

Dance Masters of Canada Presents...

*Teen Miss Dance of
Canada 2025*



Kaia Kretz

*Teen Mr. Dance of
Canada 2025*



Michael Antaran

*Petite Miss Dance of
Canada 2025*



Julia Kowalski

*Junior Miss Dance of
Canada 2025*



Izzy Hanson

Solo Title Competition 2026

*Mr. Dance of America
2026*



Luca Shakespeare

Welcome to Dance Masters of Canada,

Chapter #38

Greetings DMC Dancers, Teachers, Families and Friends,

Welcome to the 2026 Solo Title and Performing Arts Competition. I am honoured and humbled to be the elected President for Dance Masters of Canada, and I am excited for the studios and schools that are partaking in DMC this year.

It is important that as participating members, teachers and dancers of DMC, we understand the values upon which this organization is built. DMC abides by and stays true to the philosophies held by its parent organization – Dance Masters of America. DMA has set some of the highest standards of excellence in dance education for its teachers and their students. As parents, you should be comforted and proud to know that your child is receiving dance training comparable to no other.



In addition to guaranteeing a high-standard of dance education, DMA also inspires camaraderie, support, and teamwork between studios, teachers, and students. You will not find such a collaborative and encouraging atmosphere in any other dance organization. It is for this reason that I can say that I am excited for DMC this year, as there is no telling in what new relationships, technical growth, and unique experiences our dancers will take part.

This brings me to congratulate our 2025 Solo Title Competition winners and representatives: Julia, Izzy, Kaia, Michael and Luca. Congratulations on all of your accomplishments and thank you for representing our chapter over in Orlando! A special acknowledgment to ***Luca Shakespeare*** our Mr. Dance, for successfully achieving the national title of ***Mr. Dance of America 2026***. You have made our chapter extremely proud to have you both represent us and this organization.

DMC's **PERFORMING ARTS COMPETITION (PAC) & SOLO TITLE COMPETITION** begins **FRIDAY MORNING**. All of our DMC dancers will participate in these events. Please make sure to support all of the performers on stage, in true DMA-fashion, as the talents, creativity, and hard-work from all involved studios will be highlighted.

I would like to thank Jeanine Henderson-Kitching, Valerie Saija-Moore, and the rest of the Competition Committee for organizing the event. I am also very appreciative for the support and guidance of the DMC executive team: Rebecca Brettingham-Filice, Valerie Saija-Moore, Nina Strazzulla, Sue Kirwin-Campbell, Lynn Hill, Jeanine Henderson-Kitching, Nicole Inica-Hamilton, Dustin Wood and Tiffani Beauparlant. Thank you for keeping this chapter successful. Lastly, I want to thank all participating families and teachers because it is with your support that DMC will continue to grow and prosper.

Dancers, it is very rare for people to find what they love and are good at doing it. You have been truly blessed. Make new friends, learn new things, perform your hearts out, and enjoy the weekend!

Sincerely,

Trish Thompson-Creamer
President, DMC Chapter #38

Welcome Our Judges!

Kevin Garvey

Kevin's love for dance began at age 4 in the studio of his late grandmother, Dotty McGill—a former National President of Dance Masters of America. That early start sparked a lifelong passion that led him to study at the Pennsylvania Governor's School for the Arts and later earn a B.A. in Dance (Jazz concentration) from Point Park University.

His professional career has taken him to stages across the country, including performances with Norwegian Cruise Lines, Busch Gardens Williamsburg, Neil Goldberg's Cirque Productions, and a special project with recording artist Amy Grant. While with Norwegian, Kevin also served as a Dance Captain and Production Manager, choreographing for several of their ships. He even made a television appearance on WGN America's Outsiders.

Kevin has been teaching since 2000, sharing his experience with the next generation of dancers. He teaches at the Dotty McGill School of Dance and serves on faculty at Grove City College, where he directs the Orchesis Dance Company and choreographs for the college's musicals.

A proud member and Past President of Dance Masters of Pennsylvania, and a National Area Director for Dance Masters of America. Kevin has received numerous regional and national awards for his choreography. His students have achieved top honors, including Miss Pennsylvania (Miss America Organization) and multiple Dance Masters of Pennsylvania titles.

Kevin continues to inspire dancers of all ages through his teaching, choreography, and leadership in the dance community.

Sasha Litvak

Born and raised in Moscow, Russia, Sasha began his training at the Young Dancers Studio of Moscow at age five. By the time he was 13 years old, he was accepted into a 3 year professional program and went on to work with a second biggest company in Moscow, following his graduation. Soon after, Sasha accepted a scholarship with Randolph Academy for the Performing Arts in Toronto, Canada and had the opportunity to expand his practice within additional genres, to include Jazz, Hip-Hop, Tap, and Musical Theatre. During his time at Randolph Academy for the Performing Arts, Sasha also trained and competed with Vlad's Dance Company.

After 2 years in Canada, Sasha joined Desrosiers Dance Theatre, a contemporary dance company in Toronto, whom he represented throughout Canada and USA for the following 2 years. Sasha later accepted a position with Ontario Ballet Theatre and divided his performances with Celebrity Cruises over the following 4 seasons together.

At just 20 years of age, Sasha turned to teaching and quickly received multiple choreography awards. As a reflection of his work, the dancers he trained also received an array of awards and scholarships, and a handful of dancers were selected to represent the National Ballet School of Canada.

Using the experience he has gained, Sasha has built several successful ballet programs for competitive dance studios internationally. He is excited to turn his attention towards judging and share his knowledge and talent with the upcoming generation of dancers.

Karen Prior

Karen has touched the lives of many students over the years from Kitchener -Waterloo to across the country. She was the co-owner of Classic Productions, which exhibits theatre talent through variety shows. Successfully she worked with DMA Chapter #43 Pageants and Performing Arts Competitions, American Dance Awards the Canadian Tour, Owned and Operated Starmaker Dance Festival for 12 seasons, Dance Dance Dance for 6 years and Dance Dance Canada for 4 years. Her goal is to create a positive experience for everyone involved. Through Dance Dance Canada, Karen created, directed and choreographed the DDC ShowTeam that performed a variety show overseas in the summer. The ShowTeam traveled to Costa del Sol, Spain in 2006 and toured in 2007 with Monarch Classic Cruises, to many beautiful Greek Islands. She had been a teacher and choreographer for The Summer School of Performing Arts at the Centre in the Square for 11 years and has taught at Sir Sanford Fleming College in Haliburton for a few summers. She performed with Project People for three seasons, was a member of KWMP for 6 years and choreographed and performed for the Modeling Association of Canada for a few years.

Karen teaches at various dance studios, all age and all levels. She especially likes teaching the adult classes. At the community centers, elementary and secondary schools she teaches jazz classes and swing dance that was very popular. As well as Jazz, Tap, Lyrical, Musical Theatre and Song and Dance she teaches Liturgical dance within Waterloo region for the Hamilton Dioceses. Karen has been involved in dance all of her life. She started dancing at the age of 3 yrs old and competed & performed until she went to Sheridan College for Musical Theatre. She has been a competitive dance teacher for over 30yrs and has judged for many organizations across Canada and the U.S. Headliners, ADA, DDD, BDTA, Bedazzled, Kiwanis Festivals, DMA US State Pageants, DMA Chapter #38, Dance Odyssey, Let's Get Loud, Bedazzled, Fever International Dance, Breakthru Dance Challenge, Dance Attack and many more. She especially enjoyed traveling to Mexico in July 2008 for the Triple Force and Dubo Force, theatre and dance workshops.

Ms. Prior Cashin has won numerous awards for Costuming, Choreography and Performance. She is known for being creative and original and has been thrilled to win Creative Concept Awards for her work for two decades. Karen's favorite place is the theatre. She works with Schools and Musical Theater companies as their director/choreographer and has collaborated on over 40 musicals. Karen choreographed Anne of Green Gables at the Centre in the Square which her daughters performed in 2013 and Mary Poppins in New Hamburg 2017. She is still teaching 5 days a week and very much loves her work. Enjoy your weekend of dance !





DMC Chapter #38 Solo Title Competition

Opening Number

"What A Feeling"

Choreographed by Emma Pettigrew

President's Speech

Trish Thompson-Creamer

Petite Miss Dance of Canada 2025 Farewell Performance

Julia Kowalski

Petite Miss Dance of Canada 2026 Talent Competition

Teen Miss Dance of Canada 2025 Farewell Performance

Kaia Kretz

Teen Miss & Teen Mr. Dance of Canada 2026 Talent Competition

Teen Mr. Dance of Canada 2025 Farewell Performance

Michael Antaran

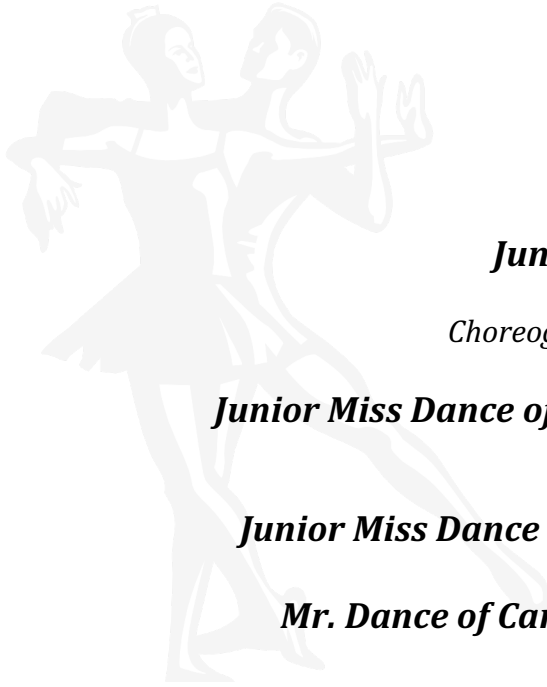
Petite Miss Dance of Canada 2025 Farewell Speech

Teen Miss Dance of Canada 2025 Farewell Speech

Teen Mr. Dance of Canada 2025 Farewell Speech

Intermission





Junior Members of DMC

"The Edge"

Choreographed by Shawna Donovan

Junior Miss Dance of Canada 2025 Farewell Performance

Izzy Hanson

Junior Miss Dance of Canada 2026 Talent Competition

Mr. Dance of Canada 2025 Farewell Performance

Luca Shakespear

Miss & Mr. Dance of Canada 2026 Talent Competition

Junior Miss Dance of Canada 2025 Farewell Speech

Mr. Dance of Canada 2025 Farewell Speech

Introduction of Judges

Parade of Contestants

Final Awards Ceremony



DMC Chapter #38 is Proud to be the Home of:

Mr. Dance of America 2026

Luca Shakespeare



Teacher of Record & Choreographer

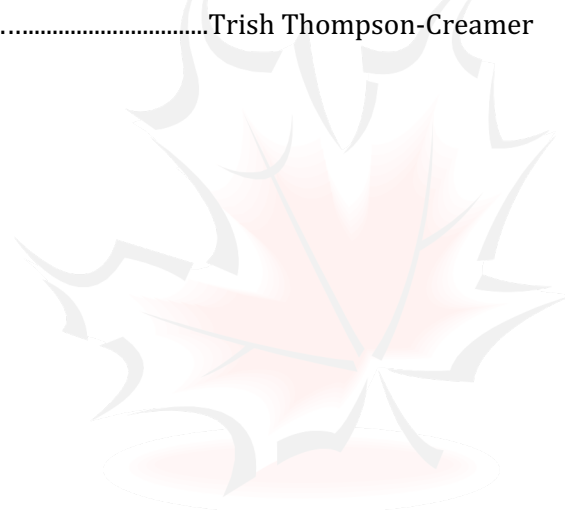
Trish Thompson-Creamer

Mini Miss Dance of Canada, Chapter #38

2007 <i>Kelsey Chan</i>	Maureen O-Hanlon-Morkill
2006 <i>Megan Poon</i>	Maureen O-Hanlon-Morkill
2005 <i>Stephanie Vieira</i>	Maureen O-Hanlon-Morkill
2004 <i>Alexandrea Gordon</i>	Maureen O-Hanlon-Morkill
2002 <i>Larissa Giovinazzo</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2001 <i>Dayne Hamilton</i>	Julieann Lewis
2000 <i>Laura Muraca</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
1999 <i>Nicole Dime</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
1998 <i>Nina Strazzulla</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
1997 <i>Kate Barrett</i>	Arelene Murchison-Doggart
1996 <i>Noelle Boggio</i>

Mini Mr. Dance of Canada, Chapter #38

2007 <i>Nico Fekete</i>	Maureen O-Hanlon-Morkill
2004 <i>Nicholas Maiorano</i>	Maureen O-Hanlon-Morkill
2001 <i>Ricky Campbell</i>	Nancy English-VanDyk
2000 <i>James McVicar</i>	Nancy English-VanDyk
1999 <i>Ryan Silvestri</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
1998 <i>Paul Sokolov</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer



Petite Miss Dance of Canada, Chapter #38

2025 <i>Julia Kowalski</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2024 <i>Ada DeDecker</i>	Lisa Naves-Abonyi
2023 <i>Halli Winsor</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2022 <i>Izzy Hanson</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2021 <i>Allie Hanson</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2020 <i>Daphne Panagopoulos</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2019 <i>Angelina Centurami</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2018 <i>Ophelia Chan</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2017 <i>Adina Mus</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2016 <i>Sadie Macdonald</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2015 <i>Kassidy Johnston</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2014 <i>Rachel Miller</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2013 <i>Izabella Centurami</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2012 <i>Alexa Compare</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2011 <i>Zofia Kasprzyk</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2010 <i>Erin Bagnato</i>	Tammy Roberts
2009 <i>Emily Grady</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2008 <i>Kiana Simler-Fuoco</i>	Rebecca Bettingham-Filice
2007 <i>Alexandra Hilario</i>	Maureen O-Hanlon-Morkill
2006 <i>Rachel Imbrogno</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2005 <i>Megan Moniz</i>	Maureen O-Hanlon-Morkill
2004 <i>Dayne Hamilton</i>	Julieann Lewis
2003 <i>Alicia Fantin</i>	Maureen O-Hanlon-Morkill
2002 <i>Nicole Dime</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2001 <i>Stephanie Petsinis</i>	Julieann Lewis
2000 <i>Katrina Petsinis</i>	Julieann Lewis
1999 <i>Kate Barrett</i>	Arelene Murchison-Doggart
1998 <i>Kara Neumann</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
1997 <i>Christina Shaw</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
1996 <i>Jessica Chance</i>
1989 <i>Lisa Ceccarelli</i>	Lori McKay
*Petite Miss Dance of America 1990	

Master Dance of Canada, Chapter #38

2024 <i>Kai Kirton</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2016 <i>Carter Creamer</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2013 <i>Ewan Hartman</i>	Rebecca Brettingham-Filice
<i>*Master Dance of America 2015</i>	
2011 <i>Justin Medeiros</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2008 <i>Jhaleil Swaby</i>	Dawn Rappitt
<i>*Master Dance of America 2009</i>	
2007 <i>Lakota Knuckle</i>	Lisa Naves-Abonyi
2006 <i>McKinley Knuckle</i>	Lisa Naves-Abonyi
2003 <i>Joey Arrigo</i>	Arelene Murchison-Doggart
2002 <i>Ryan Silvestri</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2001 <i>James Guerette</i>	Alana Turner
2000 <i>Taylor Roper</i>	Tammy Roberts
1997 <i>Tyler Parsons</i>	Kim Creco
1996 <i>Matt Shields</i>	Nancy English-VanDyk



Petite Miss Dance of Canada 2026 Contestants

Contestant #1



Avery Auld

Contestant #2



Everly Schneider

Contestant #3



Adalynn Odendaal

Contestant #4



Violet Raab



Julia Kowalski – Petite Miss Dance of Canada 2025



My name is Julia Kowalski, I am 10 years old, and I am a competitive dancer from Stoney Creek, Ontario. I began my journey in movement at the age of four through gymnastics, where I developed strength, flexibility, and discipline. Not long after, I was introduced to dance and quickly found a strong connection to it. I loved the combination of music, movement, and performance. Although I trained in both gymnastics and dance and was able to succeed in each, there came a point where I had to make a choice. I chose to follow my heart and pursue dance, as it is where I feel the most confident, expressive, and inspired. Dance is more than just something I do, it's who I am.

At the age of 6, I joined Rythum Plus Dance Company, and that decision has played a major role in shaping who I am today. The studio has become like a second home to me, and my teachers have supported me, challenged me, and pushed me beyond what I ever thought I was capable of. Through their guidance and encouragement, I have grown not only as a dancer, but also as a person. They have helped me build confidence, discipline, and a strong work ethic that I carry with me both in and out of the studio.



With the support of my teachers at RPDC who I am so thankful for, I had the confidence to compete in the 2025 Dance Masters of Canada pageant, where I was honoured to win the title as Miss Petite Dance of Canada 2025. This opportunity had also allowed me to represent Canada at the Dance Masters of America pageant, where I placed 1st runner-up. Dance Masters of America is an experience I will never forget; the performances, the energy, and especially the friendships that I made will last for many years to come. I would like to extend my sincere appreciation to everyone who made these opportunities possible all these memories I have made will be with me forever. A special thank you to Mrs. Nina for your passion, dedication, and commitment to all your students, you continue to inspire me every day.



Dance has given me so many beautiful moments, but none of this would be possible without my family. They are my biggest supporters, always cheering me on, helping me through challenges, and celebrating every little success with me. Whether it's driving me to early morning practices, sitting through long competition days, or encouraging me when I feel nervous, they are always there for me. I also love traveling with my family and experiencing new places around the world. Traveling has given me the chance to learn, grow, and create lasting memories. My family is the most important part of my life, and I would not have been able to experience any of these opportunities without their constant love and support. They are always there encouraging me, and I am so grateful to have

them by my side as I continue my journey in dance.



Teen Miss Dance of Canada, Chapter #38

2025 <i>Kaia Kretz</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2024 <i>Brooke Kronemeyer</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2023 <i>Kaia Kretz</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2022 <i>Ophelia Chan</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
*Teen Miss Dance of America 2023	
2021 <i>Kassidy Johnston</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2020 <i>Rachel Miller</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2019 <i>Emma Pettigrew</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
*Teen Miss Dance of America 2020	
2018 <i>Brigitte Turnbull</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2017 <i>Sarah Parlatore</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2016 <i>Zofia Kasprzyk</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2015 <i>Emily Grady</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2014 <i>Julia Miller</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2013 <i>Adele Cuicani</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2012 <i>Jordyn Winger</i>	Lisa Naves-Abonyi
2011 <i>Rachel Imbrogno</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2010 <i>Katherine Kasprzyk</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
*Teen Miss Dance of America 2011	
2009 <i>Jenny Pappas</i>	Dawn Rappitt
2008 <i>Clara Eaton</i>	Nancy English-VanDyk
2007 <i>Larissa Giovinazzo</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2006 <i>Samantha Elvin</i>	Tammy Roberts
2005 <i>Nina Strazzulla</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2004 <i>Kayla Silvestri</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2003 <i>Bobby-Jo McGivens</i>	Nancy English-VanDyk
2002 <i>Valerie Saija</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2001 <i>Kim Leone</i>	Alana Turner
2000 <i>Meagan Blackwood</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
1999 <i>Rachel Parnaby</i>	Alana Turner
1998 <i>Megan Chapman</i>	Sue Kirwin-Campbell
1997 <i>Jessica Campbell</i>	Robin Henderson
1996 <i>Danielle Alonzo</i>	Nancy English-VanDyk

Teen Mr. Dance of Canada, Chapter #38

2025 <i>Michael Antaran</i>	Rebecca Brettingham-Filice
2022 <i>Carter Creamer</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
<i>*Teen Mr. Dance of America 2023</i>	
2019 <i>Ewan Hartman</i>	Rebecca Brettingham-Filice
2012 <i>Danny Leger</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
<i>*Teen Mr. Dance of America 2013</i>	
2011 <i>Dustin Urschel</i>	Sandra D'Archie
2007 <i>Joey Arrigo</i>	Dawn Rappitt
<i>*Teen Mr. Dance of America 2008</i>	
2006 <i>Adam Sergison</i>	Dawn Rappitt
2005 <i>Nathan Walker</i>	Nancy English-VanDyk
2004 <i>Taylor Roper</i>	Tammy Roberts
2001 <i>Scott MacDonald</i>	Nancy English-VanDyk
<i>*Teen Mr. Dance of America 2002</i>	
2000 <i>Matt Shields</i>	Nancy English-VanDyk
1997 <i>Carlos Bustamante</i>	Alana Turner



Teen Miss Dance of Canada 2026 Contestants

Contestant #1



Lauren Persia

Contestant #2



Layla Coronel

Contestant #3



Daphne Panagopoulos



Kaia Kretz – Teen Miss Dance of Canada 2025



Kaia began dancing at the age of two at Rhythm Plus Dance Company, where she quickly discovered her love for the stage. She trains in tap, jazz, ballet, acro, lyrical, and contemporary under the guidance of Trish Thompson-Creamer. Through her training, Kaia has developed a strong work ethic and a passion for performance, artistry, and technical excellence across all styles of dance.

As a Rhythm Plus dancer, Kaia has had many exciting performance opportunities. She has appeared on Tiny Talent Time, performed as a backup dancer with the Mini Pop Kids, modeled dancewear, and served as a Tap Roots syllabus demonstrator. Kaia was also a member of Rhythm Ensemble, a pre-professional tap company dedicated to providing unique training and performance opportunities to young tap dancers.

Kaia is a Grade 10 student at A.N. Myer Secondary School, where she is an active member of student council, athletic council, and the school dance team. She is also a proud francophone student, where she takes pride in balancing her academic and extracurricular commitments. Kaia enjoys painting acrylic on canvas as well as exploring creativity through hair and makeup. Alongside her passion for the arts, Kaia has recently begun participating in mathematics contests and she hopes to one day pursue a career as a radiologist.

Kaia has been a competitive soloist since the age of five and has always enjoyed participating in the Dance Masters of Canada Solo Title Competition. She was honoured to receive her first title as Jr. Miss Dance of

Canada 2021 and later representing Chapter #38 as Teen Miss Dance of Canada 2023. In 2025, she proudly earned the title of Teen Miss Dance of Canada where she was thrilled to place 4th Runner-Up Teen Miss Dance of America, won the Tap Audition Class, and received the Dotty McGill Memorial Scholarship Award for earning the highest tap talent score.



reigning contestants.

At the Dance Masters of America National Competition in Orlando, Florida, Kaia proudly represented Dance Masters of Canada Chapter #38. She participated in workshop classes with nationally recognized choreographers and learned new techniques in various styles that challenged her. One of her favorite parts of the experience was reconnecting with old friends, meeting dancers from across North America, and gaining inspiration from watching all the

Kaia would like to thank Dance Masters of Canada Chapter #38 and Dance Masters of America for the incredible opportunities they provide. She is deeply grateful to all of her teachers at Rhythm Plus Dance Company, especially Trish Thompson-Creamer, and to her mom and choreographer, Tiffani Beauparlant, for their constant support and inspiration.

Dance expresses joy better than anything else - Bob Fosse



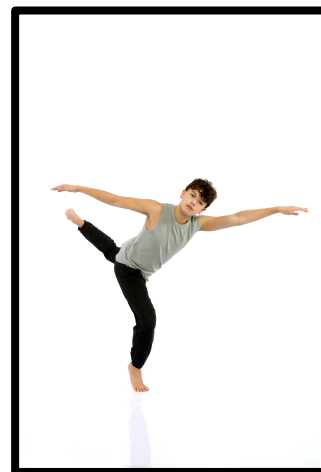
Michael Antaran – Teen Mr. Dance of Canada 2025



Michael is 15 years old and currently in the 10th grade. He began dancing at Dance Extreme at the age of four and has continued to grow both technically and artistically throughout the years. This past season marked his second time competing in a pageant, and he was proud to build on his previous experience and push himself even further.

In July, Michael travelled to Orlando, Florida alongside his fellow titleholders Julia, Izzy, Kaia, Ophelia and Luca. While in Orlando, he was honoured to place 2nd runner-up for Teen Mr. Dance of America. One of the most meaningful parts of the experience was competing alongside his studio and closest friends, creating unforgettable memories both on and off the stage. He especially valued the friendships and connections that were strengthened during nationals.

Michael would like to sincerely thank Dance Masters of Canada Chapter 38 for providing him with the opportunity to represent their organization over the past year. He is incredibly grateful to his friends and teammates at Dance Extreme for their constant support, encouragement, and the unforgettable memories they have shared together. Michael would also like to express his deepest appreciation to his family especially his mom for her unwavering support, guidance, and love throughout his journey. He is truly thankful for everything she has done for him. He would like to thank his fellow titleholders for the meaningful memories they created together during nationals.



Michael extends his gratitude to Rebecca Brettingham-Filice for her dedication, guidance, and the countless hours she has invested in his training. Her mentorship has inspired him to believe that with hard work and determination, anything is possible. He would also like to thank Madi Novakovic for her outstanding choreography and continued support over the past year. Her creativity and commitment have played a significant role in shaping his performances.

Lastly, Michael would like to wish all contestants the very best of luck and hopes they enjoy every moment on stage.



Junior Miss Dance of Canada, Chapter #38

2025 <i>Izzy Hanson</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2024 <i>Lauren Persia</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2023 <i>Daphne Panagopoulos</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2022 <i>CC Perdue</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2021 <i>Kaia Kretz</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2020 <i>Ophelia Chan</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
*Junior Miss Dance of America 2021	
2019 <i>Ella Grace Kocijancic-Silk</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2018 <i>Kassidy Johnston</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
*Junior Miss Dance of America 2019	
2017 <i>Izabella Centurami</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2016 <i>Brigitte Turnbull</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2015 <i>Izabella Centurami</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2014 <i>Zofia Kasprzyk</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2013 <i>Emily Grady</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2012 <i>Julia Miller</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2011 <i>Emily Grady</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2010 <i>Victoria Kotsopoulos</i>	Tammy Roberts
2009 <i>Maria Kandilas</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2008 <i>Jazzmin James</i>	Dawn Rappitt
2007 <i>Laura Gravina</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2006 <i>Katherine Kasprzyk</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2005 <i>Larissa Giovinazzo</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2004 <i>Arielle Talarico</i>	Julieann Lewis
2003 <i>Vanessa Zingaro</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2002 <i>Nina Strazzulla</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2001 <i>Bobby Jo McGivens</i>	Nancy English-VanDyk
2000 <i>Valerie Saija</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
1999 <i>Christina Shaw</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
1998 <i>Shelley Kenney</i>	Tammy Roberts
1997 <i>Meagan Blackwood</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
1996 <i>Megan Chapman</i>	Sue Kirwin-Campbell

Junior Mr. Dance of Canada, Chapter #38

2024 <i>Oliver Kirton</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2023 <i>Michael Antaran</i>	Rebecca Brettingham-Filice
2018 <i>Carter Creamer</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2016 <i>Ewan Hartman</i>	Rebecca Brettingham-Filice
*Junior Mr. Dance of America 2017	
2014 <i>Myles Mackesy</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2010 <i>Sachin Beepath</i>	Tammy Roberts
2009 <i>Danny Leger</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
*Junior Mr. Dance of America 2010	
2008 <i>Zachary Wall</i>	Nancy English-VanDyk
2005 <i>Jacob Bury</i>	Nancy English-VanDyk
<i>Joey Arrigo</i>	Dawn Rappitt
*Junior Mr. Dance of America 2005	
2004 <i>Justin Lopes</i>	Lisa Naves-Abonyi
2003 <i>Robert Anzit</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
1999 <i>Scott MacDonald</i>	Nancy English-VanDyk
*Junior Mr. Dance of America 2000	
1998 <i>Matt Shields</i>	Nancy English-VanDyk
1987 <i>Ted Banfalvi</i>	
*Junior Mr. Dance of America 1988	



Junior Miss Dance of Canada 2026 Contestants

Contestant #1



Reace Pham

Contestant #2



Kaelyn Coronel

Contestant #3



Mila Gomes

Contestant #4



Marlow Moriarity

Contestant #5



Halli Winsor

Contestant #6



Harper Lee

Contestant #7



Penelope Salinas

Contestant #8



Scarlett Lee

Izzy Hanson – Junior Miss Dance of Canada 2025



What does dance mean to Izzy? It means the world to her! Izzy is 12 years old and is in Grade 7 at St. Gabriel School. Her favourite subjects are Math, Gym and Dance. Izzy loves school and has especially enjoyed being a part of the school leadership team, the talent show and track and field. At the age of two, she took her very first dance class at Rhythm Plus Dance Company, and she was completely hooked. Dance definitely brings out the very best in Izzy, she is filled with so much happiness when she gets to perform on stage. Izzy currently studies ballet, tap, jazz, hip-hop, lyrical, contemporary and acro. Izzy has so much to be grateful for when it comes to being a part of RPDC, friends have turned into family, special bonds have been formed with teachers and the skills learned will be with her always.

Izzy was absolutely in love with her jazz solo “All That Jazz”. She performed her solo for the title of Junior Miss Dance of Canada Chapter 38. It was choreographed by the incredible Miss Trish Thompson Creamer!!! She was thrilled when she found out she was going to be able to compete in Florida in the summer of 2025 with some of her favourite dance friends from RPDC. Although Izzy was nervous when she got to Florida, things quickly changed as soon as she met the other Junior Miss Contestants. Instant connections were made with talented dancers from all over the USA. Participating in the auditions, swimming and laughing with friends, cheering on her fellow title holders, watching Carter perform the last time as Mr. Dance of America and performing her solo on stage were just some of the highlights of her time at DMA. As far as moments go, this was by far one of the most exciting and special of Izzy’s life. When they announced Izzy as 2nd runner up, you could see the tears in her eyes and you could hear the cheers back in Canada. It meant the world to Izzy to have had the chance to represent Canada. These memories are ones she will keep with her forever. A special thank you to all of our dance family and friends for their love and support in Florida. Also a very special thank you to Mary for the most gorgeous costume!



Izzy has attended many competitions, conventions and workshops since she started dancing. She has enjoyed being a demonstrator for Acrobatic Arts, and assisting at the DMC conventions. She would like to thank Chapter 38 and Dance Masters of America for such an amazing opportunity over the last year. Izzy is so grateful to receive such exceptional support, encouragement and dance education from Mrs. Trish-Thompson Creamer and the amazing, talented, kind and caring teachers at RPDC. Izzy would like to thank all of her team members and friends at RPDC, who have become her best friends over the years. She truly can’t put into words how much the staff and her dance team have guided her into the young lady she has become

Izzy has loved being able to share her love of dance with her big sister Allie and her friends and family. She would like to thank her big sister Allie, mom, dad and all of her family for always being her biggest cheerleaders. Izzy would like to congratulate all of the upcoming title holders and wish them a year filled with many new and wonderful experiences. Izzy wants all of the dancers to remember to shine bright and feel the joy that dance can bring. She can’t wait for the upcoming competitive season to get on the stage and cheer on all of her wonderful friends who share her passion for dance.

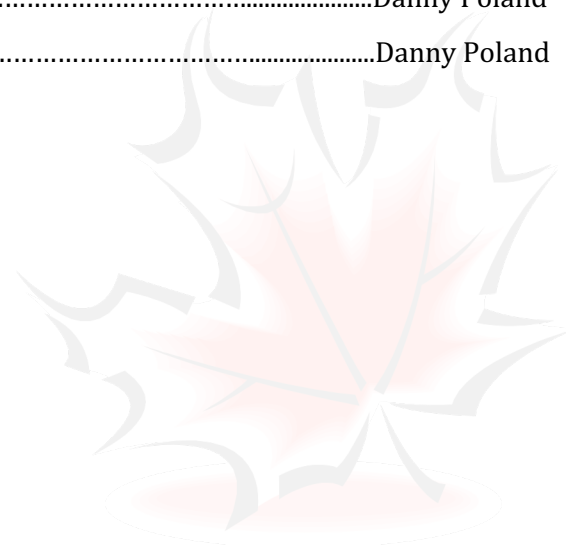


Miss Dance of Canada, Chapter #38

2024 <i>Ava Cardno</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2023 <i>Kassidy Johnston</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2022 <i>Emma Pettigrew</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2021 <i>Brigitte Turnbull</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2020 <i>Julia Miller</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2019 <i>Zofia Kasprzyk</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2018 <i>Emily Grady</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2017 <i>Samantha Lake</i>	Rebecca Brettingham-Filice
2016 <i>Julia Miller</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2015 <i>Brittney Turnbull</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2014 <i>Caitlynn Long</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2013 <i>Rachel Imbrogno</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2012 <i>Katherine Kasprzyk</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
*Miss Dance of America 2013	
2011 <i>Laura Gravina</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2010 <i>Nina Strazzulla</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2009 <i>Lindsay Leuschner</i>	Dawn Rappitt
2008 <i>Melanie Mah</i>	Dawn Rappitt
2007 <i>Valerie Saija</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
*Miss Dance of America 2008	
2006 <i>Leslie Bramhill</i>	Rebecca Brettingham-Filice
2005 <i>Dana Chapman</i>	Dana Chapman
2004 <i>Valerie Saija</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2003 <i>Shelley Kenney</i>	Tammy Roberts
2002 <i>Meagan Blackwood</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2001 <i>Carol McGookin</i>	Maureen O-Hanlon-Morkill
2000 <i>Danielle Alonzo</i>	Nancy English-VanDyk
1999 <i>Jessica Horn</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
1998 <i>Danielle Alonzo</i>	Nancy English-VanDyk
1997 <i>Erica Munghan</i>	Tammy Roberts
1996 <i>Michelle Galati</i>	Danny Poland

Mr. Dance of Canada, Chapter #38

2025 <i>Luca Shakespeare</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
*Mr. Dance of America 2026	
2024 <i>Carter Creamer</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
*Mr. Dance of America 2025	
2023 <i>Luca Shakespeare</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2019 <i>Will Widner</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2015 <i>Devon Snell</i>	Rebecca Brettingham-Filice
2014 <i>Dustin Urschel</i>	Sandra D’Arsie
2012 <i>Austin Lichty</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2009 <i>Joey Arrigo</i>	Dawn Rappitt
*Mr. Dance of America 2010	
2008 <i>Justin Lopes</i>	Lisa Naves-Abonyi
2007 <i>Nathan Walker</i>	Nancy English-VanDyk
2006 <i>Taylor Roper</i>	Tammy Roberts
2004 <i>Dave Mickel</i>	Nancy English-VanDyk
2003 <i>Ryan Adkins</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
2002 <i>Matt Shields</i>	Nancy English-VanDyk
2000 <i>Dustin Wood</i>	Nancy English-VanDyk
1999 <i>Carlos Bustamante</i>	Alana Turner
1998 <i>Bryan Shaw</i>	Trish Thompson-Creamer
1997 <i>Pete Cristo</i>	Nancy English-VanDyk
1996 <i>Jay Schramek</i>	Danny Poland
1995 <i>Ryan Foley</i>	Danny Poland



Miss Dance of Canada 2026 Contestants

Contestant #1



Adelia Line

Contestant #2



Evelyn Sergi

Contestant #3



Ava Cardno

Contestant #4



Isobel Pascoa



Luca Shakespeare – Mr. Dance of America 2026



Luca began dancing at the age of seven, starting with ballet before briefly exploring gymnastics. Although he enjoyed the athletic challenge, he was drawn back to dance for its expression and musicality. As a young boy, he told his mom, “I just want to dance” — a moment that shaped his path.

He trained in Niagara Falls, later strengthening his ballet foundation in St. Catharines, and performed in *The Nutcracker* as Fritz, the *Nutcracker Prince*, and *Cavalier*. He also appeared in *Cinderella* as the *Jester*.

During COVID-19, Luca remained dedicated, training virtually and expanding his versatility. His first solo, *American Pie*, sparked his passion for competition and led him to fully commit to Rhythum Plus Dance Company in 2021.

After discovering Dance Masters of America, Luca set his sights on that stage. In 2022, he placed First Runner-Up for Teen Mr. Dance and later earned Second Runner-Up at The Dance Awards. He also trained at École Nationale de Cirque, further developing his artistry and athleticism.



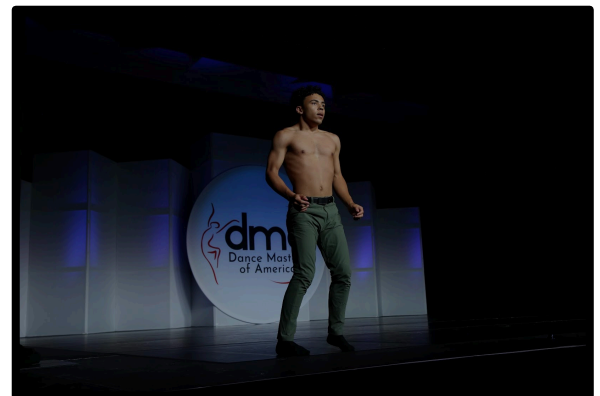
In 2023, while facing the challenge of his mother’s cancer diagnosis, Luca continued to train with determination. He competed at DMA Nationals, placing First Runner-Up for Mister Dance of America, while also receiving the Acro Class Award and Gene Wright Memorial Scholarship. That same year, he represented Canada on the Acro Team in Mexico.

In 2025, Luca earned the title of Mister Dance of Canada and went on to achieve his goal of becoming Mister Dance of America 2026.

Luca has since performed professionally with Royal Caribbean aboard *Freedom of the Seas* and is honored to be back, inspiring this year’s contestants.

He extends heartfelt thanks to his RPDC family, his fellow titleholders, and especially Trish Thompson Creamer for her constant support and belief in him.

To this year’s contestants: enjoy every moment — you are all incredible.



~ Awards Ceremony ~

Petite Miss Dance of Canada 2026 Talent Competition

Ballet Audition: _____

Jazz Audition: _____

Tap Audition: _____

Acro Audition: _____

Interview: _____

1st Runner-Up Petite Miss Dance of Canada 2026: _____

PETITE MISS DANCE OF CANADA 2026: _____

Junior Miss Dance of Canada 2026 Talent Competition

Ballet Audition: _____

Jazz Audition: _____

Tap Audition: _____

Acro Audition: _____

Interview: _____

2nd Runner-Up Junior Miss Dance of Canada 2026: _____

1st Runner-Up Junior Miss Dance of Canada 2026: _____

JUNIOR MISS DANCE OF CANADA 2026: _____

Teen Miss Dance of Canada 2026 Talent Competition

Ballet Audition: _____

Jazz Audition: _____

Tap Audition: _____

Acro Audition: _____

Modern Audition: _____

Interview: _____

TEEN MISS DANCE OF CANADA 2026: _____

Miss Dance of Canada 2026 Talent Competition

Ballet Audition: _____

Jazz Audition: _____

Tap Audition: _____

Acro Audition: _____

Modern Audition: _____

Interview: _____

1st Runner-Up Miss Dance of Canada 2026: _____

MISS DANCE OF CANADA 2025: _____

Congratulations to all of our contestants!

Autographs & Memories

