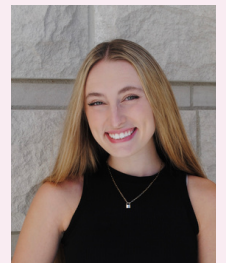
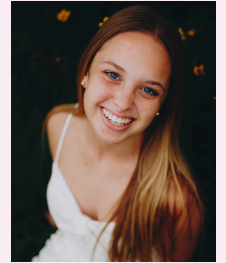




MSS DANCE

MEET OUR TEACHERS

2024-25



MARIA MILLER

Maria is from Indianapolis, Indiana & she began dancing at the age of two years old! Her fundamental dance study emphasized technique, creating a strong foundation before joining dance team. Maria continued her dance study at Belmont through classes & The Belmont Dance Company. Teaching dance is her passion & she significantly values the childhood dance experience.

**Classes- Princess Pre-Ballet & Lil' Heroes*

KRISSY DODGE

Krissy Dodge received her BA in Dance Performance from Point Park University before joining the The Nashville Ballet in 2003. She enjoyed a decade long career where she performed numerous traditional principal roles as well as original works. After retiring from the stage, Krissy joined the Nashville Ballet faculty and has continued to teach for the past ten years. She loves teaching and ensures her classroom is a safe place to grow.

**Classes- Pre-Ballet*

MACY DYKES

Macy grew up in St. Augustine, Florida & has been a part of performing arts since she was three, through dance, theater & music! Macy danced recreationally throughout school, where she trained in a wide range of styles including classical ballet, jazz, tap, hip hop, contemporary & more. She danced competitively & won multiple national titles alongside her teammates. She now directs a dance team at Belmont alongside teaching classes at The MSS!

**Classes- Beginning Tap, Tap, Hip Hop, Music, Dance & Drama*

LAUREL CRAIN

Laurel is from Maryville, where she took her first ballet class at the age of 4 & instantly fell in love with the art of dance. She danced competitively starting at the age of 8, in styles such as ballet, jazz, lyrical, contemporary, acro & hip-hop, taking home many National titles & awards. She served as a dance team captain & competed alongside her teammates at many state & nationwide competitions. She began teaching at her home studio at the age of 14, assisting & choreographing. She is currently a part of two dance companies at Belmont to further her love & education of dance.

**Classes- Creative Movement & Storytelling, Ballet I*