



STUDIO 320 DANCE RECITAL - KANSAS CITY MUSIC HALL

TUESDAY – MAY 12, 2026



Marilyn performed by all 118 Company 320 dancers

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- 2 **L-O-V-E** **Perf Team 1st-2nd Grade** **Miss Madelyn**
Karli Amerson, Scarlett Arnold, Fontana Ferguson, Haizley Glaspy, Whitley Hufford, Ellie King, Bella Lindsay, Katie Marcotte, Jillian Medlock, Ensley Poling, Lillian Remboldt, Auree Simmons, Sloane Tousignant, Clara Yarkosky
- 3 **Wish Upon A Star** **Rubies PreCompany** **Miss Jenn**
Maggie Agee, Kadence Behrendt, Brylee Campbell, Kinsley Costanzo, Emery Farley, Remington Freeman, Addalynn Frisbie, Harper Green, Evelyn Oldham, Sophie Paat Falcon, Penelope Schrick, Sloane Smart, Marlie Sumada
- 4 **The Bobble Song** **Preschool Combo** **Miss Madelyn**
Sydnee Cooper, Emma Cull, Shiloh Hunt, Alaina Jackson, Emerson McKennon, Parker Neal, Briar Niemuth, Ollie O'Connor, Chloe Otterby, Madyson Parde, Lola Robinson, Milania Vigliaturo, Anneli Wicker
- 5 **Better Place** **Sapphires PreCompany** **Miss Madelyn**
Avery Bild, Lillian Fuemmeler, Brynlee Knipker, Lincoln Krause, Collins Laird, Sophia Lindsay, Carlee Luppes, Kennedy Minter, Brooke Payne, Stella Riley, Aspen Sloop, Arlis Stach
- 6 **Somewhere** **Company 320 Dancers** **Miss Kelsi**
Maddyn Hoyt, Ella Katzer, Addison Neal, Vivienne Patterson, Josie Sumada, Lila Wrisinger
- 7 **JT** **Company 320 Dancers** **Mr. Zen**
Amalianna Civella, Taylor Crossley, Victoria Cuezze, Ainsley Daniels, Jacee Hensley, Rylie Hernandez, Hadley Kelley, Ashlyn Moore, Ava Passantino, Kaleigh Rhoades, Taylor Ross, McKenna Steffen, Sophie Stipanovich, Chayce Turner, Claire Watson, Mackenzie Wheeler, Myla Zeier
- 8 **Greatest Love of All** **Company 320 Dancers** **Miss Andrea & Miss Kelsi**
Tannah Amerson, Kori Bates, Katelyn Brown, Payton Cordt, McKinley Dieker, Emma Elliott, Eleanor Fenwick, Hattie Freeman, Madison Graham, Piper Green, Juliet Guhde, Mckinlie Hass, Charleigh Hunter, Emery Josephson, Nora Klein, Madeline Koch, Merindah Ladenthin, Ardyn Lyngar, Kambralyn Mays, Raelin McGaugh, Nora Mogg, Josie Moyers, Gracie Paat Falcon, Elise Pasieniuk, Emma Roberts, Vera Roumas, Kenzie Schergen, Juliet Scroggin, Memphis Simpson, Maizey Suppes, Parker Walls, Jerrilyn Webb, Kenzi Zoldak
- 9 **Deja Vu** **Company 320 Dancers** **Miss Andrea**
Sophie Davolt, Claire Domeier, Elsie Ganzer, Angelina Gordon, Kayleigh Graaf, Scarlett Guhde, Jillian Jameson, Myah Kopp, Kindall Krogsdale, Sophia Lunt, Zoey Rhoades, Maya Simon, Gretchen Tovar
- 10 **Gitchee Gitchee Goo** **PreK / Kinder Combo** **Miss Madelyn**
Ryli Brooke, Brighton Buckridge, Everly Campbell, Brexlyn DiMartino, Lila Elmore, Collins Fletcher, Collins Haas, Brixlee Manley, Rowan Overly, Mia Polito, Jemma Pruetting, Shaylee Roberts
- 11 **Voulez-Vous** **Company 320 Dancers** **Miss Rylie**
Josie Bringus, Olivia Brown, Annie Carnevale, Harper Christensen, Norah Craven, Magnolia Day, Tinley Farmer, Gianna Hall, Lucy Klein, Maycee Laffey, Ava Lane, Brielle Ussery, Josephine Velasquez, Zoey Wheeler, Macy Zeier
- 12 **BOP** **Hip Hop1st-2nd Grade** **Miss Madelyn**
Karli Amerson, Quinn Bartley, Kadence Behrendt, Harlow Gentry, Haizley Glaspy, Olivia Harmes, Shelby Hulet, Ellie King, Katie Marcotte, Jillian Medlock, Vera Nicholson, Giavanna Polito, Kinsley Rausch, Avery Schlorff, Auree Simmons, Katerina Spellman, Sloane Tousignant
- 13 **Woman's Work** **Company 320 Dancers** **Miss Kelsi**
Lana Besherse, Emery Glennon, Rylie Hernandez, Ashlyn Moore, McKenna Steffen, Sophie Stipanovich, Chayce Turner

- 14 **Cringe** **Company 320 Dancers** **Miss Rylie**
Victoria Cuezze, Ainsley Daniels, Jacee Hensley, Ellie Johnson, Rikki O'Connor, Gracie Parks, Ava Passantino, Kaleigh Rhoades, Taylor Ross, Kamryn Slaughter, Ellie Smith, Claire Watson, Mackenzie Wheeler, Myla Zeier
- 15 **Hit The Road Jack** **Company 320 Dancers** **Miss Amy**
Tannah Amerson, Kori Bates, Katelyn Brown, Payton Cordt, Eleanor Fenwick, Hattie Freeman, Mckinlie Hass, Nora Mogg, Gracie Paat Falcon, Emma Roberts
- 16 **Party Girls** **Company 320 Dancers** **Miss Andrea**
Madison Graham, Juliet Guhde, Emery Josephson, Nora Klein, Raelin McGaugh, Vera Roumas, Juliet Scroggin, Parker Walls, Kenzi Zoldak
- 17 **Ooh La La Spa** **Rubies PreCompany** **Miss Jenn**
Maggie Agee, Kadence Behrendt, Brylee Campbell, Kinsley Costanzo, Emery Farley, Remington Freeman, Addalynn Frisbie, Harper Green, Evelyn Oldham, Sophie Paat Falcon, Penelope Schrick, Sloane Smart, Marlie Sumada
- 18 **Papa Can You Hear Me** **Company 320 Dancers** **Miss Andrea & Miss Kelsi**
Harper Christensen, Tinley Farmer, Piper Green, Aniston Grego, Madeline Koch, Ardyn Lyngar, Josie Moyers, Maizey Suppes, Jerrilyn Webb
- 19 **Tightrope** **Company 320 Dancers** **Miss Kelsi**
Josie Bringus, Charlotte Bryson, Annie Carnevale, Elsie Ganzer, Gianna Hall, Lucy Klein, Maycee Laffey, Ava Lane, Josephine Velasquez, Zoey Wheeler, Macy Zeier
- 20 **Safari** **Company 320 Dancers** **Company Teachers**
Kori Bates, Lucy Bosiljevac, Katelyn Brown, McKinley Dieker, Emma Elliott, Quinn Farmer, Eleanor Fenwick, Hattie Freeman, Madison Graham, Hadley Green, Juliet Guhde, Maddyn Hoyt, Charleigh Hunter, Aria Hutson, Emery Josephson, Ella Katzer, Nora Klein, Alice Kocyon, Merindah Ladenthin, Raelin McGaugh, Nora Mogg, Addison Neal, Gracie Paat Falcon, Vivienne Patterson, Vera Roumas, Kenzie Schergen, Juliet Scroggin, Memphis Simpson, Josie Sumada, Parker Walls, Mia White, Lila Wrisinger, Kenzi Zoldak
- 21 **Senior Ceremony**
Emery Glennon, Rylie Hernandez, Ashlyn Moore, Rikki O'Connor, Gracie Parks, Taylor Ross, McKenna Steffen, Sophie Stipanovich, Chayce Turner, Mackenzie Wheeler
- 22 **Senior Tribute**
- 23 **Party In The USA** **Perf Team 1st-2nd Grade** **Miss Madelyn**
Karli Amerson, Scarlett Arnold, Fontana Ferguson, Haizley Glaspy, Whitley Hufford, Ellie King, Bella Lindsay, Katie Marcotte, Jillian Medlock, Ensley Poling, Lillian Remboldt, Auree Simmons, Sloane Tousignant, Clara Yarkosky
- 24 **Cinema Italiano** **Company 320 Dancers** **Miss Andrea**
Josie Bringus, Harper Christensen, Norah Craven, Magnolia Day, Tinley Farmer, Gianna Hall, Brielle Ussery, Zoey Wheeler, Macy Zeier
- 25 **Spice Up Your Life** **Company 320 Dancers** **Miss Tara**
Tannah Amerson, Kori Bates, Katelyn Brown, Payton Cordt, Eleanor Fenwick, Hattie Freeman, Mckinlie Hass, Nora Mogg, Gracie Paat Falcon, Emma Roberts
- 26 **Just Fine** **Company 320 Dancers** **Kenzie Fischer**
McKinley Dieker, Piper Green, Aniston Grego, Nora Klein, Madeline Koch, Merindah Ladenthin, Ardyn Lyngar, Kambralyn Mays, Josie Moyers, Vera Roumas, Kenzie Schergen, Maizey Suppes, Jerrilyn Webb
- 27 **Vibeology** **Company 320 Dancers** **Miss Andrea**
Lana Besherse, Amalianna Civella, Sophie Davolt, Angelina Gordon, Scarlett Guhde, Jillian Jameson, Myah Kopp, Lydia Lunt, Claire Olson, Britton Reynolds, Zoey Rhoades, Summer Shanks, Maggie Stipanovich, Gretchen Tovar, Brooklyn Wheeler, Delaney Williams

- 28 **Little Bitty Pretty One** **Company 320 Dancers** **Miss Amy**
Lucy Bosiljevac, Quinn Farmer, Hadley Green, Maddyn Hoyt, Aria Hutson, Ella Katzer, Alice Kocyon, Addison Neal, Vivienne Patterson, Josie Sumada, Mia White, Lila Wrisinger
- 29 **Money** **Company 320 Dancers** **Hannah Block**
Taylor Crossley, Victoria Cuezze, Ainsley Daniels, Kayleigh Graaf, Jacee Hensley, Hadley Kelley, Rikki O'Connor, Gracie Parks, Bianca Parscale, Kaleigh Rhoades, Kinley Rockers, Taylor Ross, Claire Watson, Mackenzie Wheeler, Myla Zeier
- 30 **Big Deal** **Rubies PreCompany** **Miss Jenn**
Maggie Agee, Kadence Behrendt, Brylee Campbell, Kinsley Costanzo, Emery Farley, Remington Freeman, Addalynn Frisbie, Harper Green, Evelyn Oldham, Sophie Paat Falcon, Penelope Schrick, Sloane Smart, Marlie Sumada
- 31 **Lover Come Over** **Company 320 Dancers** **Hannah Block**
Lana Besherse, Emery Glennon, Rylie Hernandez, Ashlyn Moore, McKenna Steffen, Sophie Stipanovich, Chayce Turner
- 32 **Something New** **Company 320 Dancers** **Miss Amy**
Emma Elliott, Madison Graham, Juliet Guhde, Charleigh Hunter, Emery Josephson, Raelin McGaugh, Juliet Scroggin, Memphis Simpson, Parker Walls, Kenzi Zoldak
- 33 **Legally Fabulous** **Sapphires PreCompany** **Miss Madelyn**
Avery Bild, Lillian Fuemmeler, Brynlee Knipker, Lincoln Krause, Collins Laird, Sophia Lindsay, Carlee Luppess, Kennedy Minter, Brooke Payne, Stella Riley, Aspen Sloop, Arlis Stach
- 34 **Get Right** **Company 320 Dancers** **Miss Erin**
Bridget Bruening, Sophie Davolt, Kayleigh Graaf, Ellie Johnson, Ella Klein, Kindall Krogsdale, Sophia Lunt, Gracie Parks, Kaleigh Rhoades, Adriana Sanders, Maya Simon, Kamryn Slaughter, Ellie Smith, Mackenzie Wheeler
- 35 **Glamorous Life** **Company 320 Dancers** **Jazelle Torre**
Lana Besherse, Amalianna Civella, Angelina Gordon, Scarlett Guhde, Lydia Lunt, Britton Reynolds, Maggie Stipanovich, Brooklyn Wheeler, Delaney Williams
- 36 **Million Dollar Man** **Company 320 Dancers** **Jazelle Torre**
Emery Glennon, Jacee Hensley, Rylie Hernandez, Ashlyn Moore, McKenna Steffen, Sophie Stipanovich, Chayce Turner
- 37 **It's My Party** **Company 320 Dancers** **Miss Tara**
Lucy Bosiljevac, Quinn Farmer, Hadley Green, Aria Hutson, Ella Katzer, Alice Kocyon, Addison Neal, Mia White
- 38 **Betty Boop** **Company 320 Dancers** **Miss Kelsi**
Tannah Amerson, Kori Bates, Katelyn Brown, Payton Cordt, Emma Elliott, Eleanor Fenwick, Hattie Freeman, Mckinlie Hass, Charleigh Hunter, Raelin McGaugh, Nora Mogg, Gracie Paat Falcon, Elise Pasienuk, Emma Roberts, Memphis Simpson, Kenzi Zoldak
- 39 **Tomorrow** **Company 320 Dancers** **Miss Andrea**
McKinley Dieker, Juliet Guhde, Emery Josephson, Nora Klein, Merindah Ladenthin, Vera Roumas, Kenzie Schergen, Juliet Scroggin, Parker Walls
- 40 **Love Shack** **Sapphires PreCompany** **Miss Madelyn**
Avery Bild, Lillian Fuemmeler, Brynlee Knipker, Lincoln Krause, Collins Laird, Sophia Lindsay, Carlee Luppess, Kennedy Minter, Brooke Payne, Stella Riley, Aspen Sloop, Arlis Stach
- 41 **All By Myself** **Company 320 Dancers** **Miss Andrea & Miss Kelsi**
Bridget Bruening, Amalianna Civella, Taylor Crossley, Victoria Cuezze, Ainsley Daniels, Sophie Davolt, Claire Domeier, Mary Froncek, Emery Glennon, Kayleigh Graaf, Jacee Hensley, Rylie Hernandez, Ellie Johnson, Hadley Kelley, Ella Klein, Kindall Krogsdale, Sophia Lunt, Ashlyn Moore, Rikki O'Connor, Claire Olson, Gracie Parks, Bianca Parscale, Ava Passantino, Kaleigh Rhoades, Kinley Rockers, Taylor Ross, Adriana Sanders, Maya Simon, Kamryn Slaughter, Ellie Smith, McKenna Steffen, Sophie Stipanovich, Gretchen Tovar, Chayce Turner, Claire Watson, Mackenzie Wheeler, Myla Zeier



McKenna Steffen

Liberty North High School

How many years have you been dancing?
16 years!

What's your favorite 320 memory?
I always love Bootcamp every summer; it's so fun to mix outdoor team bonding with rehearsals and training!

What was your favorite 320 routine ever?
"Out of the Woods"

What will you miss most about the studio?
I will miss the rehearsals nights where everyone is downstairs and supporting each other!

What advice would you give to the younger 320 dancers?
Push yourself to step outside of your comfort zone - and don't hold back!

What's your plan after high school?
I plan to attend Kansas State University to study architecture.



Chayce Turner

Liberty North High School

How many years have you been dancing?
I have been dancing for 14 years.

What's your favorite 320 memory?
My favorite 320 memories have been at my most recent senior competitions, because I have felt the love and support from everyone, and I've been soaking up all of my lasts with my team!

What was your favorite 320 routine ever?
My favorite 320 routine ever was "Out of the Woods"

What will you miss most about the studio?
The thing that I will miss most about the studio is the environment, being around the people that love to do the same thing as me, and the people that have supported me for most of my life! It's always been my favorite place to be and will always be home!

What advice would you give to the younger 320 dancers?
Live in the moment, even if the moment is hard or you're looking forward to something else, because everything happens for a reason. Keep an open mind, and don't be too hard on yourself!!

What's your plan after high school?
I will be dancing for the Rock Chalk Dancers at the University of Kansas, and plan to study Marketing or Education!

Rikki O'Connor

Kearney High School

How many years have you been dancing?

I've been dancing 15 years, all with 320!

What's your favorite 320 memory?

One of the most memorable moments would be winning a perfect score with "Marie Antoinette" and getting to see everyone celebrate around us!

What was your favorite 320 routine ever?

I have so many but one my favorite routines to perform would have to be "Money" from this year.

What will you miss most about the studio?

I will miss being at the studio with everyone and performing on the stage so much!

What advice would you give to the younger 320 dancers?

My advice for younger dancers would be, to never give up and always remember to have fun - even when it gets stressful!

What's your plan after high school?

After high school, I plan to study for my undergraduate at UCM, and then attend law school through UMKC to become a children's lawyer!



Gracie Parks

Kearney High School

How many years have you been dancing?

14 Years

What's your favorite 320 memory?

Winning multiple nationals with all my best friends!

What was your favorite 320 routine ever?

"Goddess"

What will you miss most about the studio?

I will miss the days where all the teachers and teammates are cheering super loud for all the dances during late nights at the studio.

What advice would you give to the younger 320 dancers?

It goes by so fast, so take everything in because you'll never get something like this again.

What's your plan after high school?

I plan to attend the University of Arkansas to major in Elementary Education.



Mackenzie Wheeler

Smithville High School

How many years have you been dancing?

12 years

What's your favorite 320 memory?

My first ever 320 class in summer 2022 where I meant all my bestfriends

What was your favorite 320 routine ever?

"Battlefield" or "Surround Sound"

What will you miss most about the studio?

Spending every second with my favorite people .

What advice would you give to the younger 320 dancers?

Never forget why you're dancing, celebrate the little things, and be proud of how far you've come. Cherish every moment as if it will be your last – because one day, it will be the last time you ever step on that stage. 💕

What's your plan after high school?

Attend Maple Woods Community College for general education, then transfer to University of South Florida for Marine Biology.



Emery Glennon

Kearney High School

How many years have you been dancing?

10 years

What's your favorite 320 memory?

Nationals Bootcamp last year!!

What was your favorite 320 routine ever?

"If the Shoe Fits" of course! ☺

What will you miss most about the studio?

Competition days & long rehearsal nights. Watching, dancing beside, and cheering on all my friends. And of course, all my lovely teachers.

What advice would you give to the younger 320 dancers?

Enjoy all the moments and always give your absolute best!

What's your plan after high school?

Attend Kansas State University in the fall on the pre-nursing path!



Taylor Ross

Kearney High School

How many years have you been dancing?

16 years

What's your favorite 320 memory?

My favorite memory is winning Encore for hip-hop last year at Nationals - and spending time at the studio with all of my friends.

What was your favorite 320 routine ever?

"Devil Went Down to Georgia"

What will you miss most about the studio?

I will miss being around my friends every day and competing on stage.

What advice would you give to the younger 320 dancers?

Don't take anything for granted because it moves quick!

What's your plan after high school?

I am going to Northwest Missouri State University to major in Pre-Dental Hygiene, in hopes to become an Orthodontic Assistant!



Rylie Hernandez

Liberty North High School

How many years have you been dancing?

I have been dancing for 15 years.

What's your favorite 320 memory?

My favorite 320 memory was dancing "Lover You Should've Come Over" at KAR 2026 with my friends, and winning 1st place.

What was your favorite 320 routine ever?

My favorite 320 routine ever was "The Moment I Said It"

What advice would you give to the younger 320 dancers?

The advice that I would give to a younger 320 dancer would be give it your all on the stage and to never give up.

What's your plan after high school?

My plan after high school is to attend The University of Missouri - Columbia and study radiology.



Ashlyn Moore

Smithville High School

How many years have you been dancing?

13 years

What's your favorite 320 memory?

Becoming National Champs for hip-hop for the first time with "Like That" and almost falling off the stage when we won!

What was your favorite 320 routine ever?

"Havana" or "Origami"

What will you miss most about the studio?

The bond I have created between my friends and teachers.

What advice would you give to the younger 320 dancers?

Embrace every opportunity, learn the hard trick or the new style, and always remember the joy dance brings to you. It goes by so fast.

What's your plan after high school?

Cosmetology School

Sophie Stipanovich

Liberty North High School

St. Pius X High School

How many years have you been dancing? 16

What's your favorite 320 memory?

My favorite 320 memory is when Sara Albright cried hysterically on our last day of Nationals Bootcamp last summer.

What was your favorite 320 routine ever?

"The Moment I Said It" and "Break a Sweat"

What will you miss most about the studio?

I am going to miss my dance family and teammates the most. It still doesn't feel real that I won't be attending Monday night ballet class or Sunday rehearsals, because that's all I've ever known. I have been raised by some of the most AMAZING women and have been blessed to grow up with the best bonus sisters because of Studio 320!

What advice would you give to the younger 320 dancers?

Take it all in because it goes by WAY too fast. Push yourself and learn the discipline that will carry you throughout the rest of your life. Go the extra mile; practice when no one's watching, dance like you aren't guaranteed a tomorrow, trust in your teachers, watch your teammates, and you will learn more than you could ever imagine. Finally, wear shoes when you turn - because you might break a toe and risk getting yelled at by Miss Kelsi! 🙄

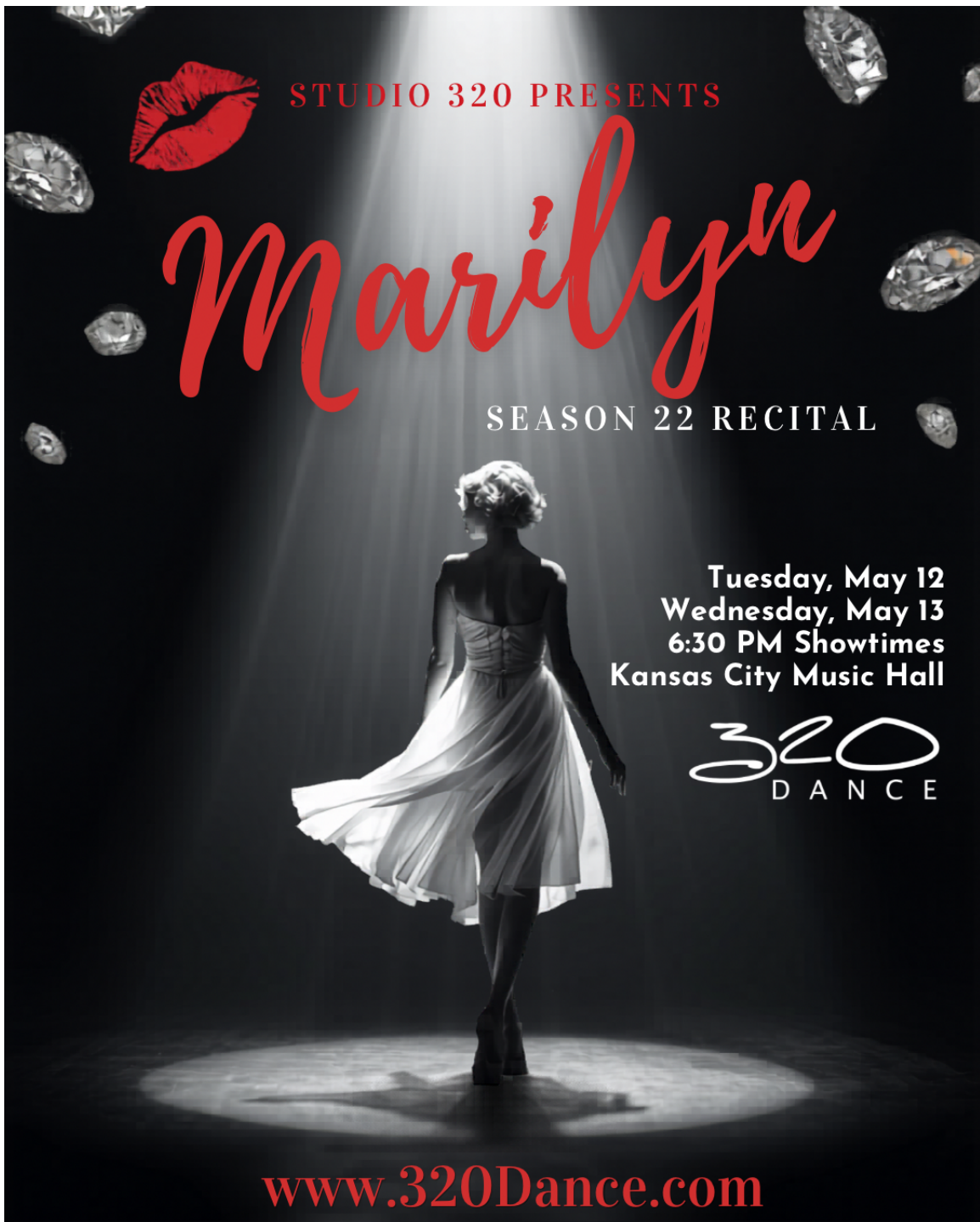
What's your plan after high school?

I plan to attend Mizzou and study business.



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TARA MEINERT

How long have you been at Studio 320?

I opened the studio in the Fall of 2003. We've come a long way!

How did you get started in dance and teaching?

My mom signed me up at the local dance studio "One Little Step" in Kearney, when I was 3 years old. I was hooked from day 1! I started assisting my teacher as a cadet when I was 13. My Dad built me a studio in our basement where I taught "private lessons" to my friends and my sister (whether they liked it or not.) Like many of my own students, I was also a KHS Golden Girl and a Kansas City Chiefs Cheerleader, but my passion was always singing, dancing and theater. After college, I started teaching at my childhood studio again, and then bought the business when my teacher was ready to retire. Studio 320 Dance was born!

What do you do when you aren't teaching at 320?

When I'm not at the studio, I'm dreaming about the studio. I also love to travel, preferably with my husband, Nathan, and my chihuahua, Hammy. My favorite hobby is sitting on a patio with my girlfriends on a warm, sunny day - usually discussing dance.

What's the funniest thing a student has ever said to you?

I like when they ask if Nathan is my Dad. 😊 Dance kids will keep you humble by pointing out your every flaw, but they also give out some of the sweetest compliments.

3 words your students would use to describe you?

Loud, Loving, Late



ANDREA LYNGAR

How long have you been at Studio 320?

22 Years(ish)

How did you get started in dance & teaching?

My mom put me in dance when I was 2.5 years old. I started teaching while I was still in college, when 320 first opened. I loved being a MIZZOU Golden Girl and Chiefs Cheerleader!

What do you do when you aren't teaching at 320?

I have taught elementary school for 15 years at Southview Elementary. My husband, Adam, and I are celebrating 20 years of marriage this year! Our son, Larson, is a freshman. Our daughter, Ardyn, is in 6th grade and a dancer at 320. We love to travel when our busy schedules allow!

What's the funniest thing a student has ever said to you?

Mostly questions or comments about how old I am. 😂

3 words your students would use to describe you?

I'm not sure, but I would guess something about being a perfectionist, detail oriented, or high expectations.



ERIN “STIPO” STIPANOVICH

How long have you been at Studio 320? 19 years

How did you get started in dance & teaching?

I started dancing when I was three and never stopped! My mom put me in a little recreational class at the community center, and I was hooked! I started classes at Creative Arts Academy and danced there until I graduated from high school. I danced on my high school dance team, and later was a Mizzou Golden Girl. I wasn't ready to hang up my pom poms, so I moved on to the NFL as a Chiefs Cheerleader. When I married and had my first baby, I knew teaching was next on my dance journey, and that led to becoming a dance mom! I wouldn't trade a minute of this dance life!

Some of my favorite dance moments include marching in President George W. Bush's inauguration parade, dancing at multiple NCAA basketball tournament games, and cheering for two years at Arrowhead Stadium...but my very favorite dance memories come from watching my own three girls shine on stage.

What do you do when you aren't teaching at 320?

I teach 5th grade at St. James Catholic School—and I'm also the librarian! My husband, Ted, and I have five kids, so when I'm not at school or teaching at the studio, I'm running around like crazy to their activities!

What's the funniest thing a student has ever said to you?

“Miss Tara?” or “Miss Kelsi?” So many cases of mistaken identity!

3 words your students would use to describe you?

I had to ask my toughest students (aka my daughters) to help me with this one...they said positive, kind, and nurturing.



KELSI HOYT

How long have you been at Studio 320?

This is my 13th season!

How did you get started in dance & teaching?

I began dancing at the age of 2! My mom saw an ad in the local newspaper that a dance studio was opening up nearby. After that, the rest is history! I danced and competed all the way through childhood and high school and went on to pursue a BFA in Dance from Stephens College in Columbia, MO. After graduation, my now husband and I moved to the Kansas City area and I was looking for a teaching gig and I landed at Studio 320. I had no idea that my time here would become what it is now! I am forever grateful for the family, friends, and relationships I've gained!

What do you do when you aren't teaching at 320?

First and foremost, I'm a wife to Matt, mom to Maddyn (7) and Kamden (2), and dog mom to two black labs, Houston and Hazel! When I'm not at the studio (which is a lot) you can catch me on the mic, taking class, or training fellow teachers at Pure Barre Liberty!

3 words your students would use to describe you?

Intense, Passionate, and hopefully FUN (sometimes)



LINDSAY (KOCYON) LINDSAY

How long have you been at Studio 320?

Since 2021, I think. "Audrey" Production year was my first season.

How did you get started in dance & teaching?

I began dancing at Creative Arts Academy at age 3. I started competing at Priscilla & Dana's when I was 8 until I graduated. When I was 14, I was asked if I wanted to start assisting, and at 18 I started teaching classes on my own. I taught at studios in Clinton and Warrensburg during college, then back to CAA until it closed, and I came to 320!

What do you do when you aren't teaching at 320?

I am an office manager at a mental health company. I work with caseworkers and therapists. I have an eight-year-old daughter (Alice) who is on Company, a 7-month-old son (Elias), a pet cat (Figaro) and of course, my husband (Andrew!)

What's the funniest thing a student has ever said to you?

If I was named after a Lindy!

3 words your students would use to describe you?

Kind, Compassionate, a Detailed Routine Cleaner



TESSA MINDER MCCOY

How long have you been at Studio 320?

I've been at the studio for 18 years. I started dancing in 4th grade for recital, went to competitive and eventually came back and taught. I've done professional dancing in theatre and company. I also teach Pilates and take dance classes myself.

What do you do when you aren't teaching at 320?

I've been married to my husband Connor for 3 years and we have twin girls Holland and Adaline. One in heaven, one hopefully to be a future dancer. We enjoy a lot of time at the lake.

What's the funniest thing a student has ever said to you?

Funniest thing I can remember was teaching hip hop class when I was in high school to the youngest competitive girls (Lana was 5!) ☺

3 words your students would use to describe you?

Tara says: Tough, Real, Funny



RYLIE TURNER

How long have you been at Studio 320?

I have been teaching for 5 years, but I started dancing at 320 in 6th grade!

How did you get started in dance & teaching?

I started dance like any other little girl, my mom put me in tiny twos dance class! I started cadeting dance classes in high school, and I loved being able to help other girls accomplish their goals and watch them succeed.

What do you do when you aren't teaching at 320?

When I'm not at 320, I coach the Liberty North varsity dance team. I also am an instructor at Pure Barre, both in Liberty and Zona Rosa.

What's the funniest thing a student has ever said to you?

"Miss Rylie, I wrote a story about your cat getting stuck in the car" - Maddyn H

3 words your students would use to describe you?

Funny
Encouraging
Kind



AVA YARC O'CONNOR

How long have you been at Studio 320?

I have been teaching at 320 for 2 years! I am also a 320 alum and danced for 11 years at 320.

How did you get started in dance & teaching?

I have been dancing my whole life and always knew I wanted to be a dance teacher. I ran into Tara at a competition a few years back and told her I would love to teach at 320 if the opportunity arose. The following season, I started teaching at 320!

What do you do when you aren't teaching at 320?

Outside of teaching dance, I work at Kearney Junior High School as a paraprofessional. Outside of work, I spend most of my time with my husband and my family. A few of my hobbies include working out, diamond painting, and shopping!

What's the funniest thing a student has ever said to you?

I can't think of a funny thing a student has said to me, but I have a few students who love to take funny pictures of me and send them to all of their friends!!!

3 words your students would use to describe you?

Goofy, loving, and encouraging.



MADELYN ZIMMERMAN

How long have you been at Studio 320?

I've been part of the Studio 320 family for 18 years and have spent the last 4 years teaching!

How did you get started in dance & teaching?

My mom signed me up for dance when I was just 2 years old, and by the time I was 10, I began cadeting. A few years later, Tara asked me to teach a Musical Theater class — and the rest is history!

What do you do when you aren't teaching at 320?

When I'm not teaching dance, I'm teaching Pre-K or spending time with my family and my chihuahua, Lulu.

What's the funniest thing a student has ever said to you?

The funniest thing that happened this year was having a little cousin of one of our company dancers insist on being called by her cousin's name at dance class!

3 words your students would use to describe you?

If you asked my students to describe me in three words, they'd say I'm compassionate, energetic, and motivating!



SLOAN MULLER

How long have you been at Studio 320?

I taught 320 Pop-Up classes in college, but this is my first year officially teaching on faculty!

How did you get started in dance & teaching?

I am a 320 alumni and have danced here since I was 8. I graduated in 2021 and danced on the Missouri State Sugar Bears dance team. I moved back to KC this year when I started teaching!

What do you do when you aren't teaching at 320?

I live with my boyfriend in KC, I'm always visiting my family up here, and I am starting my rookie year as a Kansas City Chiefs Cheerleader!

What's the funniest thing a student has ever said to you?

Guessing my age! I've gotten anything from 16 to 1000 years old!

3 words your students would use to describe you?

Inspiring
Relatable
Flexible (they said both ways)

JENN LUNT

How long have you been at Studio 320?

I've been teaching here for 9 years.

How did you get started in dance & teaching?

I started dancing when I was 12 and I haven't stopped. I danced all through high school and on my college dance team. UCM Mulekicker here! A couple of my favorites in college were doing the half time shows at Arrowhead and and traveling with the football team for playoffs.

I started teaching when my girls were little. I convinced Tara to let me teach and I've LOVED every minute of it since!

What do you do when you aren't teaching at 320?

My full-time job is cutting hair.

Outside of work I love to cheer my kids on at all their sports and activities. My oldest is the starting Tight End for Missouri Baptist University so we spent this past fall traveling all over the Midwest to cheer for him and his team. My husband became a master tailgater and had students lining up to get some of his food.

When life is a little slow, I LOVE to make costumes for our sweet dancers that compete. So fun to see a sketch or idea come to life and hit the stage!

What's the funniest thing a student has ever said to you?

I better not say because I don't want to embarrass anyone but just know your kids tell me EVERYTHING.

3 words your students would use to describe you?

I hope they say I'm Kind, Patient and FUN!



GINA ZEIER

How long have you been at Studio 320?

I have been teaching at Studio 320 for 10 years.

How did you get started in dance and teaching?

I started dancing as a child and danced in high school. I started at the studio when my youngest daughter was 2 and they needed a tiny two/pre-school teacher. My favorite part is being with my 320 family.

What do you do when you aren't teaching at 320?

I am an Ocean and Air Import and Export Specialist by day. I like to be with my family and friends in my free time.

What's the funniest thing a student has ever said to you?

Last year at recital, a dancer said that I was younger than Miss Rylie and Miss Ava!

3 words your students would use to describe you?

Nice, fun and "Myla and Macy's mom"



AMY JOSEPHSON

How long have you been at Studio 320?

8 years total, 5 years teaching

How did you get started in dance & teaching?

I grew up dancing and competing at a studio here in Kansas City. Even as a teen, I loved assisting younger classes and helping with choreography. After college, I went back often to visit my childhood dance studio while my nieces were competing there. My former teacher asked if I would be interested in teaching some summer classes which was the starting point of over 15 fantastic years teaching there. When she retired and closed her studio doors in 2018, our search for a new dance home lead us to Studio 320. I've loved being a part of this amazing dance family for the last 8 years.

What do you do when you aren't teaching at 320?

Outside of the studio, my husband Hans and I are parents to three wonderful kiddos and we try to soak up as much family time between everyone's busy schedules as possible. I am also a full-time teacher by day, finishing my 19th year teaching at Pembroke Hill School.

What's the funniest thing a student has ever said to you?

"Why does tap have to be so noisy?"

3 words your students would use to describe you? Compassionate, Encouraging/Motivating, Fair



EVA BARKER

How long have you been at Studio 320?

I danced at 320 for twelve years and I've been teaching for two years.

How did you get started in dance & teaching?

I started dance when I was 6-years-old and I completely fell in love with it. I started teaching my senior year of high school. One of my favorite teaching moments was watching my kids perform at recital my first year of teaching. It was so amazing watching them perform something we worked on for so long and made me so happy.

What do you do when you aren't teaching at 320?

I am a full-time student at Metropolitan Community College studying Pre-Pharmacy. I also work at Children's Mercy Hospital as a part-time Pharmacy Technician. When I'm not working or dancing, I love boating, shopping, riding horses, and hanging out with my friends and family.

What's the funniest thing a student has ever said to you?

"You said 'one more time' 10 times ago!"

3 words your students would use to describe you?

Energetic, Supportive, and Passionate





ZEN NGUYEN

How long have you been at Studio 320?

I have been with Studio 320 since June 2017

How did you get started in dance & teaching?

I started dancing in 2009 in Vietnam (my freshman year of high school). I started by learning from street dancers and watching youtube videos from American dancers. Those were the days when you put on a youtube video, went to eat dinner, came back, and the video had fully loaded so you could start watching without it buffering lol. Then I started my dance crew with a few friends, which is now one of the biggest dance crews in Vietnam. Then I came to the U.S. in 2013, joined the dance scene here in Kansas City, got to train with different dancers around the city. I'm also a street dancer so I competed in many competitions and battles, representing KC. Since my background is also choreography, I started to teach a few kids classes. Then one day, Tara reached out to me to come do a guest class at 320, that was when it all started.

My favorite experience: Since I came to the U.S. knowing nobody and not speaking English well. Dance was the bridge connecting me to everyone. Dance truly was the most important thing that created the life I have today, the people that I met, all the beautiful experiences that I've had, are all because of dance.

What do you do when you aren't teaching at 320?

Outside of teaching dance, I'm currently pursuing my career as a videographer, creative director, and entrepreneur specializing in cinematic storytelling and content creation, helping brands and individuals bring their stories to life through creative media. I also travel back to Vietnam when I have a chance to visit my family who still lives there.

What's the funniest thing a student has ever said to you?

I don't know, I feel like they say something funny every week (lol). They always call me funny names like, Zennifer, Zenny McPenny, etc. I just love that all the kids feel comfortable around me, so they always make fun of me.

3 words your students would use to describe you?

3 words they would use to describe me: Creative, Fun, Swag

