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Compass dance academy

Jennifer Weirich is a dedicated instructor and office manager at Compass Dance Academy. As an experienced dancer herself, Jen brings her passion to the stage as a Little Movers Instructor. When she's not teaching, she runs her own medical insurance company out of home. Heather Butzer joined the dance community when her daughter Maddie fell in love with it. With 8 years of experience, Heather is now an office manager and Intervention Specialist at Tuslaw Local School District. Angie Duncan has been a lifelong dancer, finding strength and confidence through movement. As a specialist in ballet and jazz, Angie will lead Compass Dance Academy's new Adaptive Dance Program. Elizabeth Remley danced competitively for 7 years before joining the faculty at Compass Dance Academy. A 5th grade math teacher and middle school musical choreographer, Liz is dedicated to her students' growth. Alexandra Williams discovered her love of hip-hop in high school and has been teaching it ever since. Currently pursuing a degree in Human Behavior/Social Work at Stark State College. Corry Douglas is a talented tap instructor with a passion for dance. Rachel Cowley brings her expertise in multiple styles, including jazz, ballet, tap, contemporary, and hip hop, to the faculty at Compass Dance Academy. Naomi Bunn was graduated from State University in 2014 with a degree in Marketing, but her true passion lies in dancing. She has been trained in various styles including hip hop, jazz, and contemporary. Naomi has spent time abroad studying dance performance and choreography in Sydney, Australia. She loves teaching kids and using dance to bring joy to others. Heather Snyder is the owner of Compass Dance Academy and has been involved with dance for most of her life. She started dancing at age 3 and went on to earn degrees in Communications and Counseling. Heather is a certified yoga instructor and offers classes in jazz, hip hop, lyrical, and contemporary. Kelly Rice-Perry Christian has been dancing since she was five years old and has competed in various styles including jazz, tap, ballet, and acrobatics. She also volunteers as a dance assistant in after school programs for younger students. Kelly has degrees in Computer Graphic Design and Education. Shannon Salisbury is a University of Akron graduate with a degree in dance. She offers teaching experience in jazz, tap, hip-hop, and ballet. Shannon is part of Toddler and Me Compass Dance Academy, which provides classes for all ages and skill levels. Compass Dance Academy offers a variety of styles including creative movement, ballet, tap, contemporary, modern, and musical theater. The studio aims to provide a welcoming environment where students can grow and develop a passion for dance. Dance Academy for All Ages At Compass Dance Academy, we offer a nurturing environment that fosters self-confidence, mental well-being, and healthy relationships among our students. We welcome instructors, parents, and students to join our growing family. Our academy provides a warm atmosphere where every student feels welcome and supported. We strive to inspire our students to develop a passion for dance, just like our instructors, and believe that dance is an art form that promotes joy, confidence, and social connection. We offer a range of classes for children from 18 months to pre-ballet, including Toddler & Me, where parents participate with their little ones. Our programs cater to different age groups and interests, such as hip hop, ballet, contemporary, jazz, tap, and musical theatre. For students with disabilities, we have an Adaptive Dance class led by Ms. Duncan, a Special Education Intervention Specialist. We also offer Pointe classes for those who are ready, combining ballet techniques with tumbling skills. Our academy's mission is to provide a fun and engaging learning environment that promotes physical activity, coordination, and creativity. With the guidance of experienced instructors, our students can develop their talents and build confidence on stage or in everyday life. The newly formed ministry of Inspiro Arts Alliance, Dancelink, based in Tyrone, expanded its scope to cater to children's needs and adjust the class schedule accordingly. Around this time, Sara Gratzner and others from Refuge Dance Company joined the fold. Between 2007-2010, there was a significant boost in class attendance and student proficiency. This growth eventually led to the establishment of Compass Dance Academy in 2011. Our goal is to create stunning visual expressions that promote holistic development among our young ones - encompassing their physical, emotional, and spiritual well-being - thus enriching our community and making a positive impact on the world at large.