



# Jazz Intensive 2026

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*MacKenzie Howse*

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MacKenzie Howse is a talented dancer, singer, and teacher **based in New York City**, originally from Alberta, Canada. With a passion for dance ignited at the **age of three**, she has honed her skills across various genres throughout her life. MacKenzie **completed a prestigious two-year scholarship program at The Ailey School**, where she showcased her talent in performances choreographed by renowned artists such as **Jae Man Joo, Jennifer Archibald, and Amy Hall Garner**.

**Since 2019, MacKenzie has been performing as a Radio City Rockette in the iconic Radio City Christmas Spectacular**, where she has captivated audiences with her performances and **made numerous live televised appearances**. Her career has also taken her around the globe, **performing with Step One Dance Company aboard Holland America Line**, further enriching her experience and artistry in the world of dance.

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*Cynthia Coolidge*

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Cynthia Coolidge is **co-owner of All for Dance**. She has been teaching dance for **33 years** at studios in both New Jersey and Pennsylvania. **She has danced professionally all over the country** with **Sesame Street Live's International Tour**, as **Elmo and Betty Lou**.

Ms Cyn has trained in New Jersey, Pennsylvania and taken many classes across the country. **She is certified by Dance Masters of America in Ballet, Jazz and Tap and has served on the board of ITDI (International Teachers of Dance Inc.)**. Helping dancers find their love of dance is what makes her classes a wonderful experience

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*Daniel Palladino*

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Daniel Palladino is an innovative and versatile dance artist **currently performing with Ballet Hispánico in New York City. He is a graduate of The University of the Arts, where he earned a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Dance.** Daniel brings a unique perspective that **blends both concert and commercial dance aesthetics,** supported by **strong technical training** and **professional versatility.**

Following graduation, Daniel performed for **two seasons with Dallas Black Dance Theatre.** Throughout his career, he has **worked with renowned artists including Jeffrey Page, Juel D. Lane, Helen Simoneau, Tommie-Waheed Evans, Sidra Bell, Elisa Monte, Norbert De La Cruz, Gregory Dolbashian, Kirven Douthit-Boyd, Nejla Yarkin, and Jae Man Joo, among others.**

Daniel has **taught extensively across Alberta and the United States,** sharing his passion for dance in a wide range of settings—from recreational studios and elite conservatories to professional training programs. **His teaching philosophy is rooted in anatomical awareness, expressive clarity, and a commitment to nurturing each dancer's individuality and potential.**

Now based in New York City, Daniel continues to deepen his artistry through performance while giving back to the next generation as a choreographer and educator.

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*Claire Coolidge*

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Claire Coolidge has been dancing **since the age of four**, she started her training at All for Dance dance studio in Robbinsville, New Jersey, taking a wide array of classes in genres such as Ballet, Jazz, Tap, Hip Hop, Modern and Contemporary.

She furthered her education and training during **high school at the Burlington County Institute of Technology: Performing Arts Academy, studying in Ballet, Modern and Jazz.** For her senior year, she **moved on to The Joffrey Ballet Schools Jazz and Contemporary Trainee Program in New York City** under the direction of **Angelica Stiskin and Michael Waldrop**, training in styles such as Ballet, Contemporary, Jazz, Hip Hop, Improvisation, Theater, Partnering, and Modern. She just recently graduated after four years of training and **had the opportunities to work with choreographers such as Billy Griffin, Gabrielle Lamb, Michael Peña and Amy Yakima.**

After graduating she has been featured in multiple works by independent artists, **performing in "Spring4Spring" at Mignolo Dance, and "8 in Show" at Dixon Place.** She currently is a **member of the Hip Hop company Empire Dance** and has **performed at World of Dance Boston and The Power of Now** as a **company member.** This past spring she was proud to **set a new piece of choreography on the dance program students in BCIT's Performing Arts Academy.**

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*Lauren DiPietro*

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Lauren DiPietro began her career as a **competitive dancer and choreographer in Massachusetts**, and is a **graduate of the American Musical and Dramatic Academy in NYC**. Recent credits include: **Radio City Christmas Spectacular (ensemble)**, **Shelley in Hairspray (Broadway national tour)**, **Step One Dance Company**, **Knicks City Dancers**, **Lisa in Mamma Mia! (Royal Caribbean)**, and **Blue Planet (featured aerialist)**. She has also performed with **Iggy Azalea, Tinashe, Jordin Sparks, The Pointer Sisters, Patti LaBelle, Heather Headley, and Taylor Dayne**.

In addition to her performance career, Lauren is a choreographer and educator, teaching at various studios, high schools, colleges, and conventions nationwide. Her mission is to “aspire to inspire,” helping the next generation of dancers embrace their authentic selves and pursue their dreams entirely and unapologetically.

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*Kaylee Chesla*

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Kaylee Chesla is a jazz/hiphop dancer from Warminster, Pennsylvania who has been **training in various styles for 16 years**. Beginning her dance journey at **KRSD where she served as captain for 2 years**, she has competed in many different competitions over the east coast. She has attended many clinics and conventions across the country where she learned from world renowned dancers and choreographers.

**Kaylee founded the Archbishop Wood Dance Team her senior year of high school where she led as captain and choreographer**. Known for her powerful tricks and movements, Kaylee has earned many special awards and recognition. She continues to share her passion through performing, teaching, choreographing, and coaching and has been asked to teach at many studios across the tri-state area.

**Kaylee has joined both Empire and Contempire companies** and was privileged to **compete at World of Dance in New York**. Kaylee has been offered great opportunities and is excited where what the future holds for her.

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*Lauren Kraynak*

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Lauren Kraynak is a dancer and choreographer with **over 20 years of training** across a wide range of styles. **She currently serves as the Assistant Director of Empire Dance Company**, where she has performed and choreographed for notable showcases and competitions including **World of Dance and Prelude**. Her choreography has also been **featured in performances throughout Philadelphia, New Jersey, and New York**.

Previously, **Lauren was a captain of the University of Virginia Dance Team**, performing at national events such as the **NCAA Men's Basketball National Championship**, and she has danced professionally for the Philadelphia Wings. Outside of dance, **Lauren holds a master's degree in speech-language pathology** and works as a school-based SLP, providing teletherapy services to students.

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*Joia DiGregorio*

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Joia DiGregorio has been **dancing for over 30 years** and has been **teaching dance for over 20**. Miss Joia **graduated from Mercer County Performing Arts H.S.** and **went on to obtain her AA in Fine Arts from MCCC**. Miss Joia also **spent time dancing at the University of the Arts in Philadelphia**.

During her dancing career, **she was a member of the Hamilton Ballet Theater, Mercer Dance Ensemble, Breathe Dance Exhale Company, and was also a performer for Sovereign Bank Arena**.

Miss Joia has continued her dance education by taking classes and training with **Broadway Dance Center, CLI Studios, T Spheres, various Yoga disciplines, and is also DMA certified in Ballet and Jazz**.

Currently Miss Joia **holds a BAS in Elementary Education and English from The College of New Jersey**. Miss Joia's philosophy is to instill a lifelong love of dance.