



Summer 2026 Newsletter

Mark Your Calendars | Camps and Important Dates

June 1 | Start of Summer Session Weekly Classes

Enroll now and join us for Summer 2026!

June 1-5 | Elemental Fusion | Mixed-Media Commercial Dance Camp

Unleash your creativity and energy at the ultimate summer camp experience where jazz dance, hip hop, music, and film collide through the exciting world of commercial dance. This one-of-a-kind camp explores tv commercials, backup dancing, hip hop culture, music videos, short cut videos, and one take videos. Camps includes a final showing on the last day and an original camp short film.

June 8-13 | Lawrence Dance Intensive: Session 1 (Senior & Junior)

Since 2016, the Lawrence Dance Intensive has connected regional dancers with sought-after instructors and guest artists to enrich your skills and artistry. Based on a diverse and well-balanced curriculum, the Lawrence Dance Intensive strives to develop the artists of tomorrow.

June 15-18 | Take Me to the Ballet Camp

"Slip on your dance shoes and experience the magical world of classical ballet. Learn famous dance steps as you take flight over Swan Lake, awaken the Sleeping Beauty, and help Cinderella find her slipper. Then, use your imagination to help create an original ballet to perform on the last day of camp. No story ballet is complete without a costume, so you will be crafting your very own tutu and other accessories to wear for your performance. See you at the ballet! No camp on June 19.

June 19 | Building Closed in observation for Juneteenth/No classes

June 29-July 10 | Dance Performance Camp | Where the Sidewalk Ends

This summer the Performance Dance Camp takes a trip to Where the Sidewalk Ends. Using a variety of dance genres, participants will bring to life the whimsical and creative poetry of beloved author Shel Silverstein. Dancers will work with all aspects of the production, from sets to choreography to costumes. This two-week camp will culminate in a performance for family and friends.

July 3 | 4th of July Holiday Observation/No Classes

July 13-18 | Irish Dance Camp

Open to beginner through advanced Irish Dancers. Beginners do not need experience Lets make some noise this summer! Hardshoe boot camp will include an hour of fundamental technique, an hour of fast tempo drills and steps including St. Patrick's Day traditional set dance, and an hour of shlow advanced tempo steps. Dancers new to hardshoe through top level classes are welcome.

July 20-24 | Lawrence Dance Intensive: Session 2 (Junior Session II)

July 24 | Last day of Weekly Classes

Upcoming Auditions

June 7 | Auditions for Lawrence Ballet Theatre Company, 2-4PM

Auditions are held each year for company members and apprentices. To be considered for Lawrence Ballet Theatre, applicants must attend a formal audition. Pre-registration is required. The deadline to register online is June 6. Auditions will be held on Sunday, June 7 from 2-4 pm.

Lawrence Ballet Theatre (LBT) is the resident pre-professional ballet company of the Lawrence Arts Center. The mission of Lawrence Ballet Theatre is to provide extensive training and performance opportunities and to broaden connections to the dance community. Led by Artistic Director Cynthia Crews, company members gain exposure and experience through numerous performances of classical ballet repertoire and original works. LBT dancers work directly with professional guest choreographers in addition to their work with the artistic director. LBT is a member company of the prestigious Regional Dance America/MidStates. Each year, LBT attends the annual RDA/Midstates Festival held in various cities across the Midwest.

Upcoming Performances

July 10 | Summer Choreographer's Showcase, 7pm

Apply to be a part of the 2026 School of Dance Choreographer's Showcase!

Calling all movers ages ten to adult to apply for the annual School of Dance Choreographer's Showcase! This event provides a venue for both new and experienced choreographers to exhibit their work in a supportive and encouraging environment.

Choreographers must apply and be approved before their work is eligible to be performed. Applying choreographers must adhere to the choreographic guidelines listed below. There is no cost to apply and perform if selected.

Scholarships and More

DANCE BUNDLE DISCOUNTS

Enroll in three or more dance classes at the same time and get 20% off dance tuition. Applies to the entire household. Automatically applies at online checkout.

BOYS DANCE SCHOLARSHIPS

are for young men who demonstrate a strong interest in the field of dance. Applicants must be in the 2nd–12th grade to be eligible. Contact Dance Staff to apply.

CARMINE BALLETO SCHOLARSHIPS

are awarded by audition to two students who have demonstrated excellence in dance and a commitment to their craft. Details for auditions below.

TRY IT BEFORE YOU BUY IT!

Give any dance class a try before enrolling. Call the front desk for more information about discounts and trial classes.

