

LITTLETON YOUTH BALLET
with
LITTLETON BALLET ACADEMY

Alice in Wonderland



Friday September 12th
at 7:00 pm

Lone Tree Arts Center
10075 Commons Street
Lone Tree, CO 80124

Saturday, September 13th
at 1:00 pm and 6:00 pm

Joanna Ramsey Theatre
6933 Raleigh Street
Westminster, CO 80031

About Littleton Youth Ballet

Littleton Youth Ballet is a performing ballet company comprised of 78 young dancers between the ages of 7 to 18. Our mission is to maintain a first-rate non-profit youth company of dancers, enriching their lives and those of their families, schools, communities, and beyond. We also aim to provide a caring and respectful environment that offers each dancer quality performance experience to enable them to reach their fullest potential, not only as dancers, but in all areas of life. We strive to encourage and promote dance with dynamic, full-length productions and diverse outreach programs throughout the Denver area.

At Littleton Youth Ballet, we are dedicated to developing young dancers not just as artists, but as individuals. We take a holistic approach to training, nurturing both their technical skills and emotional growth to help them become resilient, confident, and well-rounded individuals. Our goal is to create a supportive environment where dancers grow in their passion for the arts, while also building essential life skills, emotional intelligence, and a strong sense of identity.

Vision Statement:

By fostering a growth mindset, promoting emotional well-being, cultivating a sense of community, and teaching discipline and self-care, we empower dancers to thrive both in and outside the studio. We encourage artistry, and a balance between their passion for dance and other life experiences, preparing them for success in every aspect of their lives.

Mission Statement:

Through professional education, positive role models, and an emphasis on personal growth, Littleton Youth Ballet's mission is to inspire a new generation of dancers who are not only exceptional performers, but also compassionate, confident, and empowered individuals.

All our dancers are students at Littleton Ballet Academy. Many of our upper-level students have won awards and scholarships in ballet competitions and have been accepted and/or received scholarships and stipends to nationally recognized ballet schools across the nation.

About Littleton Ballet Academy

Littleton Ballet Academy is a pre-professional ballet school in Littleton. Run by co-directors, Alison and Bobbie Jaramillo, the school focuses on ballet while also offering training in jazz, tap, contemporary, musical theatre, conditioning, and Pilates to create strong and versatile dancers. LBA was awarded Outstanding Faculty in 2023 by Youth America Grand Prix and Outstanding School in 2020, 2024, and 2025. Dancers have been invited to YAGP Finals for the last nine years and our Ensemble won Top 24 at the YAGP Finals in 2023 (this is a world competition!). Dancers have also done well at the Denver Ballet Guild Young Dancer's Competition (winning the David Parvin Award three times), Universal Ballet Competition, ADC/IBC, and StarQuest. Dancers have also been accepted and/or received scholarships and stipends to nationally recognized ballet schools across the nation.

Littleton Ballet Academy is a performance-based school meaning that committed dancers have lots of opportunities to participate in Littleton Youth Ballet productions, outreaches, benefits, and possibly some ballet competitions. Dancers in Ballet 3 and higher have the chance to perform four times a year on a real stage and learn to develop stage awareness and presence, experience how a ballet is created, and as they grow, even the chance to create a leading or supporting role in a ballet.

Our environment is strict but caring, encouraging students to work at their fullest potential. We have a wonderful family feel in our studio, with supportive parents, and the younger students being able to look up to the older students. Our faculty and staff become involved in the development of all our students. Our goal is to produce dancers who are wonderful people that will succeed in anything they wish to do whether it's a career in ballet or something else. Thank you for coming to the show!

Alice in Wonderland Synopsis

Act I

Scene 1: In the Garden

Alice is tired of studying her history and wishes she could go past her garden wall. Her cat Dinah appears, and Alice obediently goes back to her book. Suddenly a White Rabbit appears, but this is a strange rabbit, who is wearing proper clothes and has a pocket watch. Alice follows him.

Scene 2: Down the Rabbit Hole

Alice finds herself falling down a rabbit hole. She sees some very unusual things as she continues to fall down. She awakens in a corridor with three locked doors. Four characters all with hats that state "Eat Me" appear, followed by four more "Drink Me" characters. Alice discovers a key that opens the smallest door, but she is too big to fit through the door. She drinks potion out of a bottle that says, "Drink Me" and finds herself shrinking. Delighted, Alice realizes she can now fit through the door but has forgotten the key. She eats a cake from one of the Eat Me Characters and finds herself back to full height. The White Rabbit reappears and is shocked to discover Alice. He exits and Alice cries because she cannot get out of the corridor.

Scene 3: Pool of Tears and a Caucus Race

Alice cries so much she finds herself in a Pool of Tears. A Mouse swims by followed by a flock of Birds. They are angry at Alice because they are wet, but the Mouse leads them through a crazy Caucus Race to get dry again. The Mouse demands a prize from Alice and she produces a thimble from her pocket. The Mouse and Birds are delighted and go about their day.

Scene 4: Caterpillar, Duchess, Flowers, and a Cat

Alice meets the friendly Caterpillar and the Duchess, who privately believes she is just as important as the Queen. She finds herself in a beautiful Garden of Flowers and then meets the grinning Cheshire Cat.

Scene 5: The Mad Hatter Tea Party

The Mad Hatter appears, followed by the March Hare, and the little sleepy Dormouse. They are ready to have their tea when Alice appears. They immediately proclaim, “No room!” but Alice points out that there is plenty of room. Alice insists on joining them and at the end everyone is having a grand time!

Act II

Scene 1: The White Queen

The scene opens with a dance by the Cards. The White Queen dances around the white roses. A few of the Cards realize that white roses should be red and set off to paint them red. Meanwhile, the White Queen is terrified of the royal flamingos who dance around her.

Scene 2: The Queen of Hearts arrival

The Queen’s arrival is announced and is accompanied by the King. He believes the Queen is magnificent and is in awe of her. The Knave enters and the Royal Court members dance. The Queen’s invited guests, royal flamingos, and hedgehogs make an entrance and then Alice appears. Everyone stares at her because she was not on the Queen’s invited list. The Queen dances and then the Queen discovers that Alice has the Queen’s royal croquet ball. She chases Alice out of the court.

Scene 2: At the Sea

Alice heads toward the sea where she meets the Lobsters who are dancing the Lobster Quadrille. Tweedle-dee and Tweedle-dum dance for Alice. The Sea Turtles dance and then she meets the Mock Turtle who is not really a turtle and is quite friendly. Alice decides to head back to the Queen of Hearts Court.

Scene 3: Back at the Queen’s Court

A croquet game is taking place and Alice joins in excitedly. She meets the Knave of Hearts in the middle of the game. The Queen is in a better mood until the Cook comes in with an empty tray, the tray that should have held the Queen of Hearts’ tarts. It is immediately announced the Knave of Hearts was the one who stole the tarts and he is brought in by the Cards. He declares his innocence to the guests but is placed behind bars. Alice appeals to his jailers who release him. The Knave and Alice dance a pas de deux. The Queen returns and is very angry. The Knave and Alice try to escape and are helped by the King who is feeling guilty because he is the one who ate the Queen’s tarts. Suddenly everything begins to swirl, and Alice is dizzy.

Scene 4: Back in the Garden

Alice awakens and finds herself back in her own garden with her head on her book. She realizes that it must have been a dream until she finds a card in her pocket. Perhaps it was not a dream after all.

Cast (In order of appearance)

Act I

Alice: Isabel Smyth (Fri), Lydia Woodward (Sat)

Dinah the Cat: Eliza Germeroth (Fri) Evangeline Lester (Sat 1), Glaleanna Kilman (Sat 6)

White Rabbit: Lydia Woodward (Fri), Hana Schmidt (Sat)

Eat Me Characters: Felicity Cogswell (Fri, Sat 1), Eliza Germeroth (Sat 1), Paisley Hicks (Sat 6), Glaleanna Kilman (Fri, Sat 1), Evangeline Lester (Fri, Sat 6), Elsie Ubben (Sat 6), Annabelle Weed

Drink Me Characters: Lillie Belanger, Reagan Bowers (Sat 6), Ava Delgado (Fri), Grace Germeroth (Sat 1), Rowan Schneider (Fri, Sat 6), Lakin Spohn (Sat 1) Ruby Wilderman (Sat 6), Maya Young (Fri, Sat 1)

Little Alice: Minna Germeroth (Fri), Alice Conrad (Sat)

Mouse: Elsie Ubben (Fri, Sat 1), Felicity Cogswell (Sat 6)

Birds: Hannah Barron (Sat 1), Lillie Belanger (Sat 1), Reagan Bowers (Sat 6), Maddy Brown (Sat 1), Emily Bybee, Isabella Valentina Cofaru (Sat 6), Abigail Cogswell (Fri, Sat 6), Norah Edgar (Fri, Sat 1), Laurel Farber (Sat 1), Kenna Gearhart (Fri, Sat 1), Hannah Gunnerson (Fri, Sat 6), Abigail Haag (Sat 6), Colette Jewell (Fri, Sat 6), Anna Johnson, Melany Kubowicz (Fri, Sat 6), Lila Mendenhall (Sat), Addison Moxon (Fri), Aurelia Nickum (Sat 1), Eleanor Plenk, Amelia Sofia Quirindongo (Sat 1), Ema Isabel Quirindongo (Fr, Sat 6), Hana Schmidt (Fri), Taylor Sturgell (Fri), Helen Taoka (Sat 1), Maya Young (Sat 6)

Dodo Birds: Lakin Spohn (Fri, Sat 6), Madison Curtis (Sat 1) and Joseph Wallen

Caterpillar: Emma Cogswell (Fri), Taylor Sturgell (Sat 1), Aurelia Nickum (Sat 6)

Feet: Abigail Cogswell, Eliza Germeroth, Paisley Hicks (Fri, Sat 6), Glaleanna Kilman (Sat 1), Evangeline Lester

Duchess: Juliet Rauls (Fri), Isabella Valentina Cofaru (Sat 1), Taylor Sturgell (Sat 6)

Cook: Norah Edgar (Fri), Abigail Haag (Sat 1), Maya Young (Sat 6)

Flowers: Abigail Cogswell, Felicity Cogswell, Laurel Farber, Kenna Gearhart, Eliza Germeroth, Paisley Hicks, Glaleanna Kilman, Evangeline Lester, Addison Moxon, Evelyn Patton,

Amelia Sofia Quirindongo, Lilah Sollenberger, Helen Taoka, Elsie Ubben, Annabelle Weed, Jane Whiting

Cheshire Cat: Ruby Wilderman (Fri, Sat 1), Ava Delgado (Sat 6)

Mad Hatter: Isabella Valentina Cofaru (Fri), Isabel Smyth (Sat 1), Madison Curtis (Sat 6)

March Hare: Aurelia Nickum (Fri), Emma Cogswell (Sat 1), Clara Kemp (Sat 6)

Dormouse: Grace Germeroth (Fri), Rowan Schneider (Sat 1), Eleanor Plenk (Sat 6)

15-minute intermission

Act II

White Queen: Madison Curtis (Fri, Sat 1), Isabel Smyth (Sat 6)

White Roses: Hannah Barron (Sat 1), Maddy Brown (Sat 1), Kenna Gearhart, Hannah Gunnerson, Colette Jewell (Sat 1), Melany Kubowicz (Fri, Sat 6), Noelani Segler (Fri, Sat 6), Lilah Sollenberger (Fri, Sat 6), Helen Taoka

Red Roses: Abigail Cogswell, Laurel Farber, (Fri, Sat 1), Kenna Gearhart, Paisley Hicks, Addison Moxon, Aurelia Nickum (Sat 6),

Flamingos: Felicity Cogswell (Fri, Sat 1), Eliza Germeroth, Glaleanna Kilman, Evangeline Lester, Evelyn Patton, Elsie Ubben (Sat 6), Annabelle Weed

Painting Cards: Catherine Eastman (Fri, Sat 6), Charlie Matthies, Kateryna Sheshatska, Amelia Sofia Quirindongo, Jane Whiting (Sat 1)

Royal Court: Lillie Belanger (Fri, Sat 6), Reagan Bowers (Fri, Sat 6), Emily Bybee, Isabella Valentina Cofaru (Sat 6), Emma Cogswell (Sat 6), Ava Delgado (Sat 1), Norah Edgar (Sat 1), Laurel Farber (Sat 6), Grace Germeroth (Sat 1), Anna Johnson, Clara Kemp (Fri), Lila Mendenhall, Aurelia Nickum (Sun 1), Eleanor Plenk (Fri, Sat 1), Ema Isabel Quirindongo, Juliet Rauls (Sat 6), Hana Schmidt (Fri), Rowan Schneider (Fri, Sat 6), Lakin Spohn (Sat 1), Taylor Sturgell (Fri), Ruby Wilderman (Sat 6), Maya Young (Fri, Sat 1)

Queen of Hearts: Scott Elliott

King of Hearts: Abigail Haag (Fri, Sat 6), Owen Plenk (Sat 1)

Knave of Hearts: Joseph Wallen

Cards: Hannah Barron (Fri, Sat 6), Maddy Brown (Fri, Sat 6), Catherine Eastman Sloane Heslip, Colette Jewell (Fri, Sat 6), Melany Kubowicz (Sat 1), Clara Levine, Charlie Matthies, Cori Nickum, Amelia Sofia Quirindongo, Molly Reagan-Wilson, Norah Richardson, Gianna Roberto, Kateryna Sheshatska (Fri, Sat 6), Simeon Sheshatskyi (Sat 1), Lilah Sollenberger, Allie Truckenbrod, Jane Whiting, Allie Wray, Carter Youtsey (Sat 1)

Hedgehogs: Minna Germeroth (Sat 6), Gianna Roberto, Kateryna Sheshatska, Carter Youtsey (Fri, Sat 1)

Lobsters: Felicity Cogswell, Eliza Germeroth, Glaleanna Kilman, Evangeline Lester, Evelyn Patton, Kateryna Sheshatska (Sat 6), Elsie Ubben, Annabelle Weed, Carter Youtsey (Fri, Sat 1)

Tweddle-dee: Owen Plenk (Fri, Sat 6), Lillie Belanger (Sat 1)

Tweddle-dum: Simeon Sheshatskyi (Fri, Sat 6), Reagan Bowers (Sat 1)

Mock Turtle: Ava Delgado (Fri), Clara Kemp (Sat 1), Grace Germeroth (Sat 6)

Sea Turtles: Catherine Eastman (Fri, Sat 6), Sloane Heslip, Clara Levine, Charlie Matthies, Cori Nickum (Sat 1), Norah Richardson (Sat 1), Gianna Roberto, Allie Truckenbrod, Jane Whiting, Allie Wray (Fri, Sat 6)

Croquet Cards: Sloane Heslip, Clara Levine, Charlie Matthies, Norah Richardson, Gianna Roberto, Kateryna Sheshatska, Allie Truckenbrod, Jane Whiting, Carter Youtsey

Cage Cards: Maddy Brown (Fri, Sat 6), Cori Nickum (Fri, Sat 6), Amelia Sofia Quirindongo, Kateryna Sheshatska (Fri, Sat 6), Lilah Sollenberger (Sat 1), Allie Wray (Sat 1), Carter Youtsey (Sat 1)

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LYB Company

Emma Cogswell, Madison Curtis, Ava Delgado, Grace Germeroth, Clara Kemp, Hana Schmidt, Isabel Smyth, Lakin Spohn, Taylor Sturgell, Joseph Wallen, Ruby Wilderman, Lydia Woodward
Lillie Belanger, Reagan Bowers, Emily Bybee, Isabella Valentina Cofaru, Norah Edgar,
Abigail Haag, Anna Johnson, Lila Mendenhall, Aurelia Nickum, Eleanor Plenk,
Ema Isabel Quirindongo, Juliet Rauls, Rowan Schneider, Maya Young

Junior Company

Hannah Barron, Maddy Brown, Abigail Cogswell, Felicity Cogswell, Catherine Eastman,
Laurel Farber, Kenna Gearhart, Eliza Germeroth, Hannah Gunnerson, Sloane Heslip,
Paisley Hicks, Colette Jewell, Glaleanna Kilman, Josephine Kristoff, Melany Kubowicz,
Evangeline Lester, Clara Levine, Charlie Matthies, Addison Moxon, Cori Nickum, Evelyn Patton,
Owen Plenk, Amelia Sofia Quirindongo, Molly Reagan-Wilson, Norah Richardson,
Gianna Roberto, Noelani Segler, Kateryna Sheshatska, Simeon Sheshatskyi, Cataleya Sisneros,
Lilah Sollenberger, Helen Taoka, Allie Truckenbrod, Elsie Ubben, Kate VandenDries,
Annabelle Weed, Charlotte Weiss, Jane Whiting, Allie Wray, Carter Youtsey

Apprentices

Hailey Auck, Chanelle Bergdall, Linnea Bergdall, Alice Castro, Bettina Cherubin, Alice Conrad,
Minna Germeroth, Adelaide Ludwig, Ellie Remer, Olivia Stearns, Sophia Terpstra

For Littleton Youth Ballet

Co-Artistic Directors: Alison Jaramillo and Bobbie Jaramillo

Music: Peter Tchaikovsky, Louis Moreau Gottschalk, Alexander Glazunov, Camille Saint-Saens, Nikolai Rimsky-Korsakov, Aram Khachaturian, Leo Delibes, Ludwig Minkus, Sergei Prokofiev

Choreography: Bobbie Jaramillo and Alison Jaramillo

Additional Coaching: Talia Boresow

Set Design and Construction & Properties: Danielle Belanger, David Jaramillo, Bob Palazzo

Production Manager Emeritus for Littleton Youth Ballet: Robert Harris

Lighting Designer: Robert Harris

Production and Stage Manager: Danielle Belanger

Volunteer Coordinator: Anna Rutter

Lead Volunteers: Rachelle Smyth, Erin Skufca, Sara Cogswell, Carrie Germeroth

Costumes: Anna Rutter, Jennifer Aiken, Kim Clendenen, Kristen Clendenen, Erin Dolezal, Shari Gillette, Delcinea Lutes, Katherine Scoggins

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For Littleton Ballet Academy

Co-Directors: Bobbie Jaramillo, Alison Jaramillo

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Littleton Youth Ballet

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Saturday, November 22: A Christmas Carol with the
Littleton Symphony Orchestra

Monday, December 1 and Tuesday, December 2:
Joy to The World with Jenny Oaks Baker at the Newman
Center (LYB will be performing)

Friday, December 19 to Sunday, December 21:
The Nutcracker at the Joanna Ramsey Theatre



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Friday, December 19th
at 7:30 pm

Saturday, December 20th
at 2:00 pm & 7:30 pm

Sunday, December 21st
at 12:00 pm & 4:00 pm



Tickets are available at
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