

SHOW #5

Recital 2022

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MISSOURI BAPTIST UNIVERSITY

Dear Parents & Dancers!

This season we are celebrating 30 years... What an amazing journey it has been!

This studio all started 33 years ago when Mr. Bill asked me to marry him, load up my entire life in a U-Haul, and follow him from Iowa down to Missouri. Being born and raised in a small town, I went to a small school and always had tons of family around. I taught dance for my sister at her studio, Becky Nalevanko's Dance Studio, for years. I moved here with the intention of just teaching dance at a local studio and set off to see recitals all over the St. Louis area to see where I wanted to apply. I was hoping to find a studio that was similar to what I grew up in. The problem became I just could not find what I was looking for. I began judging dance competitions and believe it or not there were only a few at the time. It was not like it is now... boy has our dance world evolved and changed over the years!

During that time I also became a new step-mom of 3 children (Misha, Todd and Chad) but I was still a little lost in my professional life. I wasn't finding what I was looking for in any local studio. Mr. Bill believed in me and he loved me and he encouraged me to open my own studio. From there the story just grows... I met Sue Goldschmidt (former Madison's manager) at my new neighborhood's "Mom's Coffee" and she also thought a new dance studio in the area was a great idea. In 1991, I opened Renee Johnson's Dance Studio in a one room studio. I welcomed so many wonderful friends, faculty members, and dancers over the years and most importantly added two beautiful daughters of my own, Madison and Sydney!

30 years later we have two studio locations, a dancewear store, two competitive teams, a performance team and hip hop crew. We are now able to provide so many more opportunities for dancers to learn and grow and THAT is exactly what I was looking for all those years ago.

Over the years we have had many faculty members come through. Each one feels like family and a few originals remain today. Two in particular deserve a big shout out because OH the memories we have made!

Miss Brooke was the first. She was a neighbor, student, babysitter, office assistant (starting at my house at the age of 9!), the office manager (at what was originally Renee's Dance Floor), and is now our amazing Social Media Director and truly jack of all creative trades. I love her family too!

Miss Gretchen is the most loved and well known... Why? She has been here over 25 years and has been by my side through thick and thin no matter what! When she started her first years teaching she was called "Mean Miss Gretchen" and is now the teacher so loved and wanted by all. She cries at the drop of the hat often because she is so passionate about this studio. She loves her job, she loves the kids, she is a fabulous mom and has an absolutely wonderful family. From the Mimi and PaPaw that she has shared with my own girls, to her own children Mary Grace and Walker, and her bonus family Eric, Brady, and Carter.

I want to shout out the following who have been with me over 10+ years: Miss Debra, Miss Leah, Miss Katey, and Miss Dana. I could also count Miss Diane if we add the years her daughter Delaney danced with us prior to her teaching. I could go on and on about each faculty member I've had the privilege of knowing the last 30 years, but the list is so incredibly long. Including our first year teachers, our instructors are top notch and mean the world to us. We believe in quality over quantity and believe the proper dance technique is important. Our fabulous instructors truly make RJ's the incredible place it is today. These people love what they do and love teaching the art of dance.

I also want you to know I appreciate every mom, dad, grandparent, friend, and dancer who has made a commitment to our studio and dance education. You all allow us to do what we love every single day. We are so excited that you finally get to celebrate with us as we get back to a normal RJ's Dance Recital this year! And don't forget to wait for that curtain call at the end of our show... it is one of our favorite new traditions!

Love,

Miss Renee

Credits

2021-2022 FACULTY

Renee Johnson	Owner, Director, Instructor
Gretchen Stanton	Assistant Director, RJ's Ellisville Competition Team Director, Instructor
Brooke Braswell	Social Media & Communications
Arianna Russ	RJ's Ellisville Competition Team Assistant, Instructor
Cara Snyder	Instructor
Cassie Callahan	Instructor
Dana Golio	RJ's Performance Team Assistant, Instructor
Diane Glazer	RJ's Hip Hop Crew Director, Instructor
Debra Lacavich	Lead Seamstress, Instructor
Gabrielle Nisbett	Instructor
Jasmine Spencer	Instructor
Jessie Philbrick	RJ's Ellisville Competition Team Assistant, Instructor
Katey Winget	RJ's Chesterfield Competition Team Assistant, Instructor
Kaylee Schriever	RJ's Hip Hop Crew Team Assistant, Instructor
Leah Kornucik	RJ's Chesterfield Competition Team & Performance Team Director, Instructor
Maggie Battermann	RJ's Chesterfield Competition Team Assistant, Instructor
Maggie Dultz	Instructor
Nia Spencer	Instructor
Taylor Kinner	RJ's Chesterfield Competition Team Assistant, Instructor

Class Assistants & Helpers

Kate Adam, Dossan Bell, Catherine Georgacopoulos, Jules Harris, Claire Kesting, Aubrey Lacavich, Reagan Roeder, Cami Suarez, Devin Thomas, Izzy Winfield, Olivia Grace Wolf

Office Support Staff:

Kate Dobson, Rylie Fine, Lori Fugate, Katie Godefroid, Kathleen Harris, Alisha Lueders, Nicci Murphy, Lauren Secoy, Katey Winget

Parent Design Team:

Julia Lueders, Megan Short, Parties & Props

Madison's Dancewear:

Kelly Johnson (Manager)

Our Performances are being professionally recorded and edited by:

Visual Tech Productions

Edited shows will be delivered digitally via email in parent portal approximately 6 weeks from show date!

Theater Etiquette

Please silence all Electronic Devices!

No flash Photography is permitted!

No food or drink is allowed in the theatre at any time. **NO EXCEPTIONS!**

Please do not talk to your neighbors during the performances!

Please only enter and exit between routines if you must! Our ushers have been instructed to keep the doors closed during the performance.

APPLAUSE! APPLAUSE! APPLAUSE!

Show all our performers your appreciation with appropriate applause and cheer.

please do not leave your seats until all of our seniors, dancers, & faculty have taken their final bow!

Renee's staff as well as the performers appreciate your cooperation & respect!

2022 Graduating Seniors



Isabella Bahr

Graduating from Liberty High School (Liberty Belles - 4 Years)

14 Years at RJ's

12 Years on RJ's Chesterfield Competition Team

Heading to Baylor University

College Plans: I plan to major in marketing or computer science. I hope to someday be a Data Analyst or Web/Software Developer.

To Miss Leah, Miss Katey, and Marcus- There are not enough "thank yous" in the world to show how appreciative I am for you shaping me into the person I am today. I am so thankful for the extra time spent at the studio to clean dances, the life lessons you've taught me, and how you've made this team feel truly like a second family. I love you all so much! **To my Sagittarius girls** (*insert group chat name here* ;-)- I have loved every single second spent with this team. The laughs and tears are all worth it when I am with you guys. I look forward to coming to dance every single night to see all of your beautiful faces and hear all the stories of what happened at school that day so we can all laugh about it together. This team is something special and you are the best friends a girl could ask for. The camaraderie among this team is unlike any other **#DFDYNASTYSTRONG. To Campbell-** Thank you for being the best sister in the whole wide world. Getting to dance with you for the past 10 years has been the coolest experience and I have loved seeing you grow as a dancer and a person. I am going to miss every single car ride and dance sesh more than you know. I am the proudest big sister and cannot wait to continue being your biggest cheerleader;) **To Mom & Dad-** Thank you for putting me in dance when I was a little girl. I am forever grateful for the beliefs you instilled in me and the love you show everyone. I am the luckiest girl to call you guys my parents and could not have gotten to this point in my life without you;) I love you guys the most! **To Miss Renee:** Thank you for everything! We all truly could not do what we love without you. You have the most dedicated spirit and I am so thankful to be a part of something so wonderful you have created.

From Mom: Mom was a dancer and saw all of the benefits of dance for a young child: balance, agility, organized active fun, and a classroom setting outside of her pre-school. Dancing at RJ's has provided millions of favorite memories over the last 14 years at the studio but those that most stand out are all from the traveling competitions/nationals. Our whole family has developed long lasting friendships with families. We love to see all of the graduates that still stay in touch with Renee, the staff and the younger dancers. We will miss Renee, Katey, Leah, Marcus, Maggie, Nia, and those instructors who invested their time in previous years. These adults are not just experts at teaching the dancers technique and fitness with their skill. They are also teaching them to navigate challenges and encouraging a persistent work ethic. As a parent, there's a high level of comfort knowing we as parents are not alone in teaching our kids these skills. The goal in putting her in dance class at age 2-3 was to develop balance and agility but she has achieved and gained so much more at this point. More importantly, dance has fostered her confidence level in public speaking, her presence and posture in presenting herself in new situations, the ability to create and work with others with all different types of personalities and ultimately hold friendships with those dance friends.

From Her Teachers: Bella has been a dedicated student and competition team member for most of her life. It is so hard to imagine that this spunky little Pinkalicious girl is ready to graduate, but then again of course she is! Bella is one of the most dependable and reliable students we have had the pleasure to know. Her positivity and kindness are infectious and those qualities have helped nurture and inspire the younger members of our program for years. Anyone who knows Bella, or meets her for even a second can tell that she is a true role model. She is a ray of light that shines bright wherever she goes and we are going to miss having her around the studio! Baylor is getting a good one!

2022 Graduating Seniors



Maddie Bookout

Graduating From St. Joseph's Academy (Varsity Dance Team - 4 Years)

15 Years at RJ's

Heading To University of Arkansas

College Plans: I am currently undecided but possibly interested in marketing or business!

Maddie's Words: RJs has always been a huge part of my life and I've created some of my best friendships here. I've made so many fun memories that I will always cherish and look back on and miss. The studio has shaped my life so much and I'm so happy to have been able to call it home for the last 15 years. A special thank you to Miss Renee, Miss Arianna and Marcus for pushing me to be the best dancer I can be and inspiring me and supporting me during my time at RJs. I will never forget it.

From Mom: She talked about dancing at a very young age - as soon as she was potty trained we signed her up. I loved her first dance (I love all of them) but with the curls and seeing her take the stage with full confidence and waving to us with her big smile like she was ready to show all her dance moves. The friendships she's made with the dancers and teachers - and watching her do what she loves on stage. Maddie found a love of dance at RJs and continued this love on her high school dance team! She's had wonderful experiences and made great friendships dancing.

From Her Teachers: Maddie has always been the sweet, quiet girl around the studio and ever so polite. She started dancing when she was 3 and Miss Renee will always remember her twin brother coming to watch her - he was her biggest fan and it was so darn cute! Maddie has always been a hard worker and such a great listener in class, skills that are going to serve her well in whatever field she decides to go into. We are going to miss Maddie but know she is off to do BIG things and make her dreams come true! We are so proud of the wonderful woman we have watched you become!

2022 Graduating Seniors

Natalie Boyles



Graduating From Marquette High School (Mystique - 4 Years)

11 Years at RJ's

10 Years on RJ's Chesterfield Competition Team

Heading To University of Missouri - Columbia

College Plans: I am going to pursue a degree in Communications

Natalie's Words:

RJ's has made such an amazing impact on my life. I have learned so much from my instructors and teammates while creating lifelong friendships that I will cherish forever. My biggest takeaway now from my time at RJ's would be to never take a dance class, routine, or this studio for granted. After being here for so many years, I never expected how fast it would go and that I would be experiencing all of my "lasts" so quickly. Cherish every moment you have with your teammates. One of my favorite memories was our trip to Gatlinburg for Nationals, and specifically performing our Elvis production for the last time. We were all having so much fun, cheering when we came off the stage, and it was just a happy moment I will remember forever. Miss Renee, Miss Leah, and Miss Katey: I cannot thank you enough for your support, guidance, and everything else you have done for me. I look up to each of you for continuously inspiring me and pushing me to work hard and be the best I can be. To my Aries team, the bond we have is so special and it shows on and off the dance floor. We are a family and I am so grateful for the many years we have spent dancing together!

From Mom:

I had Natalie attend dance classes because I was a dancer and it brought me so much joy, and I wanted her to experience that same joy. And I would say that is exactly what dance brings to her as well. My favorite memory of Natalie at RJ's is her first year at age 8, and her big toothless smile on stage. That first year is the year she fell in love with being on the stage performing, and she's loved it for the last 11 years. There have been so many wonderful memories throughout our time at RJ's, watching her and her team on stage doing what they love, all the competitions, recitals, showcases, and spending all of those events with our dance family. RJ's has helped her be disciplined, organized, a fast learner, a hard worker, as well as a great dancer! It has taught her to be a good teammate and has blessed her with many friendships. Thank you RJ's for the joy you have brought to my dancer and my family's life, we will miss you!

From RJ's:

I think we can all remember when little toothless Natalie signed up at the studio- just a little firecracker with so much sass and attitude on that stage! That tiny dancer has always been driven and hard working and has evolved into such a beautiful young woman and a true role model. Natalie is one of a kind. She loves the process just as much as she loves the performance. Her smile, laughter and sense of humor have always made our classes fun and uplifting. Her attitude is infectious and she inspires and pushes everyone around her. She is always there for a laugh or an encouraging pep talk. We will miss Natalie and her zest for life. Go out there and make us proud, Natalie! M.I.Z!

2022 Graduating Seniors

Katie Dobson



Graduating From Lafayette High School

7 Years at RJ's

Heading To Missouri State University

College Plans: I am going to be studying Child Development in hopes to support the growth and success of kids in whatever career that translates into.

Katie's Words:

Dancing has always been my favorite way of letting go and having fun, both athletically and artistically. Through dancing at RJs, I have learned to always strive to "do better". My best memory from the studio is getting to do what I love with my friends every week. I would like to thank all of my teachers as well as my best friend Hannah who has been dancing with me since the 4th grade.

From Mom:

Katie spent most of her toddler years dressing in tights and a "leelatart" (as she called it)! She just seemed so comfortable on stage even in those very first toddler classes. Getting the costumes and doing hair and make-up was just as much excitement for mom as it was for her then before she started doing everything on her own. I think also the first appointment to get pointe shoes had to be a highlight of our dance career! From a parent's perspective, it was always fun to be invited into class to see the progress on "Watch Weeks." Besides learning the foundational skills and techniques of a variety of styles of dance, our daughter gained confidence, perseverance, poise and appreciation for hard work both individually and as a group. Dance classes (whether they were her favorites or least favorites) challenged her both mentally and physically at times. While she had other interests and activities (especially in high school), dance was a constant that she always made time for!

From Her Teachers:

Katie Dobson is the most dedicated student! She always gives 100% and is always determined to be her best! She has already overcome significant challenges in the years I have had the pleasure of teaching her. Her persistence and love for dance is inspiring. She is a joy to have in class because of her attentiveness, work ethic and easy going sense of humor. She will be greatly missed in pointe three!

2022 Graduating Seniors



Bella Fehl

Graduating From Villa Duchesne

14 Years at RJ's

2 years on Performance Team

6 Years on RJ's Chesterfield Competition Team

Heading To Texas Christian University

College Plans: I am excited to try out for TCU's dance team and I will be studying Marketing!

Bella's Words: Dance is the one thing in my life that has always been with me. RJ's has played such an influential role in my dance career and I wouldn't have it any other way! The lessons I've learned and people I've met is something not everyone is lucky enough to experience, and I'm so grateful for everything I've gotten out of my time here. Competing with my Aries girls and making memories and friendships that will last a lifetime. One of my favorite memories was when I accidentally kicked the light in Studio A while learning a lift for Dusty Trails... that was a close one! I'm so thankful for all the memories, that includes all the laughs, the tears, and of course all the random times we break into song during rehearsals. I've learned to never take a single moment for granted. It goes by in the blink of an eye and words cannot express how much I will miss it next year. I love you all SO MUCH!!!! I love this studio more than anything in the world and I'm in shock my time here is over. **To my team:** I can't thank each and every one of you enough for making my time here so cherishable and exciting. Leaving you guys makes me sadder than ever, but I can't wait to watch the beautiful things you all do in life. Thank you for inspiring me in ways I could never imagine and helping me grow as a dancer and a person, and remember to always learn from one another. I will miss everybody so much and I am eternally grateful for this experience. Goodbye for now! **To Miss Leah, Marcus, Miss Renee, Miss Katey and all of the teachers along the way:** I cannot thank you enough for the things you've taught me. Without your help, I would be nowhere near the person or dancer I am today. You've given me a second home and an even more specialer second family that I will never ever forget. I can't imagine what I will do next year without seeing you all every week! You've pushed me to be the best I can be, all while giving me endless support and love. Thank you for your energy and dedication to your craft and our studio that allows me and so many others to develop their love for dance. For these and many more reasons, you will forever be my biggest role models!

From Mom: I decided to enroll Bella in dance for the discipline, exercise, team bonding, and mental clarity. Some of my favorite memories are getting to see each of her new dances finished after they have worked so hard to learn them. I am going to miss the people & the true friendships & bonding we have all formed. I know these friendships will always remain but I'll definitely miss seeing them on a regular basis! Dancing at RJ's has really formed Bella into the gracious young lady she is today all the lessons have taught her so much that she can now apply to life & all other aspects that she will come across in her life. Dance is a very good & healthy mental outlet through tough times, teen pressures & to help her stay focused. It's created self discipline, helped her form true friendships, and fostered dedication, accountability, and a strong work ethic. She now knows the result of what hard work & dedication can achieve. I'm grateful for all her instructors & staff at RJ's for the patients & time & dedication they have given to her over the years!

From RJ's: Miss Bella is always the life of the party and is the motivational speaker of the RJC Comp team! While she is outgoing and personable, she is also an old soul who is wise beyond her years. It's been a pleasure and a joy to watch Bella develop her craft over the last few years. She started out dancing recreationally, then moved to the performance team, and ended up on our competitive team- She is a poster child for determination and goal setting! She is graceful, humble and has such a generous heart. She will use her talents in different ways as she moves on to the next chapter in Texas.

2022 Graduating Seniors



Roxanne Gerami

Graduating From Lafayette High School

11 Years at RJ's

1 Year on RJ's Hip Hop Crew

Heading To St Louis University

College Plans: I plan on studying Occupational Therapy. My career dream is to become a licensed occupational therapist and move to Chicago and work in a hospital/open my own office for OT. I am also planning on signing up for dance classes that SLU offers for students!

Roxanne's Words:

Renee's has taught me so much through the years. Not just in dance, but in cooperation, team work, and motivation. Dancing at Renee's for over 10 years has challenged me into becoming a better dancer and to find the right balance between a hard work ethic and having fun. One of my favorite memories from RJ's is going to the Monster's of Hip Hop Convention in Chicago with the Hip Hop Crew and taking classes from very talented dancers and choreographers.

From Mom:

I started Roxanne at dance because my younger daughter started dance at RJ's and I wanted Roxanne to do dance too. The recitals have always been memorable moments for us. One time Roxanne forgot her tights and I had to run home to get it before her dance started! Roxanne really loves dancing and that made me feel happy. I believe dance gave Roxanne more self esteem and great exercise. I only wish I had signed her up for dance at a younger age!

From Her Teachers:

Roxanne is such a sweetheart and I love that she has stayed focused on dance for herself. She never complains and always comes to class ready to work hard. She is unique and passionate and that shines through in her dancing. We are so proud of you Roxanne and know you will do big things!

2022 Graduating Seniors



Mirinda Gilmore

Graduating From Lafayette High School (Escadrille - 4 years)

4 Years at RJ's

2 Years on the High School Competition Team

2 Years on RJ's Ellisville Competition Team

Heading To Ole Miss

College Plans: I am so excited to be the newest member of the 2022-2023 Ole Miss Rebelettes! I will also be studying Pharmaceutical Sciences and plan to be a pharmacist!

Mirinda's Words:

RJ's has taught me how to be confident as a performer. I have learned that dance is more than just technique, it's about what makes you unique and special as a dancer. I would not be the dancer I am today if it wasn't for my time at RJ's! My biggest life lesson from being here is to never take your ability to dance for granted, and to always appreciate the little moments because it goes by so fast! My best memories are from conventions and getting to spend the whole weekend with my RJ's family! I want to thank all of my teachers, Miss Gretchen, Miss Jessie, Miss Arianna, and Miss Renee for everything they have taught me during my time here. I have not only learned how to be a better dancer, but a better person because of them. I am going to miss everyone so much!

From Mom:

We enrolled at RJ's after a friend recommended it. My favorite memories have been of her dancing at showcase and I will miss all the times I get to see her on stage and all of the amazing dance instructors. Renee's has made Mirinda a more confident dancer!

From RJ's:

Mirinda might be small but she packs a mighty punch! She is a solid technician- she has the BEST jumps and she's an excellent turner too! She is everything that makes a great dance team chick. While she is super quiet in class, she is always paying attention, observing every small detail and is really quick at picking up choreography. She gets along with everyone and is an awesome person to have as a teammate and friend. She is such a sweet soul and we will miss her gentle energy in class! Mirinda, while we have only known you 4 short years, it feels like forever. We cannot wait to see you cheering on the sidelines at Ole Miss next year with the Rebelettes Dance Team!

2022 Graduating Seniors

Katherine Godefroid



Graduating From Lafayette High School (LHS Cheer - 4 Years)

15 Years at RJ's

Heading To Meramec Community College

College Plans: I plan on attending Meramec in the fall and then transfer to The Laboratory Institute of Merchandising in New York to study Fashion Merchandising!

Katherine's Words: Dance has taught me that hard work is everything. No matter what you do in life you have to work hard. You need to be able to have self discipline and get up every day and do your absolute best. Hard work pays off! My best memory from the studio is meeting my best friend Maddie. Me and Maddie have danced together every year since we were three. Meeting her was my best memory because we have so many funny moments together that mean a lot. Me and Maddie have always been by each others sides and I am so grateful for her. Dancing at RJ's lead me to a life long best friend. My advice to younger dancers is to push yourself every single day. When you walk in that studio pretend the world does not exist and it is only that class that matters. Push yourself and focus in and you will be surprised on what your body is capable of. Dance is such an amazing thing and should never be taken for granted. You only have a fully capable body for so long. Thank you RJ's for being so amazing and teaching me to be a stronger and better person. Every time I was in the studio it was the time of day where all my worries were put on pause and I could truly focus on me and I would always walk out of class feeling a millions times better. I loved dancing and I always will. I am so lucky to have had the opportunity to dance for RJ's.

From Mom: We put Katie in dance class because her older sisters were dancing at the time and we wanted all the girls together. She loved dressing up in the costumes. When Kate was about 5 she was in recital and her ballet dance used umbrellas as a prop. The girl in front of her got her umbrella caught on Kate's. She had tried to untangle the umbrella but then got frustrated and gave the poor girl a look that could kill and yanked her umbrella throwing the poor girl out of line. She then proceeded to smile at the audience and continue the dance as if nothing ever happened. She had the entire audience laughing and we knew at that moment that Kate was meant to be on stage. I am going to miss everything from the teachers to the friends she made to the recitals. I have enjoyed every minute of watching her grow into a beautiful young lady and graceful dancer. It has taught her discipline and perseverance. Dancing takes a lot of time and hard work. It has taught Kate that if she works hard there is nothing that she can't achieve. We have been so blessed to be a part of the Renee Johnson family for the past 15 years. It has been Kate's second home and she has made lifelong friends. We will miss everyone at Renee's. Renee thank you for always looking out for our Kate and being her biggest cheerleader!

From RJ's: Katie is one of our RJ's lifers! We remember when she just just a little three year old following in her big sisters footsteps! It has been a pleasure to watch her grow up over the years into a beautiful and passionate young woman. She has tons of drive and just loves Dance! As kids get to the middle and high school age, we know it is so hard to make time to continue with dance classes, but Katie has made the time and has stuck with it. Even as she became a cheerleader and super involved in lots of High School activities, she has balanced dance classes too. Katie is just well-rounded and has such an independent spirit which will help her tackle life after high school! We are proud of you Katie and cannot wait to see all the things you do in the world!

2022 Graduating Seniors



Sadi Knox

Graduating From Lafayette High School (Escadrille - 4 Years)

14 Years at RJ's

**5 Years RJ's Ellisville Competition Team
4 years High School Competition Team**

Heading To University of Missouri - Columbia

College Plans: I am excited to share that I will be on the 22-23 Golden Girls Dance Team! I will be majoring in Marketing and minoring in Strategic Communications.

Sadi's Words: RJs has taught me some of the biggest life lessons. It's taught me discipline, responsibility, time management, and perseverance. Because of RJ's I've learned how to believe in myself and my goals and how to stay determined to reach them no matter how big they may be. Also, I've learned that nothing in life comes easy and that everything worth having takes hard work, time, and determination. RJs has shaped my life tremendously and has taught me things that I'll carry with me throughout my future in everything I do. My favorite memory from the studio would have to be the team Christmas parties we had every year. They were always so fun when we'd team up and do different activities, and of course the gift exchange with our sisters. My favorite activity we'd do every year was the gingerbread house contest. It was always so fun to get creative and it always ended in a giant mess! **Miss Gretchen-** Thank you for always believing in me and being there for me. You've not only taught me about dance, you've taught me about life and things about myself that I never would've known if it weren't for you. You've had a tremendous impact on my life and truly are like a second mom to me. I'll miss you so much! **Miss Renee-** Thank you for the years of providing me with a second home. I've grown up coming to the studio and it always feels so safe. Thank you for the countless smiles, hugs, and costumes. I remember you were my first teacher at RJs and I thought it was so cool that my middle name was Renae just like your name! I can't thank you enough for all the hard work and everything you've done for me. I'll miss you and the studio so much next year! RJ's has given me so many opportunities, life lessons, and memories that I'll carry with me throughout my future. I've made friendships and bonds that will last a lifetime and I can't wait to come back and visit in years to come!

From Mom: We put Sadi in dance because I was a dancer. My favorite memory is my shy, quiet Sadi dancing by herself on stage doing her first solo. I am really going to miss watching her dance out there on stage. I am thankful for RJ's for giving her confidence and self esteem.

From RJ's: Sadi is the first of three Knox sisters to graduate our program. She has really long legs and gorgeous feet! She is a true competitor and great teammate. Sadi is a sweetheart and a true team player. She stepped in for us last year when we got hit with a few injuries, was a quick learner and never complained! She gets along with everyone in her class and has a great attitude. We cannot wait to see her cheering on the sidelines for the Missouri Tigers! MIZ!!!

2022 Graduating Seniors

Adriana Koertner



Graduating From Homeschool Program

3 Years at RJ's

Heading To Texas Tech University

College Plans: I plan on pursuing a STEM degree followed by a career in medicine. I also plan on finding opportunities to continue dancing!

Adriana's Words:

Dance has shaped my life by giving me an outlet to express myself and showing me the beauty of movement. I wouldn't be the person I am today without dance. I have so many memories from the studio but my favorite is always the class before recital. It's bittersweet anticipation because our time together is coming to an end, for now, but we also know that we've worked hard to create something beautiful. I just want to thank all of my teachers and classmates for their hard work, patience, mastication, and grace as we finish our masterpiece!

From Mom:

We enrolled Adriana in dance because wanted her to experience the joy of dance and the benefits that come from the discipline and training required to dance. Our favorite memories are watching her shine on stage as she shares all of her hard work and talent. We are going to miss the smile and energy she returns home with after dance class. We are grateful that dance has given Adriana so much enjoyment and a sense of accomplishment over the years.

From RJ's:

Adriana is a lovely human and a pleasure to have in class! She is not one to rock the boat or draw attention to herself, however, as a teacher, you can't help but notice the beauty and serenity she exudes while taking class. She is diligent in her learning and extremely focused. She has a kindness and grace in her demeanor that comes across in her dancing. She is teachable, positive, and a very hard worker. She will be greatly missed in pointe three next year.

2022 Graduating Seniors

Megan Liu



Graduating From Lafayette High School

15 Years at RJ's

13 years on RJ's Ellisville Competition Team

Heading To Stanford University

College Plans: I'm going to study international relations, economics, or finance. My career dreams is to be an international ambassador or someone sort of businesswoman and of course stay involved in the dance world. I plan to minor in dance at Stanford and join the dance clubs/companies present on campus

Megan's Words: Being part of RJ's has been one of the greatest investments & commitments ever made. The most important takeaway is patience is so important and progress does not happen overnight. I learned that everyone's path is different and progresses differently but as long as you stay focused, diligent, and passionate progress and success will follow. RJ's and dance has allowed me to find my self-confidence, discipline, and teamwork skills. One of my favorite is performing our production "This is it" at nationals for the last time. I remember feeling the incredible energy from all my teammates and the audience who had flashing gloves. I grew up reading these messages that former seniors have left. I always felt an immense appreciation each senior had for this studio, but now I feel the same and more! **I'd like to thank my very best dance friends and my Diamond teammates.** Naturally, I'm a very introverted and timid person but dancing and spending time with my teammates has made me feel very safe and allowed me to find my confidence and my goofier side. My love for my teammates/my best friends is unmeasurable and I could not be the person that I am today without these people. Second, I'd like to thank the past seniors and my former "big sisters" who graduated before me. They all had been such supportive and inspiring role models. Having such amazing people to look up to and to lean on for support has been the greatest gift of all. **I also have to thank my incredible teachers and mentors Miss Jasmine, Tommy, Miss Ari, Miss Jessie, Gary, Miss Maggi, Miss Gretchen, and Miss Renee** for always fully supporting me, believing in me, and challenging me to strive to be the best artist and person that I can be. Thank you for fully understanding me as a dancer and a person. I'd like to especially thank Miss Gretchen for being with me every step of the journey since I was like six. You have completely impacted my life and shaped the person that I am today. I'm so grateful for your endless support and love. I have the most love and respect for you and everything that you have done for me. I love you so much and I will miss everyone so dearly. Ahhhh its crazy that it's close to being over!

From Mom: Megan was shy and sensitive when she was young and dance helped Megan increase her self-esteem and boost her confidence by allowing her to express her uniqueness and embrace others as well. A memorable moment was when Megan was new and she forgot her pink tights for class. Ever the perfectionist, she was going to have me drive 30 minutes back and forth to get them. I tried to convince her to dance without, but she wouldn't budge. Miss Renee saw the conversation happening and pulled Megan into a hug before giving her a spare pair of tights and told her to "put them on and go have fun in class." I finally breathed a sigh of relief and Megan broke into a huge smile. From then on, I knew the studio, teachers, and staff would always be there for us. We will miss the feeling of knowing that Megan is doing what she loves the most with her friends, in a safe, healthy, and nurturing environment, being challenged and inspired by her passionate, committed, and caring teachers. Dance has been a constant in Megan's life for the past 15 years. It has taught her discipline and perseverance that not everything comes easily and she must work extremely hard to obtain what she wants. She has learned how to push through the disappointment and work for the future. RJ's has given Megan a home away from home and offered experiences that foster confidence, grace, resilience, and compassion to help her navigate a challenging world.

From RJ's: It does not feel real that Megan Liu is graduating. She feels like a permanent fixture at our studio and has been here forever! Since the time she started, we have just grown used to seeing her beaming smile every time we walk in the door. We will never forget that little tiny girl with that HUGE smile on stage - she still lights up the stage. She is the definition of poise and grace and just a beautiful technical dancer. Megan is the MOST respectful student ever to ever exist and is every teacher's dream pupil. She has the most patience, attendance and the BEST attendance. Megan is quietly funny and a joy to interact with. If you ask anyone on team or in any class with Megan they will all agree that she is just the kindest and one of the people who make this studio such a wonderful place to be. We have no doubt she has BIG things on the horizon!

2022 Graduating Seniors



Lilly McRae

Graduating From Lafayette High School (Escadrille - 4 Years)

9 Years at RJ's

RJ's Competition Teams for 8 years

Heading To University of Arkansas

College Plans: I will continue to dance on the University of Arkansas Pom Squad and studying business!

Lilly's Words:

RJ's has taught me so many life lessons, from time management to loving what you do. My time at RJ's has been so special! My favorite memory from the studio has been the high school team, I have been fortunate enough to meet so many girls who all have the same interests as me! It's been such a fun team and a great way to meet new friends. I want to thank my teachers at RJ's for always believing in me and pushing me to be my best. You guys are amazing!

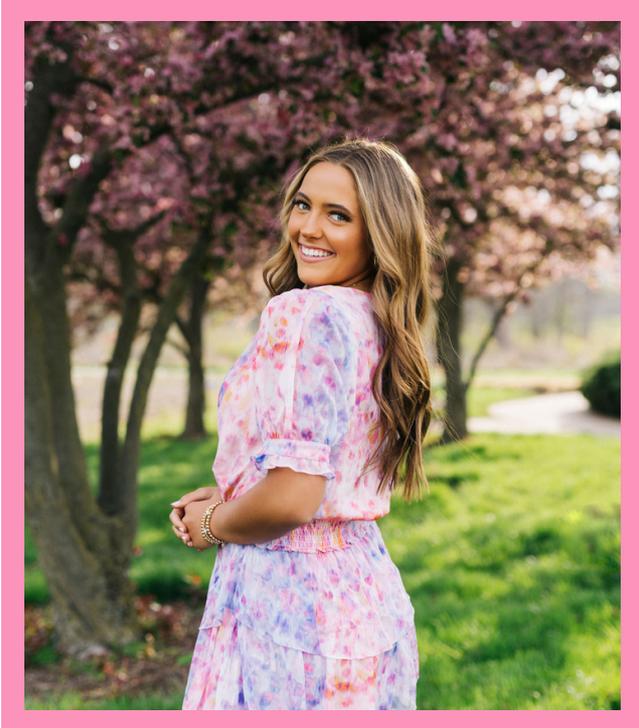
From Mom:

Lilly always loved watching her big sister dance and was very interested in joining in the fun! She has been with the RJ's family since she was in second grade. She has grown so much and gained so much confidence through the years...but my favorite memory is Lilly dancing to Boogie Shoes because it was the cutest costume ever! I'll miss watching recitals the most and seeing my girl shine! RJ's really increased her ability to compete at a state and national level and has created a strong sense of determination and self-confidence within Lilly. I can't believe senior year is here...my last RJ's dancer is about to be a graduate!

From Her Teachers:

How is Lilly graduating? She is the BIGGEST dancer in the tiniest body! She has FANTASTIC performance energy and such a pretty face, always polished to perfection on stage! Like her big sister before her, she is super respectful and a great teammate. She's a great turner and loves ALLLLL things dance team! She has followed her passion and never stopped. We are so proud of her and cannot wait to watch her on the Razorbacks sidelines next year! WOOOOOOO PIG SOOIE! GO HOGS!

2022 Graduating Seniors



Ainsley Moses

Graduating From: Lafayette High School (Escadrille - 3 Years)

15 Years at RJ's

12 Years RJ's Ellisville Competition Team

Heading To University of Georgia

College Plans: I hope to find opportunities to continue dancing at UGA whether that is through the dance department or a future sorority. I'm going to study business and would love to pursue a job in the fashion industry working for a large retailer.

Ainsley's Words: For the past 12 years, RJs has been my life! These people have seen me in every stage of my life and development. When I think back to all the Saturday rehearsals, countless dance competitions, and long choreography weekends, I'm reminded that these are my BEST memories of my childhood. RJ's fostered an environment that allowed me to do what I love alongside people I adore, which is why dance is so special to me. Over the past few years, I've watched many of my lifelong dance friends graduate. I had the time of my life with you all, I love (and miss) you like crazy. I have learned so much about commitment, discipline, and teamwork, and these are lessons I will carry with me forever. RJs has greatly impacted my life and I know the studio will forever be my home. Looking back, my greatest memories are of the studio and competition weekends. I would like to thank **Miss Renee** for giving me one of the richest blessings of my life. The studio will forever feel like home to me. **To Miss Maggi and Miss Jessie**, thank you for helping me improve my technique. **Miss Ari**, thank you for always pushing me to be my best. **To my Diamonds**, you are the hardest working people I've ever met. I love you all! **Finally, thank you Miss Gretchen** for showing me the love of dance. I have loved you since day 2 (day one didn't go so well haha)! I have experienced every emotion with you and I'm beyond grateful for all the memories we share. I would do anything to give you one last hug before I step onstage. I can't thank you enough for everything you have done for me over the past 12 years, I love you endlessly! I can't imagine my life without Renee's and I'm going to miss this place so much. Words truly cannot describe how grateful I am to have grown up at Renee's. I'm just incredibly thankful!

From Mom: Ainsley was constantly dancing around the house and performing her own routines and shows for us. At 4 years old, she asked for a stage for her birthday. She was the choreographer, the dancer, the director and the stage manager. I remember when Ainsley was 5 and a teacher at RJ's told me they thought she could be a good dancer. I went home and cried. I didn't know how to be a dance mom! I had never danced a day in my life, but I have learned so much! Every time she stepped on the stage is my favorite memory. Watching her smile as she performs knowing she is doing what she loves the most is all I could ask for. I will miss the all the moments at competitions, both the happy and the sad moments, the laughter and even the tears. This has been our life for 13 years and I wouldn't trade it for anything. RJ's has been a safe and nurturing place for Ainsley to grow as a dancer and person. She has had amazing mentors and has learned more than dance. She has learned discipline and focus, great time management skills, she has an amazing work ethic and she found her best friends. So much time has been spent at the studio and Ainsley loved every minute she was there. Most importantly, Ainsley found JOY...Dance gives her JOY! I'm really grateful for RJ's for giving Ainsley the opportunity of a lifetime. It has been an amazing journey and we will forever be grateful.

From RJ's: Ainsley's stage presence is effortless and enviable and it is impossible to take your eyes off her when she is on stage. She has a performance quality and smile that just pulls you in. She makes everything look easy. While she is a serious dancer, she is also quick to poke fun at herself and is quick with her wit. One of her non-dance talents is making killer blooper reels from performance and competition footage (and she is usually the star). She was upset and cried her first year on competition when we tried to move her up a level. She's been in the Diamond class for what feels like 10 years and has probably danced with the widest range of students. She is a great mover and excellent technician. She picks up style and choreography so quickly and has worked with almost every single guest artist we've ever brought in. The little kids love her and she is an awesome role model to them. She is the biggest cheerleader of everyone and has the most RJ's team spirit. We are going to miss this blast of energy next year. There is no one quite like our Ainsley.

2022 Graduating Seniors

Megan Tierney

Graduating From Lafayette High School (Escadrille - 3 Years)

10 Years at RJ's

2 Years on Performance Team
8 Years on Competition Teams

Heading To University of Arizona

College Plans: I plan on studying Business with a focus in Marketing and I want to minor in Health Sciences. I hope to become a Medical Sales Representative, but am open to a lot of options at this point! I also hope to continue dancing with a sorority!



Megan's Words:

I would say my biggest takeaway from the studio is that it is always somewhere I can go to truly be myself and use as an outlet to any outside stress I may be dealing with. I have also made some of my lifelong friends through dancing and having something that we each can bond over is nice to experience. My best memories from the studio was the 15 minute dinner breaks we would get in between classes at Dance Floor where we would all just laugh and talk about the various things that were happening in our lives. I also really enjoyed the competition showcases because it always felt so special to be there with just the team and showing our families our dances. Waiting backstage for the curtain to open and production to start was always such a great feeling! **Miss Gretchen** plays a huge role in who I am as a dancer and person today. She taught me for the four most important years of my dancing career, and I'm so blessed to have had her as an instructor. She always looks at things with optimism and brings so much energy when she's teaching despite anything that could be happening outside of dance. Everything she does is out of the love she has for her students. I don't think I've ever seen her without a smile on her face, unless she's giving us one of those talks, and then she is probably crying! **Thank you to Marcus** as well. While I only danced with him for 2 years he was always so kind and uplifting in the times that we needed it most. I also think he is an amazing artist and I've always looked up to him. I wanted to **thank Mrs. Renee** for providing such an amazing studio! I appreciate all that you do for the dancers when it comes to costumes, organizing, etc. It has been such a wonderful experience all of these years because of you! Thank you to all my instructors for shaping me to be who I am, being the best role models, and giving me a place to let go!

From Mom:

We decided to put Megan in dance classes when she was just three years old. We believed it would help provide strong self awareness, coordination, and confidence as well as giving her a way to socialize, and be active. Our fondest memories of Megan's time at Dance floor and RJ's are the competition weekends. These weekends are full of great memories for Megan and our family. We will miss watching our daughter do what she loves to do most. It will be very hard to watch her dance for the "Last" time. Dance has taught Megan about dedication, perseverance, and going after what she wants. She has made a lot of really good friends that will be friends for a lifetime.

From Her Teachers:

Megan brings a super laid back vibe to the studio. She is always so calm and never gets worked up. FUN FACT: She LOVES to do sit ups during warm ups! She has a dry sense of humor and she's quick to laugh at herself. She has been part of our RJ's dance family for so long and on both competitive teams, so it has been fun to watch her grow into herself and evolve as a beautiful dancer over the years! She has a gorgeous smile that will fit in perfectly in Arizona - BEAR DOWN, ARIZONA!

2022 Graduating Seniors

Hannah Werk

Graduating From Lafayette High School

7 Years at RJ's

Heading To Southeast Missouri State (SEMO)

College Plans: I plan on studying Biomedical Sciences on the Pre-Optometry tract



Hannah's Words:

Dancing has helped me with balance, coordination, and building strength for my other sports. It also was a way for me to escape stress and a fun way to hang out with my friends. My best memory is doing the end of year recitals. I loved hanging out with my friends and watching the other dances. Thank you to my parents for supporting me and sitting through many many hours of recitals. Also, a special thanks to my friend Kate who stayed in ballet with me 'til the very end. I love you guys!

Mom's Words:

I danced growing up and loved it. Also, good for balance, flexibility, and overall agility. Hearing stories of Hannah trying to do improv (most definitely NOT her strength). Her friends described Hannah's "best" move— basically sitting on the floor and spinning in a circle! I love dance and will definitely miss the recitals. It has given her poise, grace, and confidence. It's also been a great way to strengthen her core muscles for other sports.

Hannah's Teachers:

Hannah has been a part of the studio for so many years and she is one of the most pleasant and non-dramatic high school students we have ever met. Lydia is vibrant, hard working person who captivates audiences while on stage. She breaths light and happiness into every class she joins! Hannah is the sweetest teammate and the kindest friend. She as such a gem to have in class and has an awesome work ethic. She comes to class ready to focus, but always has her sweet smile ready to flash at her teachers and classmates. Her easygoing attitude will be missed!

Show #5

Sunday, June 5th ... 3:00pm

Britney: FREED! Johnette Rutledge

Charlotte Adam, Kate Adam, Dossan Bell, Kate Bohlmann, Sophia Bond, Drew Bottorff, Leah Brodsky, Sophia Burns, Sam Burtch, Amelia Copple, Giada Corio, Aubrey Cross, Elizabeth Danner, Samantha Danner, Brooke Fleming, Caroline Fleming, Georgia Fleming, Jillian Fletcher, Addison Forbes, Gillian Elisabeth Foster, Summer Fugate, Haven Gallmeyer, Mirinda Gilmore, Kaitlyn Gomez, Paige Goslee, Emerson Greenblatt, Danielle Hanouw, Megan Hanson, Lily Hefley, Lucille Heger, Grace Hemminghaus, Isabelle Hemminghaus, Madeline Hinton, Jacie Kennington, Jessie Kennington, Claire Kesting, Sydni Knox, Aubrey Lacavich, Paisley Lamason, Charlize Leach, Abby Leicht, Katelyn Letourneau, Megan Liu, Molly Lueders, Avery Mangnall, Marilyn McLean, Elayna Melching, Milena Mendonca, Mackenzie Michel, Mia Michel, Jaden Mitchell, Faith Moeller, Ainsley Moses, Lily Nardoni, Mia Nardoni, Lillian Paule, Tess Rickles, Reagan Roeder, Elise Schmitt, Alina Shapshovich, Amelia Short, Ellie Short, Aly St. John, Lexi St. John, Ella Walter, Lily Wang, Emily Warner, Huntley Wheeler, Izzy Winfield, Paige Winka, Eleanor Yates

Rubber Duckie Dana Golio

Mckynlee Corkery, Farrah Garrison, Elise Sintek, Lillyan Wu

Swan Lake Intrada Maggie Batterman

Lyla Kimmel, Kenzie Klohmann, Ellen Lovellette, Callie Lyng, Vivian Paulsmeyer, Ashley Souder, Savannah Vickers

I Like it Like That Diane Glazer

Mia Bergoudian, Krithi Bhattiprolu, Madi Blevins, Sophia Machamer, Violet Rosemann, Madeline Smart, Hazel Speciale, Olivia Talamantes, Sarah Yu

Three Little Birds Debra Lacavich

Jolie Ball, Quinn Begley, Elsie Blair, Chloe Bolhafner, Clara Gianino, Fiona Horan, Ellery Keenan, Charlotte Kelly, Nora Kennedy, Natalie Kushins, Lila Nacke, Nora Sorensen, Mandy Zou

She's Always a Woman Courtney Barclay

Kate Adam, Dossan Bell, Kate Bohlmann, Jillian Fletcher, Summer Fugate, Haven Gallmeyer, Mirinda Gilmore, Emerson Greenblatt, Jessie Kennington, Sydni Knox, Aubrey Lacavich, Katelyn Letourneau, Megan Liu, Faith Moeller, Ainsley Moses, Reagan Roeder, Izzy Winfield

Sweet Caroline Renee Johnson

Lucia Clark, Brynn Douglas, Molly Hefley, Sage Knox, Banyan Kramel, Mackenzie Ledbetter, Libby Lueders, Clara Mae Lutkewitte, Macy McGuire, Harper Reusch, Iris Rosemann, Evelyn Sullivan, Elaina Summers, Adeline Taylor, Carlee Whitford

Puttin on the Ritz Arianna Russ

Sophia Bond, Sam Burtch, Amelia Copple, Aubrey Cross, Elizabeth Danner, Lily Hefley, Lucille Heger, Grace Hemminghaus, Isabelle Hemminghaus, Madeline Hinton, Paisley Lamason, Marilyn McLean, Amelia Short, Eleanor Yates

Baby Love Dana Golio

Mckynlee Corkery, Farrah Garrison, Elise Sintek, Lillyan Wu

Take the A Train Maggie Dultz

Kate Adam, Dossan Bell, Summer Fugate, Haven Gallmeyer, Gracie Hagen, Aubrey Lacavich, Megan Liu, Jaden Mitchell, Lauren Secoy, Emily Warner

I Want You Back Nia Spencer

Avery Easterby, Ellery Keenan, Deacon Kuhn, Mackenzie Ledbetter, Clara Mae Lutkewitte, Macy McGuire, Sofia Richards, Liv Sammon

DANCIN' DADS RJs Faculty

Trevor Bell, David Brodsky, Bernie Burtch, Steve Danner, Jarrod Forbes, Mark Foster, Todd Fugate, Keith Hanouw, Dan Hefley, John Heger, John Hemminghaus, Paul Hinton, Bryan Kesting, Garrett Knox, Chadd Lamason, DJ Leach, John Leicht, Chris McLean, Jeff Melching, Tim Nardoni, Steve Paule, Chip Rayfield, Chip Roeder, Brian Savoie, Chris Short

Let's Hear it for the Boy Gretchen Stanton

Sophia Bond, Sam Burtch, Amelia Copple, Aubrey Cross, Elizabeth Danner, Lily Hefley, Lucille Heger, Grace Hemminghaus, Isabelle Hemminghaus, Madeline Hinton, Paisley Lamason, Marilyn McLean, Amelia Short, Eleanor Yates

A, You're Adorable Debra Lacavich

Kennedy Amdur, Harper Atchison, Ella Douglas, Molly McIntyre, Callister Muncy, Claire Volansky, Ailanna Wasman, Summer Zou

Bolero Jessie Philbrick

Kate Adam, Dossan Bell, Kate Bohlmann, Jillian Fletcher, Summer Fugate, Haven Gallmeyer, Mirinda Gilmore, Emerson Greenblatt, Jessie Kennington, Sydni Knox, Aubrey Lacavich, Katelyn Letourneau, Megan Liu, Faith Moeller, Ainsley Moses, Reagan Roeder, Izzy Winfield

INTERMISSION

The Swans Jessie Philbrick

Kate Adam, Dossan Bell, Katie Dobson, Summer Fugate, Haven Gallmeyer, Adriana Koertner, Aubrey Lacavich, Megan Liu, Lauren Secoy, Emily Warner

Harlequins' March Jessie Philbrick

Sophia Bond, Sam Burtch, Amelia Copple, Aubrey Cross, Elizabeth Danner, Lily Hefley, Lucille Heger, Grace Hemminghaus, Isabelle Hemminghaus, Madeline Hinton, Paisley Lamason, Marilyn McLean, Amelia Short, Eleanor Yates

Check It Out Diane Glazer

EmmyLou Begemann, Sanah Bolisetty, Brynn Douglas, Molly Hefley, Lena Jacob, Sage Knox, Libby Lueders, Lyla Lumpkin, Stella Power, Brynn Rogan, Quinn Savoie, Nora Sorensen, Adeline Taylor, Abigail Volansky, Caroline Walk

What Makes You Beautiful Diane Glazer

Madlen Alexandrova, Sameera Erukulapati , Riley Jacobsmeyer, Emmie Overmann, Iris Rosemann,
Philip Speciale, Sydney Willmann

It's Tricky Hailey Hoffman

Kate Adam, Dossan Bell, Kate Bohlmann, Jillian Fletcher, Summer Fugate, Haven Gallmeyer,
Mirenda Gilmore, Emerson Greenblatt, Jessie Kennington, Sydni Knox, Aubrey Lacavich,
Katelyn Letourneau, Megan Liu, Faith Moeller, Ainsley Moses, Reagan Roeder, Izzy Winfield

Polly Wolly Doodle Debra Lacavich

Kennedy Amdur, Harper Atchison, Ella Douglas, Molly McIntyre, Callister Muncy, Claire Volansky ,
Ailanna Wasman, Summer Zou

Walk It Out Jasmine Spencer

Sophia Bond, Sam Burtch, Amelia Copple, Aubrey Cross, Elizabeth Danner, Lily Hefley, Lucille Heger ,
Grace Hemminghaus, Isabelle Hemminghaus, Madeline Hinton , Paisley Lamason, Marilyn McLean,
Amelia Short, Eleanor Yates

Boogie Shoes Debra Lacavich

Jolie Ball, Quinn Begley, Elsie Blair, Chloe Bolhafner , Clara Gianino, Fiona Horan, Ellery Keenan,
Charlotte Kelly, Nora Kennedy, Natalie Kushins, Lila Nacke, Nora Sorensen, Mandy Zou

Love Me Again Gretchen Stanton

Graduating Seniors: Mirenda Gilmore, Megan Liu, Ainsley Moses

Thank God I'm a Country Boy Renee Johnson

Lucia Clark, Brynn Douglas, Molly Hefley, Sage Knox, Banyan Kramel, Mackenzie Ledbetter,
Libby Lueders, Clara Mae Lutkewitte, Macy McGuire, Harper Reusch, Iris Rosemann, Evelyn Sullivan,
Elaina Summers, Adeline Taylor, Carlee Whitford

Chun Li Jasmine Spencer

Kate Adam, Dossan Bell, Kate Bohlmann, Jillian Fletcher, Summer Fugate, Haven Gallmeyer,
Mirenda Gilmore, Emerson Greenblatt, Jessie Kennington, Sydni Knox, Aubrey Lacavich, Katelyn
Letourneau, Megan Liu, Alessandra Mendonca, Faith Moeller, Lia Peters, Reagan Roeder, Izzy Winfield

All Cast Final Bow

Please remain in your seats and GET LOUD!



DANCE STUDIOS

2022 Team Programs

RJ's Chesterfield Competition Team

Ainsley Akins, Cardwell Akins, Courtney Almeida, Campbell Bahr, Isabella Bahr, Emerson Bills, Aubrey Bogart, Natalie Boyles, Emilia Burke, Ellison Choate, Pennie Sue Corrigan, Madison Cowan, Lexie Decker, Nina DeGeare, Leah Etherton, Beckett Fanger, Shea Fanger, Bella Fehl, Catherine Georgacopoulos, Lyla Goldstein, Jules Harris, Emily Hooper, Ashleigh Kayser, Lyla Kimmel, Kenzie Klohmann, Kayla Kozielek, Eleanor Laue, Clara Lieber, Eloise Lieber, Ellen Lovellette, Callie Lyng, Ava Mall, Lauren Mitchell, Sarah Musgraves, Molly Pereles, Alexis Potthoff, Adyson Ravens, Ali Renfert, Emmalina Scharf, Brinley Smith, Ashley Souder, Nora Sprowls, Josephine Stiles, Camila Suarez, Marah Swillinger, Devin Thomas, Savannah Vickers, Kate Wallis, Sloane Wilburn, Olivia Grace Wolf

RJ's Chesterfield High School Team

Annie Alcorn, Campbell Bahr, Isabella Bahr, Natalie Boyles, Bella Fehl, Maegan Fleming, Jules Harris, Ashleigh Kayser, Julie Kozielek, McKinley Krekeler, Clara Lieber, Kaitlyn Mann, Lauren Mitchell, Sarah Musgraves, Alyssa Rashed, Kahley Sheen

RJ's Ellisville Competition Team

Charlotte Adam, Kate Adam, Dossan Bell, Kate Bohlmann, Sophia Bond, Drew Bottorff, Leah Brodsky, Sophia Burns, Sam Burtch, Amelia Copple, Giada Corio, Aubrey Cross, Elizabeth Danner, Samantha Danner, Brooke Fleming, Caroline Fleming, Georgia Fleming, Jillian Fletcher, Addison Forbes, Gillian Elisabeth Foster, Summer Fugate, Haven Gallmeyer, Mirinda Gilmore, Kaitlyn Gomez, Paige Goslee, Emerson Greenblatt, Danielle Hanouw, Megan Hanson, Lily Hefley, Lucille Heger, Grace Hemminghaus, Isabelle Hemminghaus, Madeline Hinton, Laney Johnson, Jacie Kennington, Jessie Kennington, Claire Kesting, Sydney Knox, Aubrey Lacavich, Paisley Lamason, Charlize Leach, Abby Leicht, Katelyn Letourneau, Megan Liu, Molly Lueders, Avery Mangnall, Marilyn McLean, Elayna Melching, Milena Mendonca, Mackenzie Michel, Mia Michel, Jaden Mitchell, Faith Moeller, Ainsley Moses, Lily Nardoni, Mia Nardoni, Lillian Paule, Tess Rickles, Reagan Roeder, Elise Schmitt, Alina Shapshovich, Amelia Short, Ellie Short, Aly St. John, Lexi St. John, Ella Walter, Lily Wang, Emily Warner, Huntley Wheeler, Izzy Winfield, Paige Winka, Eleanor Yates

RJ's Ellisville High School Team

Evelyn Auberry, Amanda Gubernik, Kate Hall, Sadi Knox, Lilly McRae, Alessandra Mendonca, Lia Peters, Taylor Scaring, Megan Tierney, Reagan Weber

RJ's Performance Team

Avery Agnew, Isabella Brummond, Madison Callis, Kinley Chambers, Jillian Clark, Teagan Fitzgerald, Sara Furlan, Emma Hagen, Madelyn Hill, Elise January, Claire Jeter, Adelaide Keipp, Avery Kellhofer, Mackenzie Kreikemeier, Avery Lauber, Olivia Lauter, Olivia Murray, Alexa Murov, Eden Page, Corinne Poggio, Peyton Prior, Josilyn Rayfield, Brooke Scheidler, Avery Solovic, Ardynn Trower, Reese Wilburn

RJ's Hip Hop Crew

Mia Bergoudian, Madi Blevins, Julia Coen, Alessandra DeMaiolo, Rylie Fine, Teagan Fitzgerald, Grace Hagar, Allison Herman, Paige Himstedt, Addison Hurlbut, Harper Iovino, Elise January, Claire Jeter, Alice Kramer, Mackenzie Kreikemeier, Malia Martin, Maggie McLennan, Lydia Moellering, Olivia Murray, Lia Peters, Katie Piercy, Ava Robert, Avri Roth, Raegan Rozycki, Brooke Scheidler, Alexis Siebert, Mia Smith, Kate Stroot, Adalyn Theodore, Azura Tiggs, Sophia Tyrrell, Sydney Willmann,

Petpalooza

DANCE PAWTY

JUNE 21ST - 23RD
RJ'S CHESTERFIELD



PRE-K, KINDER, & 1ST GRADE
(AGES 4 - 7)
9:00AM-NOON
\$125 REGISTRATION

TAP & BALLET
MUSICAL THEATER
CRAFTS
SNACKS

AGES 2.5 - 4
9:30AM-NOON
\$100 REGISTRATION

BALLET
MUSICAL THEATER
CREATIVE MOVEMENT
SNACKS

Register dancers for the grade they will be entering fall 2022. All dancers must be potty trained and pull up free. Space is limited. Registration is non-refundable & non-transferable.



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Royal Ball

July 12th - 14th
RJ's Ellisville

All Princesses & Knights Welcome!



Pre-K & Kinder, & 1st Grade
(Ages 4 - 7)
9:00am - Noon
\$125 Registration

Ages 2.5 - 4
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\$100 Registration

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CHILLIN'

LIKE A

VILLAIN

DANCE CAMP

June 21st-23rd
RJ's Chesterfield
12:45-3:45
1st - 3rd Graders
\$125 Registration

Dancers will enjoy Jazz, Hip Hop & Musical Theater to favorite villains we love to hate!



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GLAM UP GLOW UP

DANCE CAMP

July 12th - 14th
RJ's Ellisville

12:45 - 3:45pm
1st to 4th Grade
\$125 Registration

Join us for this three day dance party full of glam and all things that glow! Dancers will learn Jazz & Hip Hop combos and experiment with nail art and glow crafts!



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Open Ballet Technique

Open Jazz Technique



RJ's Chesterfield MONDAYS June 13th July 11th, 18th & 25th August 1st	RJ's Ellisville THURSDAYS: June 16th July 14th, 21st & 28th August 4th
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1ST & 2ND GRADE
5:30-6:15PM

3RD GRADE & UP
6:30-8:00PM

TIMES:

1st & 2nd Grade ... 4:30-5:15pm

3rd-5th Grade ... 4:30-5:30pm

Middle School ... 5:35-6:50pm

High School ... 7:00-8:30pm

\$15 PER SESSION

RJ's Chesterfield
WEDNESDAYS
 June 15th
 July 20th & 27th
 August 3rd & 8th

RJ's Ellisville
TUESDAYS
 June 14th, 21st
 July 12th, 19th & 26th
 August 2nd & 9th

\$15 PER SESSION

MUST PRE-REGISTER ONLINE!

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 Classes may be cancelled due to low enrollment!

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CLASSES MAY BE CANCELLED DUE TO LOW ENROLLMENT!



DANCE STUDIOS



2022 SUMMER INTENSIVE



BALLET INTENSIVE



CHOOSE YOUR SESSION

SESSION 1 THURSDAY, AUGUST 11TH FRIDAY, AUGUST 12TH <i>SPECIFIC TIMES TBD</i>	SESSION 2 SATURDAY, AUGUST 13TH SUNDAY, AUGUST 14TH <i>SPECIFIC TIMES TBD</i>
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AUGUST 27TH & 28TH

SATURDAY: 9:30AM - 2:00PM
 SUNDAY: 11:00 - 3:00PM
 LOCATION: RJ'S ELLISVILLE
 AGES 9 & UP

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REGISTRATION FEES:

1ST & 2ND GRADE ... \$195
 3RD GRADE & UP ... \$350



SPACE IS LIMITED

REGISTRATION IS NON-REFUNDABLE & NON-TRANSFERABLE!

REGISTER DANCERS FOR THE GRADE THEY WILL ENTER FALL 2022.
 (PRICES INCREASE 8/1)

SESSIONS AVAILABLE ON A FIRST-COME FIRST-SERVED BASIS!

JOIN MISS JESSIE & MISS MAGGIE B. FOR THIS TWO DAY BALLET INTENSIVE TO SHARPEN YOUR TECHNIQUE, EXPAND YOUR SKILLS AND PREPARE FOR THE UPCOMING DANCE SEASON! INTENSIVE WILL INCLUDE BALLET CLASS, POINTE CLASS (OLDER DANCERS ONLY), AND INJURY PREVENTION TECHNIQUES AND STRATEGIES

\$125 REGISTRATION FEE
 (Price increases 8/1)

ALL DANCERS WELCOME TO ATTEND!
MANDATORY FOR COMP. TEAM AUDITIONS

REGISTER ONLINE TODAY!

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Competition Team AUDITIONS



Chesterfield

Audition Location:
RJ's Chesterfield
17371 Edison Ave

Ellisville

Audition Location:
RJ's Ellisville
16189 Westwoods Business Pk

Wednesday, August 10th

Specific Times TBD

All dancers auditioning must also register & attend one session of Summer Intensive

Session 1: Thursday, August 11th & Friday, August 12th

Session 2: Saturday, August 13th & Sunday, August 14th

Summer Intensive Location: RJ's Ellisville

See website for registration & details





Performance Team
AUDITIONS

AUDITION WORKSHOP:
Friday, August 19th ... 4:00pm - TBD
Saturday, August, 20th ... 9:00am - TBD
Both Days Mandatory for Audition!

Location:
RJ's Ellisville
16189 Westwoods Business Park

For more info & to register, visit our webpage



Hip Hop Crew AUDITIONS



AUDITION WORKSHOP:

Friday, August 19th ... 4:00pm - TBD
Saturday, August, 20th ... 9:00am - TBD
Both Days Mandatory for Audition!

Location:

RJ's Ellisville
16189 Westwoods Business Park

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CONGRATULATIONS

TO THE

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RJ'S DANCERS & ALUMNI REPRESENTING 2022-2023 SCHOOL TEAMS! HARD WORK AND STRONG TECHNIQUE WILL ALWAYS GIVE YOU THE EDGE YOU NEED TO CRUSH YOUR GOALS!

Abby S.
 Addison F.
 Addison G.
 Adelaide K.
 Adyson R.
 Alessandra M.
 Ali R.
 Allison M.
 Allison H.
 Alyssa R.
 Amanda G.
 Anna S.
 Annie A.
 Ashleigh K.
 Aubrey C.
 Ava H.
 Avery T.
 Avery S.
 Avri R.
 Azura T.
 Beckett F.
 Brooke S.
 Caelyn B.
 Campbell B.
 Caroline W.
 Chrissy R.
 Claire J.
 Corinne P.
 Danielle H.
 Elaina S.
 Eleanor L.

Ella T.
 Ella H.
 Ella C.
 Ellen L.
 Ellison C.
 Emerson G.
 Emilia B.
 Emily B.
 Emily W.
 Emma H.
 Emma R.
 Faith M.
 Finley C.
 Georgia F.
 Gillian F.
 Hannah T.
 Jessie K.
 Jillian F.
 Julia C.
 Julia G.
 Julia K.
 Kahley S.
 Kaitlyn M.
 Kate B.
 Katelyn L.
 Kayla W.
 Laney J.
 Lauren M.
 Leah B.
 Lexi S.

Lilian W.
 Lilly M.
 Lily H.
 Lily W.
 Louisa F.
 Lydia S.
 Lydia M.
 Maddie W.
 Madeline H.
 Madison C.
 Madison N.
 Maegan F.
 Maggie M.
 Malia J.
 Marah S.
 Marilyn M.
 McKinley K.
 Mia M.
 Mia G.
 Mirenda G.
 Molly P.
 Olivia B.
 Quinn M.
 Reagan C.
 Reagan R.
 Sadi K.
 Samantha D.
 Sarah M.
 Sydney H.
 Sydni K.
 Violet R.



WE HOPE YOU ENJOY THE SHOW!

How else can you help support RJ's and our dancers?

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TAG US IN YOUR PICS:



LEAVE US A REVIEW [@] FACEBOOK & GOOGLE:



EMAIL US or YOUR TEACHER:

