

DCDC Class of 2026



Congratulations, Class of 2026! We are so proud of you!

Paint the Stage Recital 2026

Finishing touches and some polishing... these classes are about ready to put it all out on the stage for you in just a few weeks! This is such an exciting time here at the studio as we support one another and see these awesome numbers come together.

We are continuing to add more recital details to the website: [Recital 2026](#). Costume details will be updated very soon: color tights, what to do with accessories, hair details, etc. We will send this out via email and it will be updated on the above linked recital landing page.

The rehearsal schedule and recital assignments are available on the above linked recital landing page. **Reminder:** Our rehearsal is a **CLOSED** rehearsal = no audience.

Recital Tickets Sales Open May 3rd @ 4pm

An email was sent earlier today with the access link and details for recital ticket purchases. The link will be live on Sunday, May 3rd @ 4pm - no access code needed. Please note: No tickets will be available for purchase at the door on the day of the shows.

DCDC Company Auditions: May 16th - 17th

Interested in trying out for the DCDC Company Team for the 26-27 season? [Click HERE](#) to register

- May 16th: Ages 3-11, 8:45 am - 11:00 am
- May 17th: Ages 12+, 9:45 am - 1:00 pm

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Miss Colleen McGorry

Saint Joseph's University (PA)

Major: Business

"Being apart of DCDC has meant so much to me and has truly become my second home. It has given me to my best friends and allowed me to teach for the past 4 years which I have loved so much. Thank you to all the teachers for shaping me into who I am today. I will miss DCDC so much!"

Miss Desiree loves the energy that Miss Colleen brings to every class she assists. She is incredibly dedicated, always showing up ready to support, uplift, and lead by example. Colleen dances with such strength and confidence, bringing a powerful presence to the stage that continues to grow each year. One of Miss Desiree's favorite memories is working with Colleen on her solo last year and watching her jump right on stage, curls fresh, ready to shine. Colleen's passion and commitment make her such a special part of our studio family.



Miss Sydney Neumann

Rollins College (FL)

Major: International Business

"DCDC has meant so much to me over the years. I have made some of my best friends here and it's hard to imagine what it will be like next year without being able to see them all the time."

Miss Desiree loves Miss Sydney's positivity and has been so happy to see her jump in this season assisting Level II Ballet. Sydney has grown into a beautiful dancer over the years at DCDC, showing both dedication and grace. Miss Desiree also loves chatting with Sydney about reality TV, and Sydney always keeps Miss Des up to date on the latest celebrity buzz. Sydney's bright spirit and kindness make her such a special part of our studio family.



Sofia Soto Ospina

Hofstra University (NY)

Major: Mass Media Communication

Minor: Dance

"My favorite studio memories are the ASH Convention in 2025 and the end of the year recital sophomore year.

Miss Desiree is so proud of the strength and resilience Sofia brings into the studio each and every day. She has a quiet determination that speaks volumes, always pushing herself to grow and never backing down from a challenge. One of Miss Des' favorite memories is watching Sofia have a breakthrough moment in rehearsal, when everything just clicked and her confidence truly shined through. Sofia's journey, heart, and dedication will leave a lasting impact at DCDC, and she is such a special part of our studio family.

DCDC Boosters Events

Raising funds for the Company's Nationals Trip

Teacher Experience Raffle

Dancers have the chance to win fun, one-of-a-kind experiences with their favorite teachers: pizza parties, nail days, and more!

Tickets are \$1.00 each: 1 ticket = 1 chance to win

Purchase as many tickets as you'd like and choose which experiences to enter a chance to win.

Sales **open May 25th** and close at the end of intermission of the second recital show.



The poster features the DCDC logo with a silhouette of a dancer, the text 'Teacher Experiences', and 'Teacher Experience Raffle!'. It lists the dates 'May 25 — June 7' and shows a grid of 10 images: portraits of teachers, dancers in various poses, and a pink ticket icon. At the bottom, it includes a QR code, a URL, and a note that details are available at the link above.

Teacher Experiences

Teacher Experience Raffle!

Win one-of-a-kind experiences with your favorite teacher
May 25 — June 7

Tickets can be purchased in studio and online

Scan to purchase tickets
Or visit the [link below](https://www.zeffy.com/en-US/ticketing/dcdc-boosters-teacher-experience-raffles)

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Details available at the link above

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Stage Door Shout Outs

Send your dancer a little extra love backstage!

Submit a good luck video message that will be played backstage.

Each purchase includes one video submission... choose your moment and make it special!

Encourage family and friends to also submit videos from afar and help surround your dancer with support, excitement, and positive vibes right before they perform.



★ ★ RECITAL 2026

Stage Door SHOUT OUTS

Send your dancer a little extra love backstage! ✨

Purchase this \$10 item to submit one **good luck video message** that will be played on a loop before they take the stage. Once purchased, you'll receive an email with simple instructions on where to upload your video.

Each purchase includes one video submission only, so choose your moment and make it special!

Encourage family and friends to also submit videos from afar and help surround your dancer with support, excitement, and positive vibes right before they perform.

Give Your Dancer Some Extra Love Backstage!



On Sale: May 1 – May 29 | Only \$10 | 1 Video =
Per Video Message | 1 Special Shout Out

The poster features a vibrant, colorful illustration of a dancer in a multi-colored, star-patterned outfit, performing a move. The background is a mix of bright colors and stars. The text is arranged in a clear, readable layout, with the main title in large, bold letters. A QR code is located in the bottom right corner, and the sale information is at the bottom.

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Gift Card Raffle

Don't miss our Gift Card raffle, your chance to win big while supporting the DCDC Competition Company.

New this year: virtual ticket sales!

Tickets go live online May 25. In-person sales will be open at the recital as well.

Sales close at the end of intermission, Recital Show 2. A winner will be announced at the end of Show 2. You don't need to be present to win.



The graphic features the DCDC logo (Desiree Catania Dance Center) with a silhouette of a dancer. The main text reads "Don't miss our GIFT CARD Raffle!". A basket of gift cards is shown on the right. A blue starburst says "GREAT PRIZES. BIG IMPACT.". A QR code is labeled "SCAN TO BUY TICKETS ONLINE!". A blue banner at the bottom states "ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE DCDC COMPETITION COMPANY".

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Desiree Catania Dance Center

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- TICKETS GO LIVE ONLINE MAY 25** plus in-person sales at the recital.
- SALES CLOSE** at the end of intermission of the second recital.
- WINNER DRAWN** at the end of the show!
- YOU DON'T NEED TO BE PRESENT TO WIN.**
Thank you for supporting our dancers!

SCAN TO BUY TICKETS ONLINE!

ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE DCDC COMPETITION COMPANY

Competition Corner

Upcoming events for our Competition Company

- **Sat, May 2nd:** Juice Pod Dine and Donate
- **Fri, May 8th - Sun, May 10th:** TIU Regionals, Lancaster
- **Sat, May 16th - Sun, May 17th:** 26-27 Auditions
- **Sat, Jun 27th - Fri, Jul 3rd:** TIU Nationals, NJ

What's Coming Up?

- **May 3rd:** Recital Ticket Sales Open @ 4:00 pm
- **May 23rd - 25th:** Studio Closed, Memorial Day Weekend
- **June 1st:** Summer Week Balances Due
- **June 6th:** Rehearsal: 1:00 - 6:30 pm
- **June 7th:** Recitals: 11:00 am and 4:00 pm

Summer Camp Balances

This is a reminder that all summer camp balances will be due June 1st. Balances will automatically be debited from the account on file unless another payment method is specified. An information letter about each summer camp week will go out to registered families 1 week before the camp start date.

There are still [spots available!](#) Summer registration will close on May 31st.

May Birthday Shout Outs

Hanna Jrassza, 5/1
 Kathy Warren, 5/2
 Jane Wiley, 5/2
 Amelia Sanfilippo, 5/7
 Nicki Luz, 5/9
 Rosalie Evangelista, 5/10
 Claire McGrath, 5/12
 Alana Coggeshall, 5/17
 Jolie Kim, 5/17
 Abigail Hallahan, 5/22
 Lucy Christakis, 5/25
 Lorin Shallcross, 5/25
 Elle McGrath, 5/26
 Kristin Psathas, 5/26

