



Summer Slam's Incredible Teaching Staff

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Lauralyn Kofford – Camp Director/Instructor



- Well known award winning choreographer and dance instructor.
- 20+ yrs. Training and professional experience in all styles of dance from all across the nation working with the very best in the industry!!
- Dance scholarship recipient to Brigham Young University where she was a member of the acclaimed “Cougarette” Dance Team for 2 yrs. and a BYU cheerleader/songleader for 3yrs.
- Bachelor of Science Degree in Dance Education with a minor in Health & Fitness from BYU.
- 10 yrs. High School Dance Teacher/Educator/Coach - served as the Dance Department Chair, Dance Company Director, and Drill Team Coach.
- Choreographer for the “*Stadium of Fire*” show, the “*Miss Rodeo America*” Pageant, the 2002 *Winter Olympic Games Opening and Closing Ceremonies in SLC*, *Commercial Advertisement choreography*, *Bowl game halftimes shows*, and many *National Championship Dance/Drill Team, Studio, and Solo competition routines*.
- Event Coordinator for Dance America – including events such as Summer Slam Dance Camps, “Rap It Up” hip hop workshop, and Dance America Competitions.
- Full-time staff member for BDT Drill Team Training Camps.
- Co-Director for the “Utah Studio Solo Championship” and the “Miss Drill Utah Pageant.”
- Board of Directors member for the “Utah Dance Judges Association”
- Certified State and National dance adjudicator for 18+ yrs.
- Group Fitness Instructor for Golds Gym - expert in power pump, kickboxing, step aerobics, dance cardio, zumba, and Silver Sneakers classes.

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Cicily Gibbs Oldham - Instructor



- Trained in Jazz, Hip Hop, Ballet, and Pointe.
- 4 yr. member of the National Champion Dance Team, "The Cougarettes" at BYU
- Dance Captain of the BYU “Cougarettes” for 2 years.
- Choreographer for various HS, College, and University Dance Team competition routines.
- Dance teacher as well as choreographer throughout Utah, Idaho, and Washington – 15+ yrs.
- Coach for the award winning Utah State Champion Bingham High “Minerettes” Drill Team – 3 yrs.
- Instructor for Summer Slam Dance Camps and Precision Dance Camps.



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Shannon Vance – Instructor

- Masters of Fine Arts in Modern Dance from the University of Utah
- Guest choreographer for Nicholas Leichter’s “Free the Angels” featured in the Uof U’s Performing Dance Co. spring showcase.
- Graduate Utah Teaching Assistant under the U of U dance department for the 2009-2010 academic school year.
- Dance Teacher for Salt Lake Community College.
- Director and Teacher for the Mountain View High dance program teaching modern, ballroom, aerobics, and directing the HS Dance Company. While at Mountain View two of her works, “How Many Does it Take to Tango” and “Protecting Ophelia” received top honors at the 2006 Utah Shakespeare Festival.
- Choreographer for musicals such as *Little Mary Sunshine*, *Beauty and the Beast*, and *Les Miserables*.
- B.A. in Dance Education from BYU where she toured with the Ballroom Dance Company and was a member of BYU’s “*Dancensemble*”.
- Diverse training and expertise in jazz, lyrical, ballet, precision, hip-hop, character, and dance twirl, and ballroom.
- Performer in the annual Mormon Tabernacle Choir Christmas Concert, the 2002 Olympic Opening Ceremonies, and was a top-five finalist at the Miss Dance Drill USA pageant, 1998.
- Presently teaching/choreographing for various dance studios and programs including Emotion Dance, DF Latin Dance Studio, The Dance Company, and Youth City Art Ways.
- Dance Instructor for Southern Utah University’s Dance Department 2010-2012.
- Currently “free-lance” choreographer, teacher- master classes, traveling



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Tiffany Lovell Patten – Instructor

- 15+yrs. Training in all areas of dance.
- Performer on ‘Utah Academy Dance Studios’ Junior and Senior Companies where she has worked with professionals such as Kari Kholms, Peter Christie, and Dave Carter.
- Scholarship recipient from L. A. Underground and L. A. Dance Magic conventions.
- National Performer of the Year for L.A. Underground and L.A. Dance Magic.
- Scholarship recipient to train at the ‘Performing Arts Center’ in Los Angeles where she had intensive training in Jazz, Ballet, Modern, Tap, Hip- Hop, Broadway, Acting and Voice – including special training with teachers such as Joseph Malone, Marguerite Derricks, Mia Michaels, Wade Robson, etc.... She also trained at the Edge Performing Arts Center and Millennium Studios while in L.A.
- Performer/Dancer/Artist in commercial, television, video and stage.
- Dance Teacher at various studios throughout Utah.
- Instructor for Summer Slam Dance Camp.
- Assistant Instructor for “Rap it Up” hip hop workshop.
- Guest teacher for Gold’s Gym, BDT Drill camps, private studios, etc...
- Choreographer for studio, drill team, solo, and college dance teams.



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Brittany Max Petersen – Instructor

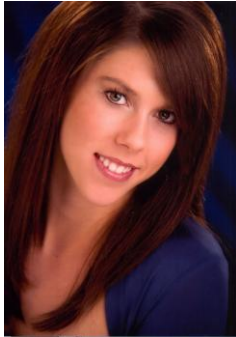
- 10+yrs. Training in Utah, California and Florida – experience and background in hip hop, ballet, lyrical, jazz, contemporary and modern dance.
- Member of the Regional, State and National HS Champion Drill Team
- Member of the Timpview Dance Company.
- 2 yr. member of the National winning UVSC dance team.
- Spirit leader for the 2002 Olympic Games
- Teacher for the NDA (National Dance Alliance) traveling across the nation.
- Professional dancer for the Rattlers indoor Arena Football team for one year, and the Utah Blitz soccer team for 2 years.
- Professional dancer with Evolutions Dance Company based out of Utah – 2 yrs. training with the very best professionals from across the nation.
- 2 yrs. Special training in Funk and Hip Hop with Rick Robinson - Center Stage Performing Arts.
- Teacher and choreographer at numerous studios.
- Currently living in San Diego, CA where she has been dancing with Kruciaal Element on their hip hop crew and jazz team.
- Special Invitation to perform at the Gaslamp Quarter's Monster Bash and Mardi Gras Celebrations.
- Summer Slam Dance Camp Instructor.
- Assistant Instructor for “Rap It Up” hip hop workshop.



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Melissa Ross – Instructor

- 18+ yrs. Teaching jazz, hip hop and technique classes throughout the United States.
- Professional choreographer for Universities, State and Community Colleges, High Schools and Private Studios, as well as dance numbers performed in stadiums such as Kansas City Chiefs, St. Louis Rams, and the once-known L.A. Raiders.
- Member of the nationally acclaimed “Golden Girls” at University of Missouri in Columbia.
- Bachelors Degree in Child/Family Studies and Dance from the University of Missouri.
- Trained in L.A., Missouri, and Utah.
- Dance adjudicator in the western United States for regional and national competitions.
- Summer Slam Dance Camp Instructor.



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Natalie Bills Francis – Instructor

- 20 yrs. Dance training - born and raised in the dance studio - Hot Shots Dance Studio in Pleasant Grove, UT.
- Teacher since the age of 15yrs. old specializing in jazz, lyrical, ballet, tap, hip-hop, and tumbling.
- Winner of the “Utah Performer of the Year” award in 2001.
- Recipient of multiple scholarships from NYCDA, Dance Utah, LA Dance Magic, Odyssey, Austin Ballet, and Dance Fever Utah.
- Member of the Orchesis Dance Co. at Pleasant Grove High School where she choreographed multiple routines and served as president during her senior year.
- Member of the UVSC Dance Team for 1 year.
- 3 yr. member of Rick Robinson’s Origins/Vibe professional company where she performed in the Bart Rockett Variety show in Branson Missouri.
- Dance adjudicator for various dance competitions around the U.S.
- Currently teaching and choreographing for Hot Shots Dance Studio where her work has won many awards including best choreography, best costume, most creative and “best of show” awards at conventions and competitions over the years.
- Featured dancer in High School Musical 3.



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Jerra Kofford – Instructor

- 12+ yrs. training and experience in jazz, contemporary, lyrical, hip hop, musical theater, ballet, and pointe - Center Stage of Performing Arts in Orem, UT.
- Senior Co. member at Center Stage for 4 yrs. – winning national and regional awards from acclaimed competitions such as JUMP, NUVO, West Coast Dance Explosion, NYCDA, ... where she has worked with many professional choreographers such as Mandy Moore, Dee Caspary, Mia Michaels, Travis Wall, etc....
- Trained at Broadway Dance Center in NYC, The Edge in L.A., and private instruction from Balanchine’s Muse – Stephanie Saland.
- Performed in SLC 2002 Opening Olympic Ceremonies.
- Performed in Odyssey’s “Thriller” Show – University of Utah Kingsbury Hall.
- “High Point” lyrical soloist and “Over-All Solo Champion” in 2008 - Dance America Nationals.
- Lead role in the performance of “Sleeping Beauty” performed at Utah Valley University - 2008.
- 2 yr. member of Region and State Dance Champions - Lone Peak HS Drill Team
- Dance Captain of the Lone Peak “Chevalier Drill Team” 2009-2010.
- “Miss Dance/Drill Team Utah 2009” title winner.
- Member of the Pre-Professional Dance Company “Expansion” – directed by Bonnie Story – 2010-2011.
- Currently choreographing and teaching technique classes for various studios and high school drill teams throughout Utah.
- Currently enrolled at Brigham Young University – and a member of the National Champions “Cougarette” Dance Team.
- Currently BYU Marketing Intern Event Planner with BYU Athletic Department.



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Kambri Shenk – Instructor

- 15 yrs. Training and experience in jazz, contemporary, modern, ballet, precision, and hip hop dance.
- National VIP Scholarship Receptient for JUMP convention.
- JUMP “Critics Choice Winner”
- NYC Dance Alliance Outstanding Dancer Scholarship winner.
- Sterling Scholar in Dance - 2009-2010.
- Performed professional shows at Universal Studios with JUMP Convention/Nationals.
- Dancer in Smokey Joes Café musical – Scera Shell Theater - Orem, UT.
- Featured dancer in the film “Hottie Boom Ba Lottie”.
- Featured dancer in the film “American Mall”.
- Assistant Instructor for BDT Drill Team summer camps.
- Instructor for Summer Slam Dance Camps.



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Autumn Nelsen – Assistant Instructor

- 18+ yrs. Training and experience in Ballet, Jazz, Contemporary, Pointe, Hip Hop, and Precision Dance.
- Trained by professionals in Utah, CA, NYC, and Las Vegas.
- Danced in Ballet West & Utah Regional Ballet Nutcracker performances.
- Scholarship recipient and Traveled as a Company Member with L.A. Dance Magic.
- 4 yr. Member of the #1 National Champions BYU “Cougarette” Dance Team.
- Dance Captain for BYU “Cougarettes” - 2011-2012.
- Choreographer/Teacher for private dance studios, soloists, and Collegiate Dance Teams.
- Region and State Championship High School Drill Team member – 3 yrs.
- Dance Captain for her HS Drill Team (5A classification) – 2 yrs.
- “Over-all” Solo Winner during her Junior and Senior years in HS.
- “Miss Dance/Drill Team Utah” title winner in 2008.
- Instructor for Summer Slam Dance Camps and BDT Drill Team Camps.



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Sarah Paskett - Instructor

- 10+ yrs. Dance training and experience in Jazz, Lyrical, Contemporary, Ballet, Hip Hop, Character, and Precision Dance.
- Multiple scholarships at L.A. Dance Magic and Jump dance conventions.
- Teacher and Choreographer at multiple Dance Studios.
- Company Director for Studio Dance Teams.
- Region and State Champion High School Drill Team member – 3 yrs.
- Captain of her High School Drill Team - 2 yrs.
- Top 10 Finalist for “Miss Dance/Drill Team Utah” pageant 2009 & 2010
- Award Winning Choreographer/teacher – private studios, high school dance/drill teams, soloists.
- Instructor for Summer Slam Dance Camps
- Assistant instructor for BDT Drill Team Camps.

WE ARE CURRENTLY ADDING SOME MORE INCREDIBLE INSTRUCTORS TO OUR SUMMER SLAM “FAMILY” - BIOS COMING SOON!!!