



The Dance Design School
Teaching the heart of dance & music

The Anastasia Lynn Irwin Edson Scholarship For the academically minded dancer.

Stasia began dancing at age 5 and moved to D&MDS at age 9. She had a deep love of reading, writing, and academic pursuits. At Binghamton University she was an English major and soon made her way back into the dance studio where she found her love of choreography. After college Stasia taught ballet classes at D&MDS and wrote the narration for the HVDT's 'Nutcracker Short & Sweet'. She was the inspiration for the much beloved 'Chinese' dance.

The A.L.I.E. Scholarship will be awarded to one dancer and cover the cost of a single class per week for the duration of the 2024-2025 school year.

Eligibility:

- *Applicant must be age 7 or older at the time of the audition.
- *Applicant must have a strong passion for dance, choreography, and writing.
- *Applicant may not miss any class except in the case of illness. All missed classes must be made up with an additional class. Any missed classes that are not made up within 1 month could cause the loss of scholarship money.

Application Process:

- *Fill out the scholarship application by July 20.
- *Include a student written essay with the theme of 'Why I Dance'.
- *Present a short choreographed dance via Youtube or schedule a time to show your choreography in the studio.

Scholarship winner will be announced at our Open House in September.

