



Meet our Instructors

Miss Heather, Miss Jenilly, Miss Kirsti, Miss Elizabeth

Heather Hicks

Heather will be teaching our Creative Movement this year. She has a wealth of experience working with kids as she has 3 beauties of her own. Heather ran a day home for several years, working with children of various ages. She has taken a course on teaching creative movement and has a great line up of music, games and activities lined up for our mini dancers. We look forward to having Heather work with our little ones as she always displays great energy, compassion and enthusiasm!



Jenilly Joseph

Jenilly was born and raised in Calgary Alberta where she grew up training in tap, jazz, ballet, hip hop, and lyrical and musical theatre. She was a member of Calaway Live where she devoted two seasons of dancing and performing in musical stage shows for tourists from around the world. After graduating with a French Bilingual High School Diploma, she moved to Edmonton to study at the University of Alberta. She continued to share her love of dance as she became a dancer for various organizations including the University of Alberta Dance Team. She also represented Edmonton as a dancer for the NLL. Upon graduating from the University of Alberta, she travelled to Australia to gain a better international dance perspective and trained in Australia's leading cities known for world class training including Melbourne, Brisbane and Adelaide. Jenilly has returned to her home town and displays her love for the province by continuing to volunteer in hospitals, nurseries and preschools throughout Alberta. Throughout her life, Jenilly has cherished the opportunity to dance in many dance conventions, workshops and dance camps held throughout Alberta. She has won many dance scholarships and awards including the "Love of Dance Award" from the talented couple Alex and Jo from Groove Street Productions. Jenilly's most memorable dance experience was the opportunity to train with her idol and world renowned dance choreographer, Sean Cheesman, and to be granted a dance scholarship by him. We look forward to having Jenilly on our team as she shares her energy and enthusiasm to our spectacular dancers!





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Kirsti Leibel

Kirsti Leibel was born and raised in Camrose, and started dancing at the age of 6 studying Tap, Jazz, Ballet, Musical Theater, Hip Hop and Lyrical. She has studied the Al Gilbert tap syllabus, RAD and Vaganova Ballet. Competing throughout Alberta and Saskatchewan, Kirsti has had the opportunity to work with many different choreographers and instructors. She has worked with faculty and choreographers of Groove Street and Street Groove Productions, the 605 collective, the Northern Alberta Dance Association and Sinfully Sweet. Kirsti has taught dance at a few different schools around Alberta and is requested for guest and summer school teaching. Kirsti shares her love of dance with her sister who teaches in eastern Alberta. They enjoy working together to give their dancers the best possible experience. Kirsti is working as a full time Educational Assistant when she is not at dance. At her school, she choreographs the Grand March for the graduating class and is now collaboratively working with a teacher to teach dance classes at the school as an options class. She is also a trained hair stylist and enjoys styling hair in her spare time. Kirsti is looking forward to returning to SCD for her 5th season and has many great fun ideas for the year. Her students love her energy and passion for dance. She continues to bring joy and excitement to class every week.



Elizabeth Maitland

Welcome our new Ballet instructor! Elizabeth has been taking ballet for 18 years. She has training in both Cecchetti and RAD syllabuses and has her passed Cecchetti Advanced 1 Certificate with High Honors. She is currently working on her final Cecchetti Advanced 2 , upon completeing this Elizabeth will be able to prusue her Nenrico Cecchetti Diploma, to become one of few Certified Cecchetti Ballet instructors in Alberta. Elizabeth also completed RAD training which she broadened at the Alberta Ballet Professional Division, prior to the school discontinuing the program. She has also danced and trained with the Allan Cozzubbo Dance Academy, Ballet Royal, Absolute Dance, Star Dance, Royal Winnipeg Ballet School and "To the point". Elizabeth went to high school at Calgary's Central Memorial Fine Arts Program where she broadened her dance knowledge in *Ballet, Jazz, African, Swing, Latin, Point and Theatrical Jazz*. She has taught over southern Alberta educating students in dance. We are looking forward to having Elizabeth join our team and pass on her knowledge, experience and expertise to our wonderful students.

