

FUSE

CREW

2024-2025
INFORMATION

WHO WE ARE

SPARK THE FUSE

OUR MISSION

FUSE Crew is a competitive youth hip hop and street-style crew at The Dance Spot! Directed by Haley Sikes, FUSE Crew trains dancers to be entertaining performers, while growing teamwork skills. The team performs at various events, competitions, and dance conventions all across Texas, and holds many prestigious titles. For dancers ages 6-18, FUSE Crew focuses on building the youth community in Austin and exposing more kids to hip hop and street culture.



OPPORTUNITIES

Training from Local, National,
and International Choreographers
Competitive Growth
Local Performances
Convention Training
Industry Training
Team Bonding Experiences
Customized Training and Choreography
& More!





MEET THE DIRECTORS

DIRECTOR

HALEY SIKES

Haley Sikes is a dancer, performer, choreographer, and teacher, based out of the Austin area. She started dancing at the age of three, training in many different styles, with a focus on hip hop. Haley has been directing UGK for the past five years, and has grown a community of talented hip hop dancers at Balance. Haley grows as a teacher by pushing her students to be the best people they can be. She has a fresh approach that sparks creativity among young artists.

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

ALEXIS O'LEARY

Alexis is a dancer and performer from the Midwest. She began her dance career at the age of 7 as a backup dancer, traveling across the United States to perform until she was 15. She has had the opportunity to train in many different styles, participating in several theatre productions, commercials, and competitions. Alexis looks forward to contributing to the Texas dance community by offering her knowledge and experience to encourage young artists to be creative and confident.



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AUDITIONS

MAY 22

After having pre-registered, dancers should plan to arrive at the studio no less than 15 minutes before their audition time, to check in, complete any remaining paperwork (an application should be fully completed ahead of time, along with headshot – please fill out thoughtfully so we can get to know your dancer), and to warm up. Dancers should wear their best hip hop attire to auditions.

Light makeup and hair accessories are acceptable. Dancers will learn a short combo. and will be asked to freestyle, as part of their audition.

SPARKLERS AGES 6-8 | MAY 22 | 4:00-5:00pm

FIRECRACKERS AGES 9-12 | MAY 22 | 5:00-6:15pm

DYNAMITE AGES 13+ | MAY 22 | 6:30-7:45pm

FUSE Elite Advanced Dancers AGES 13+ | MAY 22 | 8-9pm

Please contact Haley if you have any questions or concerns regarding the age group or level of your dancer prior to auditions.



AUDITION RESULTS

Evaluation:

The Dance Spot will bring in outside judges to help evaluate auditioning dancers, and provide objective feedback for team placement. In addition, director feedback is considered, as well as past attendance, work ethic, attitude and performance quality (for returning company members). Judges and directors will share feedback after auditions and collaborate to determine the crew best suited to dancers' abilities, commitment level and expressed goals (per their application).

Results:

Dancers will be notified on the evening of May 22nd, via email, of their audition results/placement. After that, one parent and dancer are REQUIRED to attend a mandatory crew meeting with the director on May 24th.

Summer classes start Monday, June 3rd, and end on Saturday, July 27th. The fall session begins on Monday, August 19th.

Meeting times are as follows:

4:00pm: Sparklers

5:00pm: Firecrackers + Dynamite

6:00pm: FUSEelite

All meetings will be held at The Dance Spot.

Email fusecrew@dancespotx.com with any questions.

If your dancer is unable to attend auditions, please reach out to discuss private audition options.



IMPORTANT DATES

SUMMER 2024-SPRING 2025

5.22 AUDITIONS

5.24 MANDATORY CREW MEETINGS

6.1 PHOTOSHOOT

7.15-7.17 HIP HOP WORKSHOP

7.18-21 CHOREOGRAPHY WEEK

8.9 RETREAT 6-8PM

NOVEMBER MONSTERS HOUSTON CONVENTION (optional)

WINTER TBD COMMUNITY PERFORMANCE

JANUARY MONSTERS AUSTIN CONVENTION AND COMPETITION

FEBRUARY 8 NATIONAL DANCE COMPETITION

MARCH SHOWMAKERS DANCE COMPETITION

TBD 1-2 LOCAL COMPETITIONS OR ADDITIONAL COMMUNITY
PERFORMANCES

APRIL KAOS DALLAS CONVENTION AND COMPETITION
(optional)

APRIL "MURGE" COMPANY SHOW

MAY SPRING RECITAL

TIME COMMITMENTS

SUMMER AND FALL EXPECTATIONS

SUMMER COMMITMENTS

SPARKLERS, FIRECRACKERS, DYNAMITE, FUSEelite:
8 hours of hip hop during the 8-week session (1 class/week)

Summer choreography weekend (7.18-21),
team retreat (8.9), Hip Hop Workshop (7.15-17)

FALL COMMITMENTS

Schedule *subject to change*

SPARKLERS - Wednesdays, Rehearsals 4:30-5:30pm

FIRECRACKERS - Wednesdays, Rehearsals 5:30-7:30pm

DYNAMITE - Wednesdays, Rehearsals 6:30-7:30pm and 8-9pm

FUSEelite- Wednesdays, Rehearsals 6:30-9pm

**All dancers are required to take one additional Hip Hop
class each week.**

Attendance Policy: Students are not allowed to have more than 3 absences per class per semester. All absences must be approved by the director prior to classes missed. All conventions and competitions are mandatory. No exceptions. Reblocking fees of \$150/piece will apply.