

# BEHIND THE MOVEMENT:

## a choreographer's intensive

### What is this?

Behind the Movement: a choreographer's intensive is an opportunity for students to learn more about choreography and be mentored by a teacher in creating a solo for themselves that will then be performed at Flair on the Square (July 26th, 2025).

### Who can apply?

Current Art of Movement Dance Studio dancers who will be in grades 6th-12th in the 2025-2026 school year.

### How does it work?

Dancers interested will fill out an application and submit a video audition piece. The AMDS teachers will then review all applications and video auditions and select strong candidates for this intensive.

Once selected we will have a one hour interactive choreography basics lecture class with all of the participants and teachers on June 3rd, 7-8pm. It will be a quick course on choreography, with creating a solo choreography as the focus. You will also be assigned a teacher who will act as your mentor in the process.

For the next 6 weeks you will schedule one-on-one meetings with your mentor. Here's a breakdown of the time you have with them:

- The first meeting will be 30 minutes and you will have your music choice ready. You and your mentor will edit your music and talk through choreography ideas.
- You then have 2- one hour sessions and 3- half an hour sessions to schedule with your mentor to work at the studio on the creation and cleaning of your solo. This will be done June 9th-July 19th.
  - Need additional meetings with your mentor? You can schedule and pay for private lessons with them if you feel you need more one-on-one time.
  - Going on a vacation this summer or have a summer job? No problem, schedule your meetings around your vacation and other commitments.
- July 23rd we will hold a dress rehearsal at the studio for all participants.
- July 26th is performance day at Flair on the Square. The performance will be in the afternoon, details TBD.

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## **What is the application process and audition?**

Dancers who want to apply need to fill out the application (**with parent permission**).

You will be asked different questions, including:

1. Why do you want to participate in this choreography intensive?
2. What are you most excited about?
3. What are you most nervous about?
4. How do you think this experience will benefit you?
5. What traits do you have that would make you a good candidate for this type of experience?

Once your application form is received, you will be sent a selection of music that we would like you to create a movement phrase to. This is something that you create on your own and record yourself performing. Remember, this is an audition, so give us your best and be sure to present yourself in a well put together manner. Once your recording is done, upload the video to YouTube, creating an unlisted posting that you can then email us the link to OR give us a thumb drive with the video on it. We will send detailed instructions on how to put it on YouTube, if you are unfamiliar, and interested in that format.

***All application forms and videos must be submitted by APRIL 19TH.***

## **When do I find out if I have been selected to participate this summer?**

All applicants will be notified via email on May 5th, whether they were selected or not.

We do have a limit on the number of participants we can take.

## **What is the cost?**

The intensive costs \$200 per participant, due by May 31st.

This includes:

- the initial 1 hour class
- 4 hours of one-on-one mentorship time at the studio
- Music for your performance
- Dress rehearsal at the studio
- The performance experience at Flair on the Square.

We may also offer some "open studio" time, where the studio will be open and anyone can come use the space to practice without their mentor.

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Participants will need to come up with their own costuming and props, but are welcome to borrow items from the studio, as well.

[APPLICATION FORM LINK](#)

Still have questions? Reach out to us: [info@artofmovementdancestudio.com](mailto:info@artofmovementdancestudio.com)