

GOLD GALA June 10, 2023 12:30pm







dear creo families,

To dance is to experience a miracle, a phenomenon, and a wonder. Dance is the convergence of art and science, creating a unique moment in time that can never be replicated exactly more than once. Unlike any other art form, musicality, creativity, motion, agility, strength, and spirit seamlessly blend to bring forth what you witness on stage. Whether it's your dancer's first or last performance on our CREO stage, take note of the exceptional creation unfolding before your eyes. Your dancer was intentionally brought into existence by a God of Wonders for this extraordinary day of dance.

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WONDER: GOLD GALA

GONNA MAKE YOU SWEAT ~ Tap Int/Adv

Marin Jackson, Nasiyah Powell, Maddie Przybilla, Kenley Trundle, Betsy Velgersdyk

TRIVENI ~ Ballet/Contemporary Level 3

Janna Ali, Naomi Anderson, Victoria Cedeno Ozuna, Sandrine DeYoung, Lia Hakobyan, Lily Hermann, Jacqueline Riley, Mayson Roitenberg, Shivani Swanson, Alana Weiers

LET'S WORK ~ Pre-TEAM

Layne Barton, Vanessa Blumenthal, Maddie Brama, Libby Donohue, Abigail Hoeft, McLean Roeder, Morgan Stiefel, Kenley Trundle

GOD OF WONDERS ~ Footprints

Emma Collins, Natalie Gehlen, Lily Hermann, Isabella Huss, Julia Huss, Marin Jackson, Carsyn Jewell, Nasiyah Powell, Jacqueline Riley, Emma Vega, Alana Weiers

SUMMERTIME SADNESS ~ Ballet/Contemporary Grade 6+

Emma Bliss, Lyla Boardman, Milly Brodni, Victoria Cedeno Ozuna, Megan Cesafsky, Jayla Conrad, Ellen Dunlavy, Sadie Gurule, Elle McFarland, Rose Morse, Ella Rosewarne, Ruby Saindon, Ava Strycharske, Eleina Weyenberg

EL DORADO ~ Jazz Level 4 Year 2

Maddie Brama, Caroline De Smet, Miah Liska, Gigi Millen, Sammi Nelsen, Olivia Recker, Sophia Roitenberg, Morgan Stiefel, Kenley Trundle

THE PARTING GLASS ~ Ballet/Contemporary Grade 6+ Int/Adv (4P)

Audrey Baeb, Whitney Colden, Liliana Mathews, Penny Pang, Liliana Paravecino, Daniela Parrish, Avery Recker, Alma Rolfe, Rikka Thein, Betsy Velgersdyk

WHO THAT IS? ~ Hip-Hop Invitational

Ruby Beck, Harper Burke, Mia Cebulla, Victoria Cedeno Ozuna, Lily Hermann, Harper Kurek, Elle McFarland, Mayson Roitenberg, Ella Rosewarne **Understudies:** Mia Cebulla, Harper Kurek

REVELATION SONG ~ Faith-Based Ballet Grade 6+

Naomi Anderson, Evelyn Blomgren, Norah Blomgren, Audrey Campbell, Lilyana Clemonds, Lydia Gilmore, Gracie Heddle, Isabella Huss, Olivia Loe, Mazzy Lother, Abigail Mitterholzer, Rose Morse, Fiona Rohde, Anna Underwood, Evelyne Walburg, Gloria Wolfe

FAVORITE THINGS ~ Contemporary Level 4 Year 2

Maddie Brama, Caroline De Smet, Miah Liska, Gigi Millen, Sammi Nelsen, Olivia Recker, Sophia Roitenberg, Morgan Stiefel, Kenley Trundle

KING OF NEW YORK ~ Musical Theater/Jazz Grade 6+

Megan Cesafsky, Jack Errington, Gabriella Koopman, Eleina Weyenberg

AMARENA ~ Ballet Level 4 Year 1

Lydia Chu, Kate Evans, Lily Hermann, Isabella Huss, Allie Huston, Marin Jackson, Carsyn Jewell, Nasiyah Powell, Maddie Przybilla, Mia Tripodi, Madelyn Waslif

-INTERMISSION-

AND STILL THEY MOVE ~ Modern Grade 6+

Maddie Brama, Whitney Colden, Libby Donohue, Lucy Hermann, Lauren Presteen, Maddie Przybilla, Lulu Sands, Morgan Stiefel, Meara Whittier, Violet Wilson

BABY I'M A STAR ~ Jazz Level 3

Naomi Anderson, Emma Collins, Julia Huss, Mayson Roitenberg

MY WAY ~ Senior Solo

Brooke McKevitt

SYMPHONY IN F MAJOR ~ CREO Classical Ballet Pathway

Lydia Chu, Lily Hermann, Allie Huston, Marin Jackson, Carsyn Jewell, Valerie Jones, Gigi Millen, Nasiyah Powell, Mia Tripodi, Madelyn Waslif

GRATITUDE ~ Roots

Vanessa Blumenthal, Caroline De Smet, Libby Donohue, Molly Gammill, Kinley Greer, Scottlynn Greer, Lucy Hermann, Peyton Jewell, Kenley Trundle, Meara Whittier, Violet Wilson

S'WONDERFUL ~ Ballet Level 3

Janna Ali, Emma Collins, Sandrine DeYoung, Sophia Elliott, Julia Huss, Jacqueline Riley, Alana Weiers

ONE ~ Jazz Level 4 Year 1

Lyrida Chu, Kate Evans, Lily Hermann, Marin Jackson, Carsyn Jewell, Liliana Paravecino, Nasiyah Powell, Maddie Przybilla, Madelyn Waslif

FARANDOLE ~ Ballet Level 4 Year 2

Addie Beam, Maddie Brama, Ellie Brandt, Caroline De Smet, Miah Liska, Gigi Millen, Sammi Nelsen, Olivia Recker, Sophia Roitenberg, Morgan Stiefel, Kenley Trundle

LIKE A BOSS ~ Jazz Grade 6+ Int/Adv (4P)

Audrey Baeb, Emma Bliss, Whitney Colden, Kinley Greer, Liliana Mathews, Penny Pang, Avery Recker, Jacqueline Riley, Ella Rosewarne, Rikka Thein, Betsy Velgersdyk

ON, NOW, AND THEN ~ Contemporary Level 4 Year 1

Lydia Chu, Kate Evans, Lily Hermann, Isabella Huss, Marin Jackson, Carsyn Jewell, Nasiyah Powell, Maddie Przybilla, Madelyn Waslif

CONCERTO FOR TWO VIOLINS ~ Pointe Beq

Addie Beam, Autumn DeLong, Caroline De Smet, Molly Gammill, Lucy Hermann, Molly Hippen, Peyton Jewell, Miah Liska, Sammi Nelson, Kenley Trundle, Fina Wagner, Meara Whittier, Avary Widmark, Violet Wilson, Nathalee Wold

NO EXCUSES ~ Hip-Hop Grade 6+

Audrey Baeb, Evelyn Becker, Harper Burke, Megan Cesafsky, Whitney Colden, Maria Constantin, Sadie Gurule, Feven Harder, Cecilia Leuthner, Katelyn Matheson, Madalyn Pokorny, Jacqueline Riley, Shivani Swanson, Rikka Thein, Betsy Velgersdyk

SINGING IN THE RAIN ~ Tap Int

Mia Cebulla, Emma Collins, Lily Hermann, Julia Huss

YOU MAKE MY DREAMS COME TRUE ~ Gold/Diamond Family Dance

Ainsley Allen, Casey Allen, Lucia Becerra, Carlos Becerra, Addie Beck, Dan Beck, Ruby Beck, Skylar Christiansen, Blair Christiansen, Jen Chu, Lydia Chu, Clare Danz, Bob Danz, Caroline De Smet, Libby Donohue, Brian Donohue, Sophia Elliott, Kinley Greer, Matt Greer, Scottlynn Greer, Jodie Greer, Lily Hermann, Luke Hermann, Abigail Hoeft, Steve Hoeft, Sophia Hillis, John Hillis, Julia Huss, John Huss, Denise Koopmeiners, Brooke McKevitt, K-Lynn McKevitt, Josie Moen, Selmer Moen, Sammi Nelsen, Karl Nelsen, Morgan Stiefel, Jason Stiefel, Kenley Trundle, Tristan Trundle

WONDER ~ GOLD GALA FINALE

awards

5	YEARS

Abigail Berg Victoria Holte Kate Josephson Ella Rosewarne

Megan Cesafsky Julia Huss Olivia Kjolhaug Betsy Velgersdyk Megan Chasse Marin Jackson Harper Kurek Juli Velgersdyk Autumn Delong Eva Jenkins Quinnlynn Olseth Meara Whittier Lily Hermann Quinn Johnson Elyse Parks

10 YEARS

Ainsley Allen Liliana Paravecino Lucia Becerra Lula Sands Skylar Christiansen Morgan Stiefel Sophia Millen

Sammi Nelsen

15 YEARS

Norah Chu

Sophia Hillis

Josie Moen

Ella Winter

5 YEAR FAMILY

Dan Beck

Blair Christiansen

Brian Donohue

Steve Hoeft

Selmer Moen

10 YEAR FAMILY

Carlos Becerra

Matt Green



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ADDIE BECK

Plans for Next Year: Continuing my dance training with a local professional dance company. Attending a ten week Bible college in Greece and preparing for a Dance BFA and Nutrition minor in college.

Favorite CREO Memory: The joy and excitement leading up to a big show and the feeling of completion after performing. I especially enjoy memories in the dressing room and the ways we have grown in uplifting and encouraging one another.

Advice For Younger Dancers: Don't hold back with your movement. Keep growing, learning and practicing. Be confident in your gifts and talents. You were made for a purpose, on purpose!



SERENITY BOWNIK

Plan for Next Year: Luther College Vocal Performance Major

Favorite CREO Memory: The Christmas party. It was so much fun to be able to get to know more dancers from other classes and spend a day celebrating!

Advice For Younger Dancers: The most important lesson I learned at CREO was to simply be open to trying new things; you'll never be able to grow if you don't go for it!



SOPHIA HILLIS

Plans for Next Year: University of Minnesota, College of Science and Engineering: Physics Major

Favorite CREO Memory: Rehearsals for Tales & Tails of Folks & Fairies and Nativity and attending
Project Dance New York City

Advice For Younger Dancers: Push yourself to take any opportunity and stay positive:)



NATALIE MADDALENA

Plans for next year: Montana State University: Business/Finance Major

Favorite CREO Memory: Bonding with the Level 6 team at the beginning of the year. Although we all knew each other well, I felt as if it brought us closer and we made many unforgettable memories.

Advice For Younger Dancers: One piece of advice I would give younger dancers at CREO is to not compare yourself to other dancers. I had trouble with this growing up, but as I got older I started to realized we are all different and unique. Enjoying dance isnot about who is the better dancer, but about how you dance together and inspire each other.



BROOKE MCKEVITT

Plans for Next Year: Ballet Magnificat Trainee Program

Favorite CREO Memory: Spending time backstage with everyone during dress rehearsals, recitals, Cathedral Dance Festival, and other performances.

Advice For Younger Dancers: Don't be too hard on yourself in class. Just keep trying if it doesn't work out the first time.



JOSIE MOEN

Plans for Next Year: University of Kansas: Biology Major, Pre-Dental Track

Favorite CREO Memory: Doing *Tales and Tails of Folks and Fairies* for many years and experiencing different characters.

Advice For Younger Dancers: Be open to experimenting with movement in class and when practicing on your own. All styles are beneficial for your skill growth. But above all, the friendships and connections you make at CREO will last forever.



CREO SUMMER DANCE!













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