

STUDIO WEST

Dance Academy

March Newsletter

STUDIO WEST DANCE THEATRE PRESENTS: OREGON BALLET THEATRE 2026 TOUR

One of the most powerful moments in a young dancer's training is the first time they sit in a theater and watch professional dancers perform live.

On March 31 at 7:00 PM, we have the rare opportunity to experience exactly that — right here in Olympia — as Oregon Ballet Theatre's Second Company comes to town for a special tour performance at the Capital High School Performing Arts Center.

SPECIAL BONUS: Former Studio West Dancers, Aidan Hodo and James Johnson, will be performing with OBT2!

Watching professional dancers on stage does something class alone cannot:

- It helps students visualize what is possible
- It deepens their understanding of musicality, artistry, and stage presence
- It connects the daily work in the studio to the bigger picture of the goals they want to reach, and
- Most importantly, it inspires motivation, discipline, and dreams that stay with them long after the curtain falls

We are especially proud and honored that Studio West Dance Theatre's Performance Division dancers will open the show, giving our students a meaningful connection to the professional world.

This is more than a performance — it's an educational and inspirational experience that can shape how a young dancer sees themselves and their future.

Tickets can be purchased here: <https://studio-west-dance-theatre.square.site> Tickets are available for \$25 until March 30 and then \$30 at the door. We truly hope you'll make plans to attend and give your dancer the gift of seeing where dedication, training, and passion can lead.

Opportunities like this for your dancers do not come to Olympia often and this is one they won't want to miss.

FREE Master Classes With OBT2 Director, Dominic Walsh: Sunday, March 29

Levels 5/6: 3:30-5:00 pm • Levels 7/8: 5:10-6:40



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Olympia, WA | Capital High School
Mar. 31, 2026 — 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM

Tickets:





A Whimsical Ballet Filled with Heart, Humor & Brilliance

Step into a world of charm, comedy, and classical beauty as Studio West Dance Theatre presents *Coppélia* – one of the most beloved story ballets of all time. Performed live at the Washington Center for the Performing Arts, *Coppélia* is a classical ballet that blends light-hearted comedy with lyrical romance. Set in a quaint European village, the story follows the clever Swanhilda, her spirited friends, and the mysterious inventor Dr. Coppélius, whose fascination with lifelike dolls leads to unexpected revelations.

Léo Delibes' lively, mischievous score dances alongside the story, giving voice to the ballet's humor, romance, and surprise. This ballet blends technical dancing and storytelling with lighthearted fun—making it the perfect spring theatrical experience.

Turn your child's *Coppélia* experience into a full fairytale adventure! Before the ballet begins, young audience members are invited to step inside the world of *Coppélia* at our enchanting May Day Celebration—a joyful pre-show party designed just for them. This add-on event is the perfect way to spark imagination, deepen understanding of the story, and build excitement before the performance begins. Celebration add-on tickets are \$24 including the Washington Center service fee and are only required for young participants; accompanying adults attend for free. Space is limited.



Thursday, April 30 • 7:00 pm Performance

Friday, May 1 • 7:00pm Performance

Saturday, May 2 • Coppelia's May Day Celebration: 1:00 pm and 6:00pm

Performances: 2:00 pm and 7:00 pm

TICKETS ON SALE NOW!

Online: [washingtoncenter.org/organizer/studio-west-dance-theatre](https://www.washingtoncenter.org/organizer/studio-west-dance-theatre)

Box Office: 360.753.8586

Studio West Dance Theatre Presents:

Track City 2026



5th Annual Track City

Studio West's all hip show, Track City, will take the stage at the Capital High School Performing Arts Center on Sunday, May 17 at 7:00pm. Now in its 5th year, Track City brings together Studio West dancers as well as dance studios from across the Puget Sound to celebrate hip-hop as an art form rather than a competition. It's a collaborative, high-energy event that highlights creativity, community and a shared love of hip hop. We invite our entire SWDA community to come enjoy the fun and energy that this show always brings to the stage!

Tickets on sale late April!

Early Bird Pricing: \$20 April 24 - May 10; \$25 May 10-17

Track City Performance Information

When: Sunday, May 17, 7:00pm

Where: The Performing Arts Center at Capital High School

SPRING SHOWCASE 2026!

Our dancers are now in the middle of learning their ****Spring Showcase**** choreography, and consistent attendance is essential to the success of each class's performance on stage. Each week we work on choreography, timing, and formations that rely on every dancer knowing their role and place within the group. When a dancer is absent, it impacts not only their learning but also the progress of their classmates who are working together to create a polished performance. We understand that illness happens—if your dancer is sick, please keep them home—but otherwise we ask families to prioritize attendance during this important rehearsal period out of respect for the choreography and the dancers who are present each week.



Spring Showcase will take place May 30-31, 2026 at the Washington Center for the Performing Arts in downtown Olympia. Stay tuned for more information. Tickets will be on sale in April.

REGISTRATION IS OPEN FOR SUMMER SESSION, CAMPS AND WORKSHOP!

- Make This Summer AWESOME at Studio West Dance Academy. Registration for our Summer Classes, Camps & Workshops is now open. Whether your dancer is building a strong technical foundation or looking to refine their artistry, our programs offer focused training, inspiring instruction, and a supportive environment to grow. Our summer programs are designed to inspire confidence, build skills, and spark a love of dance in every student. Each camp is packed with exciting themes, **engaging choreography, and unforgettable moments your dancer will be talking about all year long.**
- With a range of classes designed for all levels, summer at Studio West is the perfect time to stay active, develop new skills, and return to the fall season stronger than ever.

A promotional graphic for Studio West Dance Academy's 2026 summer programs. It features four circular images representing different camps and a workshop. The text 'STUDIO WEST Dance Academy 2026' is at the top. Below are four circles: 1. 'ONCE UPON A TIME: A BALLET CAMP' with a girl in a red tutu, dates 'JUNE 29-JULY 2 • 10:00AM - 1:00PM'. 2. 'GROOVES: HIP HOP DANCE CAMP' with a girl in a blue and pink outfit, dates 'JUNE 29-JULY 2 • 1:30PM - 3:30PM'. 3. 'ALL THAT JAZZ WORKSHOP' with a girl in a blue outfit, dates 'JUNE 29-JULY 2 • 1:30-3:30PM'. 4. 'DANCE WITH DISNEY CAMP' with a girl in a yellow Disney dress, dates 'AUGUST 24-27 10:00AM - 1:00PM'. At the bottom, it says 'IN-STUDIO SUMMER DANCE CAMPS (AGES 4-10) & WORKSHOP (LEVELS 1-3)'.

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Secure your spot today
space is limited.

360.956.WEST (9378)

[Click HERE to
Register online](#)

IMPORTANT DATES:

- March 29:** OBT2 Workshop
Levels 5-6 • 3:30pm - 5:00pm
Levels 7-8 • 5:10pm -6:40pm
- March 30:** OBT2 Dress Rehearsal at Capital HS
- March 31:** OBT2 Performance with
SWDT Ballet 7/8 Performance Division
- April 6 - 12:** Spring Break - STUDIO CLOSED
- April 25:** Coppelia In-Studio Dress Rehearsal
- April 26 - May 2:** Coppelia Theatre Week
- April 30 - 7pm:** Coppelia Performance #1
- May 1 - 7pm:** Coppelia Performance #2
- May 2 - 1pm:** Coppelia May Day Celebration
- May 2 - 2pm:** Coppelia Performance #3
- May 2 - 6pm:** Coppelia May Day Celebration
- May 2 - 7pm:** Coppelia Performance #4
- May 9:** Dancewear Center mobile pointe shoe fitting
- May 16:** Track City In-Studio Dress Rehearsal
- May 17:** Track City Performance 7pm
Performing Arts Center at Capital High School
- May 18-23:** Bring your audience(stuffed animal/doll) to class
- May 25:** Studio CLOSED for Memorial Day
- May 26 - 29:** Spring Showcase Dress Rehearsals at the Washington Center for the Performing Arts
- May 30-31:** All-School Spring Showcase at the Washington Center for the Performing Arts
- June 1-7:** Studio Closed
- June 8-11, 15-18:** Ballet Boot Camp Levels 3-8
- June 22-23:** Beat Box Intermediate Summer Dance Camp & DYNAMIX auditions
- June 24-25:** Beat Box Advanced Summer Dance Camp & EDGE auditions



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WORKSHOPS CAMPS CLASSES INTENSIVES

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