TION GASTON

Jazz

Tion Gaston has been dancing for 11 years, starting dance when he was just 7 years old! He is currently a dancer at Miss Donna's School of Dancing in Charlotte, NC. Tion teaches master classes for many different studios in North Carolina and is currently the reigning Mr. World Dance with Starpower Talent. Right now, Tion is the main competition instructor at Jordan's Dance Studio, primarily working with Jazz, Lyrical, and Contemporary dancers. This fall he plans to attend Point Park University in Pittsburg, PA and can't wait to see what the future has in store!



CARA MCMAHON





Cara McMahon started dancing when she was 2 years old and joined the CDP company at age 7. Growing up, she danced on her high school's dance team and worked as a CDP teacher assistant. Now, Cara attends the University of North Carolina at Charlotte, where she studies Dance Education. She is a member of the UNC Charlotte dance team and recently competed at NDA Collegiate Nationals. In her spare time, Cara coaches a dance team at a local elementary school. Her goal is to one day open her own dance studio. She can't wait to share this passion with her students!

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DANCE CONVENTION 2017

IN HOUSE IN HOUSE:

Several of our Senior Company members were selected for the unique opportunity to teach and host their very own convention here at CDP. These students have been participating in a program of intense study over several months with Jessica McMillan -- focusing strictly on developing skills as a dance teacher and choreographer. This program is meant to give our students an opportunity to explore different venues of continuing dance as a career, to challenge our dancers artistically, and to further harvest creativity and growth within our studio as individuals, and as a team. Many of our past IHIH instructors have gone on to teach master classes and choreograph for studios around the state. We are excited to be celebrating the 6th anniversary of this event!

Attendees will take FIVE different dance classes, from our CDP staff and Master Class Instructors, Tion Gaston and Cara McMahon! This convention is the perfect opportunity to learn new dances, practice performance, and perfect your audition skills (attending dancers will have the opportunity to receive scholarships to next year's convention and more)! You don't want to miss this event!

May 21st - 1:30pm-6:30pm

Cost \$60 — This Fee Includes:

FIVE dance classes (including class with master teachers Tion Gaston and Cara McMahon)

IHIH Apparel (each dancer will receive an exclusive 2017 IHIH tank)

SCHOLARSHIP Opportunity: Scholarships to future events will be awarded to outstanding performers

REGISTER: Email cdpIHIHconvention@gmail.com

Kaity Ellis - Contemporary

Kaity Ellis has been dancing since she was one, mimicking the choreography from her favorite TV show, Barney and friends! She is currently a senior at Green Hope HS and a member of the dance team. She will be attending Hollins University in the fall to major in dance, and plans to travel and audition for dancing roles in her spare time. She hopes to become a professional dancer traveling with a company, spreading her love for dance to people all over the country.



Michaela Anglin - Lyrical

Michaela Anglin has been dancing at CDP since she was 3 years old and joined the CDP company in 2007. She was captain of the Green Hope dance team this season and is currently a teacher at CDP! Michaela plans to continue her passion for dance at Appalachian State University and on through the rest of her life. Starting as an attendee and assistant for IHIH, she is very excited to encourage and inspire the love of dance as teacher this year!

Olivia Lyens and Abi Wiggins - Musical Theater

Olivia Lyens has been dancing at CDP since she was 3 years old and joined the CDP company when she was 9. She loves and values all styles of dance, but can't wait to share her joy for Musical Theater with our students! She is currently a senior at an arts based high school, and is both a dancer and choreographer for her school's company. Olivia volunteers as a dance instructor at local non-profit, The Carying Place and is currently a teacher assistant at CDP.





Abi Wiggins has been dancing for 15 years and has been a part of the CDP Senior Company for two. She has trained in multiple genres of dance throughout her dance career, and has had the privilege to choreograph several routines for studios in the area. Abi is also been involved with the Fuquay-Varina HS Drama Department, acting as the Dance Captain and Assistant Choreographer for several musicals including, "Legally Blonde the Musical" and "High School Musical". Abi hopes to continue to teach other dancers in the future and dreams to one day be an inspiring choreographer in the dance industry.

CONVENTION SCHEDULE

	1:15-1:30	1:30-1:45	1:45-2:35	2:35-3:25	3:25-4:15	4:15-4:30	4:30-5:20	5:20-6:10	6:10-6:30
Ages 6-9	Registration	Warm Up: Intro	Musical Theater	Contemporary	Jazz	BREAK	Lyrical	Нір Нор	Awards
Ages 10-13	Registration	Warm Up: Intro	Contemporary	Нір Нор	Lyrical	BREAK	Jazz	Musical Theater	Awards
Ages 14 and Up	Registration	Warm Up: Intro	Нір Нор	Lyrical	Musical Theater	BREAK	Contemporary	Jazz	Awards