

NORTH STAR NEWSLETTER

APRIL 2026

Summer IS COMING!

PLEASE NOTE: DUE TO THE RECITAL, NO MAKEUPS WILL BE PERMITTED AFTER APRIL 1ST. PLEASE ENSURE TO SCHEDULE ANY MAKEUPS PRIOR TO THAT DATE.

SUMMER SESSIONS

Ages 6-9

Ages 10+

Ages 12+

Beginning through Advanced Levels

Week 1: Jun 1 - 4

Week 2: Jun 8 - 11

Week 3: Jun 15 - 18

- Each session is 3 hrs
- Enroll in ½ day or full day(s)
- Performance & Technique classes in all sessions

See our website for the full schedule

UPCOMING EVENTS

MAY

2

RECITAL PICTURE DAY

26

MEMORIAL DAY STUDIO CLOSURE

29

RECITAL DRESS REHEARSAL

30

RECITAL - MATINEE & EVENING SHOWS (Regular season ends)

JUN

1

SUMMER SESSION BEGINS

CAMPS



- Session 1: 6/1 - 6/4 | 9-11:30am (Mon-Thu)
- Session 2: 7/6 - 7/9 | 9-11:30am (Mon-Thu)

TUITION AUTO PAY/LATE FEES

- 28th - Tuition Auto-Pay is processed
- 5th - After 5th of the month, payment is late. Fee may be accessed.

****AUTO-PAY IS REQUIRED, SO PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU HAVE A VALID CARD ON FILE****

Summer Pricing

Summer Sessions:	COST
• 1 Session (3 hrs)	\$45
• Full Day (2 Sessions)	\$80
• Full Week (8 Sessions)	\$300
Rainbows & Unicorn Camp	\$135
Pirate, Prince & Princess Camp	\$150

Pirate PRINCE & PRINCESS



- Session 1: 6/15 - 6/18 | 9-12pm (Mon-Thu)
- Session 2: 7/13 - 7/16 | 9-12pm (Mon-Thu)

Miss Ashtyn

TEACHER SPOTLIGHTS-

Miss Ashtyn has been part of our dance family since she took her 1st dance class at the age of 3!! Miss Karen was Ashtyn's 1st dance teacher, and Ashtyn continued her dance education/training with Miss Karen and other North Star faculty members (Miss Candy & Miss Jill) at their former studio continually until she graduated high school. Ashtyn was a competitive dancer from the time she was 9 years old and became one of the most accomplished Elite dancers winning many titles, overall high scores, and awards!

It's easy to see that Miss Ashtyn gets her passion from her beautiful mother who was a former dancer herself and dance teacher for many years. Even while attending college at U of A, Miss Ashtyn continued to dance with a local performing company in Tucson, AZ. Upon graduation, Miss Ashtyn returned to her dance roots and joined the North Star faculty the first year they opened in 2021. Her specialty is choreography in the Contemporary genre, and she has been choreographing dances for our competitive teams since we started the first Company in 2021! She also teaches and leads the Senior Rising Stars performance team. In addition, Miss Ashtyn works full-time in her professional role as a Licensed Professional Counselor. We are so proud of Ashtyn and so very fortunate that she continues to share her passion for dance with our North Star students!



What's your desert island food pick?: Pasta

If you could grow up in any decade, which would you chose? "The '50's. I've always loved the glamour and style of this decade."

What is your favorite Holiday & why?: "Christmas because it is the season of giving and being together with my loved one. My fam makes the most delicious Christmas dinner, which makes it even more special."

What do you love the most about teaching dance? : "I love inspiring students with the same joy that dance has given me, and watching them grow as they overcome their own challenges. Dance has a special way of touching people's hearts, and one of my favorite things is helping students learn how to tap into the story & emotion that connect them with the audience. I feel so lucky to do what I love every week!"

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Miss Emma

Miss Emma joined the North Star faculty in June 2024 after graduating high school! Emma was a star performer in the competition world, and as a choreographer, her Contemporary dance pieces are filled with her unique artistry that sets her apart from other teachers. Emma was referred by Miss Jill when she was dancing on the same dance team as Miss Jill's daughter, Ashlynn. From the moment Miss Emma taught her first class at North Star, the dancers fell in love with her style and teaching methods. Sharing her passion & talents has led Miss Emma to choreographing several dance pieces for our competitive teams. She has won Best Choreography awards at numerous competition events, and her dances typically are one of our highest scoring routines placing in the top overall awards!

Emma is a full-time student at GCU, where she also is a member of the GCU dance team. She is an apprentice & performs professionally with MUSE out of LA and teaches at other studios around the Valley. We are so very fortunate to have Miss Emma as a member of our faculty and dance family and are excited to see her continue sharing her talents with North Star students for many years to come.



What's your favorite summer vacation spot? "Harry Potter World at Universal Studios"

What is a random or hidden talent you have? "Writing in calligraphy"

What is your favorite Holiday & why?: "Christmas because of the nostalgia it brings me and the music!!"

What do you love the most about teaching dance? : "Helping students explore and find their voice through movement!"



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