

THE
SCHOOL
OF

Ballet TUCSON

THE OFFICIAL SCHOOL
OF BALLET TUCSON
SOUTHERN ARIZONA'S
PROFESSIONAL BALLET COMPANY



*Celebrating 40 years
of inspiring dancers
through professional
training, artistry, and
excellence*

520.623.3373



schoolofballettucson



ballettucson.org/school

ABOUT THE SCHOOL



The School of Ballet Tucson (SBT) is the official school of Southern Arizona's only professional ballet company and has been a trusted home for exceptional dance training since 1986.

As we celebrate 40 years of dance education, SBT proudly honors a legacy of inspiring students of all ages while continuing to train the next generation of dancers.

Our faculty is composed of Ballet Tucson company dancers and artistic leaders who have performed in prestigious national and international companies.

Our students receive the highest quality training in a variety of styles, helping them to become versatile and well-rounded dancers. We are dedicated to providing an encouraging environment for each student that focuses on personal growth, artistry, and creativity. We strive to deliver educational experiences that foster a deep love and appreciation for dance, in addition to nurturing skills that will serve our students in all aspects of their lives.

What sets SBT apart?

- **Official School of Ballet Tucson**
Students train in an environment directly connected to Southern Arizona's only professional ballet company, giving them access to working artists and a meaningful look at what professional dance looks like today.
- **Professional-level Training**
Classes are led by experienced faculty, including Ballet Tucson artists, accomplished dance educators, and members of Ballet Tucson's artistic staff.
- **A Complete Dance Education**
Students receive strong ballet training while also having access to other styles such as pointe, jazz, tap, modern, hip hop, and more!
- **Performance Opportunities**
Students have opportunities to grow through stage experience, school performances, and select Ballet Tucson professional performances including The Nutcracker in partnership with the Tucson Symphony Orchestra.
- **Training for All Ages and Levels**
From young children beginning their dance journey to advanced pre-professional students and adults rediscovering their love of dance, the school offers a place for all dancers to grow.
- **Legacy and Trust**
For 40 years, the School of Ballet Tucson has been a trusted part of Tucson's dance education landscape. Our alumni have gone on to dance with world-renowned companies, pursue successful careers, and carry the discipline, confidence, and creativity developed at SBT into many professional fields.

CLASS OFFERINGS

YOUNG CHILDREN'S PROGRAM

Ages 18 months - 5 years

Ages listed are approximate. Class placement is based on each student's ability, strength, and readiness as assessed by SBT faculty and leadership.



DANCE WITH ME (18 months - 3 years)

A parent or guardian accompanies their young dancer through the entire half hour class

CREATIVE MOVEMENT (3 - 4 years)

PRE-BALLET (4 - 5 years)

Our Young Children's Program is designed to introduce our youngest dancers to the joy of movement in a nurturing, creative environment that supports each stage of early childhood development.

Through music, imagination, and the foundations of ballet, students begin developing coordination, confidence, focus, rhythm, and classroom independence.

JUNIOR AND SENIOR PROGRAM

Ages 6 - 19

Ages listed are approximate. Class placement is based on each student's ability, strength, and readiness as assessed by SBT faculty and leadership.



Our **Levels 1-7** classes offer structured, progressive training for students ages 6-19.

Each level is thoughtfully designed to build strong classical technique, musicality, coordination, discipline, and confidence in a supportive and encouraging environment.

As students advance, their training becomes more challenging, helping them develop greater strength, precision, and artistry.

MORE THAN BALLET

Ages 6 - 19



WE OFFER:

Pointe
Prep for Pointe
4Pointe - **NEW!**
Classical Variations
Modern
Jazz
Tap
Hip Hop
Conditioning
Choreography
Improvisation

To support well-rounded training that equips our students for the ever-evolving demands of the dance world, our curriculum includes a variety of styles that help students develop technical strength, adaptability, and artistry.

LEVELS 1-2: Must be enrolled in at least one ballet class per week

LEVELS 3-4: Must be enrolled in at least two ballet classes per week

LEVELS 5-7: Must be enrolled in at least three ballet classes per week

TEEN & ADULT CLASSES

Suitable for ages 14 and up



BEGINNING BALLET

INTERMEDIATE BALLET

Enhance your dance practice through our expanded program which includes **TAP, YOGA, and CLASSICAL VARIATIONS**, where students can learn some of the famous ballet solos they have seen performed on stage!

SCAN THE QR CODE TO VIEW ALL
CLASS INFORMATION ON OUR WEBSITE



INTRODUCING OUR PRE-PROFESSIONAL PROGRAM



Our Pre-Professional Program is designed for dedicated students in levels 5-7 who are seeking a deeper level of training, artistic growth, and commitment within our school. We welcome students whose goals range from pursuing dance at the highest level to those who simply wish to train with greater focus, discipline, and artistic depth.

Students in the Pre-Professional Program will have the opportunity to train alongside their peers in our standard classes with esteemed SBT faculty, ensuring continuity, consistency, and strong technical foundations. What distinguishes this track is the access to additional performance and educational opportunities, specialized benefits, elevated coaching with individualized attention, and an expectation for personal responsibility and growth.

This is an intensive program, but one rooted in support, mentorship, and meaningful development. The Pre-Professional Program is not defined by a single outcome, but by a shared commitment to excellence, discipline, and personal evolution as an artist and individual.

PRE-PROFESSIONAL PROGRAM BENEFITS:

- Audition Support, Career Coaching, and Photoshoot access
- Mentorship from Ballet Tucson Artists
- Educational Seminars and Professional Development
- Free access to Company Rehearsals and Performances
- Expanded Performance & Outreach Opportunities
- Curated Arts Experiences
- Specialized Merchandise

Pre-Pro is exclusively for students enrolled in School of Ballet Tucson classes placed in levels 5-7 for the 2026-2027 school year.

PERFORMANCE OPPORTUNITIES & MASTERCLASS SERIES



BALLET TUCSON'S THE NUTCRACKER In Partnership with the Tucson Symphony Orchestra December 18-20, 2026

Each holiday season, student dancers have the unforgettable opportunity to perform alongside Ballet Tucson's professional company in *The Nutcracker*. Presented at The Linda Ronstadt Music Hall with live music by the Tucson Symphony Orchestra, this treasured production gives students the chance to be part of one of Southern Arizona's most magical holiday traditions.



SPIRIT GARDEN AND OTHER WORKS October 23-25, 2026 at Temple of Music and Art

Exclusive to School of Ballet Tucson students
Level 4-7 students have the opportunity to audition for a major Ballet Tucson production! This fall we present Chieko Imada's *Spirit Garden*, a ballet tribute to Día de los Muertos featuring artwork by Southwest artist Lawrence Lee and music by Calexico and guitarist Misael Barraza-Díaz, as well as a world premiere celebrating the school and company's 40 years of excellence in classical ballet.



HANSEL & GRETEL May 22-23, 2027 at Temple of Music and Art

Exclusive to School of Ballet Tucson students
Students ages 6-19 will also have the opportunity to perform in *Hansel and Gretel*, a family-friendly matinee open to the public in collaboration with the Children's Museum Tucson and Live Theatre Workshop. This iconic story ballet brings the beloved fairytale to life on stage, offering dancers a meaningful performance experience in a production designed especially for families and young audiences.



MASTERCLASS SERIES

Throughout the school year, intermediate and advanced students have the opportunity to participate in masterclasses with renowned guest teachers. This offers students the chance to broaden the scope of their dance education and to make new connections in the dance world. School of Ballet Tucson students have access to masterclasses free of charge. Dates and guest teachers to be announced.



2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR REGISTRATION INFORMATION

**We look forward to welcoming you for
another great school year at SBT!**

To guarantee a place in desired classes, **early registration** is recommended for both new and returning students: **July 13 - August 1, 2026**. We assess each student's progress on an ongoing basis and evaluations are made in consultation with all teachers. Placement levels are shared with returning students and parents prior to the beginning of the school year. Recommendations for placement and advancement are based on a student's age in addition to ability, strength, and technical development. All new students must take a placement class to be assessed by faculty before enrolling in classes.

REGISTRATION OPENS JULY 13TH!

For more information and to register:

CALL 520-623-3373

EMAIL school@ballettucson.org

ONLINE ballettucson.org/school



200 S TUCSON BLVD, TUCSON, AZ 85716
520.623.3373

ballettucson.org/school

NONPROFIT
ORGANIZATION
US POSTAGE
PAID
TUCSON, AZ
PERMIT NO 1445