

# VISION. CREATE. ARTISTRY.

## FEES & EVENTS

### JUNE

- **June 1:** Tuition due
- **June 2:** Fierce Friday Master Classes start
- **June 5:** Turn It Up: Hip Hop camp
- **June 6:** Jazz & Lyrical camp starts
- **June 8:** Havilah Serves Week (June 8-14)
- **June 9:** Fierce Friday Classes #2
- **June 11:** Company Banquet
- **June 15:** Rehearsal & Ballet Intensives begin
- **June 16:** Fierce Friday Classes #3
- **June 20:** HDC Pep Rally
- **June 21:** Last day of classes for 2023
- **June 25:** Hollywood Vibe Nationals Orlando, Florida

## SUMMER IS HERE!



Havilah staff are ready to have fun this summer while inspiring, training and challenging our dancers! Don't miss a chance to connect with fellow dancers & make some great memories!

**\*\*Be sure to dress in**

**teal and orange**

**for our HDC Pep Rally**

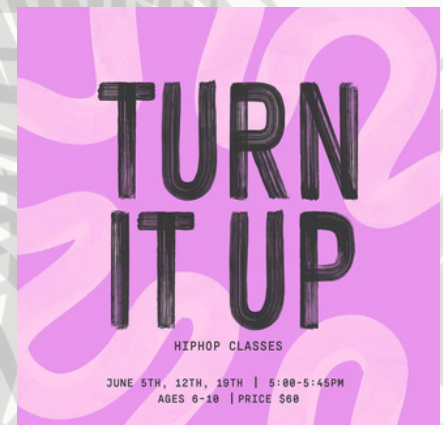
**on Tuesday June 20th!**

## UPCOMING...

## FEES &amp; EVENTS

JULY &  
AUGUST

- **July 1:** Studio closed for summer break (July 1-8)
- **July 15-20:** Auditions & Placement for 2023-24 Teenie Company
- **July 17-20:** Limitless Clinic
- **Aug 7 - 10:** Company Summer Intensive
- **Aug 19:** 1st day of classes for the 2023-24 Season!



**HDC studio will be closed  
July 1st - July 8th.**



# STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

*AVERY JOHNSON*

**HDC: Tell us  
about your journey!**

**What age did you start dancing? Was there  
a specific reason why you started dance?**

**A:** Well, I started dance when I was two years old! I couldn't wait to start taking class because my sister was a dancer and I always danced outside her classroom and wanted to be in that classroom too!!! Also I couldn't wait to wear a sparkly costume!

**HDC: What is your favorite  
thing about dance?**

**A:** I love when I'm dancing I feel disconnected from everything else and just plugged straight in to the dance we are doing. I love being different characters. I love imagining I'm in this story and bringing the audience into the movie scene we are dancing. I feel so joyful and happy and literally can't believe I'm getting to do it! I always hope to spread love, joy and kindness even from the stage. Even in a serious dance! I want to show God's love to the world and maybe make someone's day better. There's so much energy we pour out up there and I love praying people in the audience would feel that energy and love straight from the Lord.



**What style of  
dance  
do you enjoy  
the most?**

**A:** That's a hard one for me because I feel so excited for every style! I love my ballet; dancing en pointe; and I love contemporary, tap, jazz, and hip-hop.

**HDC: What is something you are  
proud of accomplishing this  
competition season?**

**A:** It's silly but I just told my mom at the beginning of this season and I prayed that in our conventions that even just one choreographer would notice my hard work and maybe I'd get a pin or something. I still can't believe this season and how humbled I am that my hard work has been noticed- it just makes me want to try harder and harder to be deserving of those accolades as I'm daily surrounded by the most incredibly talented dancers at HDC.

# STUDENT SPOTLIGHT *EVERY JOHNSON*

## HDC: What inspires you to keep dancing?

**A:** Wow! This one could make me cry, but honestly I feel so blessed and honored to be a dancer. I take it very seriously that I'm one of the blessed people that gets to do this art form. I've grown up with a kidney disease since I was a baby and I had severe asthma and have spent many times in the hospital. Before coming to HDC I had two kidney surgeries and wasn't able to dance for a while. I couldn't wait to get back to class asap and I don't take one single day for granted that I get to be there! My daily meds keep me healthy but sometimes make me feel bad too and my kidneys hurt every day but I just feel so much joy and thankfulness, that no matter what, I focus on how God can use me and my dancing to love on others and then I don't feel so much pain.

I've learned some superpowers with what I've been through and I think the Lord has helped me with them.

1) I'm not gonna waste a day. Whatever I'm doing I'm giving it my all.

2) I'm not gonna waste time comparing myself to others. When I have an envious moment or I'm putting myself down or discouraged I can't get something right I try to speak life to my body and say I'm proud of you for trying and even if you're not getting it or are in pain I'm proud that you keep striving. If another dancer is doing something I wish I could do I don't get mad at them or jealous I ask the Lord to even multiply their gift and use it for His big plan to reach the world for Him.

3) The sooner you can love yourself and be proud of yourself the sooner you stop being ugly to others because of your own insecurities- be real, be true, be loving. Fight being jealous and ugly. Being mean doesn't elevate you it holds you back! Don't purposelessly try to put someone down or make them insecure, rise above that and lead in love always first- and kindness. I'm serious it's a superpower. Try elevating someone and see what happens with your own gifts! It's awesome!

4) Last superpower I'll mention is to always focus on what you're grateful for. In every moment, even bad moments or ones you feel overwhelmed in you can always quickly think of three things you are so thankful for and that'll change your perspective immediately.