

Sleigh Ride

Class: Ballet Pearl, Thurs 5:00 PM

Instructor: Kaylee Cheney

Music: "Sleigh Ride" (Instrumental)

by MF Mobile Melody Creators

Lucille Anderson, Isabella Burns, Madeline Fegley, Finley Freier, Hannah Haas, Hannah Hill,
Giuliana Rivera, Kimber Rusch, Emily Satterfield, Joanna Swiontek

- Interlude -

Let It Snow

Class: Sparkle 4-5 Tap, Wed 10:30 AM

Instructor: Kaylee Cheney

Music: "Let It Snow" by Dean Martin

Josie Burkholz, Eliannie Gil, Britta Hamilton, Maci Harmon, Theodosia Lewis, Stella Molinelli

- Interlude -

When Santa Claus Gets Your Letter

Class: Ballet Silver, Mon 4:15 PM

Instructor: Kaylee Cheney

Music: "When Santa Claus Gets Your Letter"

by The Golden Orchestra

Eleanor Banks, Juliet Bolen, Caroline Dinkins, Everly Fearnside, Winifred Garcia,
Joy Prieksat, Shelby Sedlack Knutson, Rosabelle Smith

- Interlude -

Sparklejollytwinklejingle

Class: Tap Pearl/Diamond

Instructor: Lauryn Mechelse

Music: "Sparklejollytwinklejingle" Elf Musical

by Mathew Sklar, Chad Beguelin

Penelope Helzer, Hannah Hill, Emily Matteson, Emily Satterfield, Cohen Thomas

- Interlude -

Sugar Plum Fairy Variation, The Nutcracker

Music: Composer, Peter IlyichTchaikovsky

Original Choreography: Marius Petipa

Arranged by: Kate Walsh

Corina Dittman

- Interlude -

Nuttin' for Christmas

Class: Ballet Gold, Mon 6:00 PM

Instructor: Kaylee Cheney

Music: "Nuttin' For Christmas" by Barry Gordon

Ila Burger, Aya Dawson, Ezra Fegley, Eloise Georges, Zuri Lyons, Elizabeth Matteson,
Stevie Nimmo, Isabella Reynolds, Camila Ruffner, Elena Schmidt, McKenna Weber

- Interlude -

Carol of the Bells

Class: Ballet Diamond

Instructors: Julia Shugart, Lauryn Mechelse,

Music: "Carol of the Bells" by Cheryl Falk

Nichole Bennis, Sammi Efaw

& The Island Choral Experience

Amelia Dixon, Finley Eldredge, Adeline Georges, Emily Matteson,
Ariel Nemeth, Lise Rolek, Cohen Thomas, Gianna Thomas

- The End -



Production Credits

Artistic Director & School Principal

Kate Walsh

**Director of Operations &
School Vice Principal**

Mia Gerrish

Finance Director

Amanda Daubendiek

Production Manager

Kimberly Cano

Company Coordinator

Nichole Bennis

Founder & Director Emeritus

Patricia Hoffman

Sparkle Division Manager

Caroline Fruci

Primary Division Instructors

Nichole Bennis, Kimberly Cano, Kaylee Cheney, Maleah Douma, Sammi Efaw, Caroline Fruci, Emily Katz, Lauryn Mechelse, Julia Shugart

Choreographers

Nichole Bennis, Kimberly Cano, Maleah Douma, Mia Gerrish, Bethanny Jorenby-Shea, Laci Landry, Amy Schaefer

Front Desk Lead

Jody Mechelse

Administrative Assistants

Jamie Cheney, Abbie Mayfield, Tim McDermott

Media Coordinator

Lauryn Mechelse

Teacher Assistants

Zoe Anderson, Kenna Baker, Veda Bulger, Grace Contoveros, Cora Couch, River Fegley, Charlize Fisk, Jessica Foster, Lauren Gonzalez, Sloane Hiett, Miriam Holiday, Makenna Kundert, Olivia Llanas, Elsie London, June Morgan, Audrey Palidar, Sophia Pedigo, Abigail Rice, Olivia Rogers, AnnaClare Russ, Juliana Russ, Samantha Schaub, Madelyn Seeley, Ada Straub, Lucy Waters, Allison Whitcomb

Costume Manager

Sue Norman

Props Lead

Kaitie Brown

Program Book Coordinator

Kayla Coburn

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