



## BRIGETTE GULDBECH

**BALLET & TAP TEACHER**

WSPA ALUMNI CLASS 2009



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Brigette has been dancing since she was three years old. She joined WSPA in 1998 training in tap and musical theater. She later moved on to pursue training in jazz, ballet, modern, Polynesian. She made it to the company levels in all her dance disciplines where she participated at the competition level. She has had the opportunity to compete in tap and jazz solos, as well as small groups in ballet, tap, and jazz. From 2000-2006 she participated in the WSPA annual Nutcracker performance where she played the roles of the Party Scene Tapping Toy Soldier, Snow, Spanish Maiden, Geranium and Chelsea's Friends. In the Summer of 2008, she was one of the delegates who toured with WSPA on the island of Macau in China. She joined the teaching staff in 2003 teaching ballet & tap combination classes. With 15 years of experience instructing ballet & tap classes, she is a very dedicated and creative teacher for the ages 3-6, with her specialty in tap choreography. She graduated from California State University Monterey Bay with her Master's in Business Administration.



## ALINA PEREZ

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Alina started dancing at the age of 2 with ballet, jazz, and tap but has since fostered a love for hip hop dance and related styles, including house, waacking, popping, and tutting.

Alina joined APT in 2021 at the age of 11 and is currently in her third season with the team. She is proud to have been named WSPA's Junior Hip Hop Outstanding Student of the Year for the 2021-2023 seasons.

Outside of WSPA, Alina is an intermediate/advanced Hip Hop teacher at City Dance in San Francisco and a member of the NBA Golden State Warriors Jr. Jam Squad. She has competed at Hip Hop International, World of Dance, and Body Rock Jr. Alina has also performed in the Hip Hop Halloween and Nutcracker productions and San Francisco International Hip Hop DanceFest.



## EMMA HIGA

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Emma Higa has been a student at WSPA for 10 years and has been dancing since she was 4. She trains in Ballet, Contemporary, Hip-hop, and Polynesian. She has participated in various dance competitions, such as NYCDA, Onstage, In10sity, Heiva I San Diego 2019, and Heiva I Kauai 2023. She is also a teacher's aide, and has been for the past 3 years. She hopes that she can inspire people to develop a passion for dance.





## MIA GOGNA

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Mia Gogna has trained in ballet since she was two years old. At 11 she came to WSPA and has trained in ballet, contemporary and jazz. These styles have taken her all over the country, for dance competitions such as NYCDA, Onstage and In10sity. For three years she has been a teacher aid for ballet. During that time she learned just how much she loved passing her knowledge and love for dance to the students. And she continues to do that in all the classes she teaches.

