

# Sara Spizzichini

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## Summary of Qualifications

- Training in Ballet/Pointe, Modern, Contemporary, Jazz, Hip Hop, Tap, and Improvisation
- Experience working with and teaching both recreational and competitive students
- Nine years of technical & competitive training with Avondale Dance Centre, Center Stage Dance Studio & Ohio Conservatory of Ballet
- Freelance choreographer for local dance studios in the midwest
- Experience with teaching and choreographing for young adults with special needs
- Organizational, collaborative, memorizational and communication skills

## Experience

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### Dance Instructor & Choreographer

#### Jackson School for the Performing Arts (Canton, OH)

##### 2019-present

- Working with high school students grades 9-12
- Teaching weekly classes in Modern techniques, Tap, & Composition skills
- Dance Team Assistant & Choreographer (Jazz, Hip Hop, etc)

### Assistant Artistic Director & Choreographer

#### New Focus Dance Academy (Canton, OH)

##### 2018-present

- Working with students ages 3-18
- Teaching weekly classes in Creative Movement, Ballet, Modern, Jazz, Tap, Hip Hop, Contemporary, & Improvisation
- Resident Choreographer & Assistant Director to the Competitive Program

### Assistant Director & Choreographer

#### Penn State New Kensington Youth Musical Theater Camp (New Kensington, PA)

##### 2014-present

- Working with students ages 7-18 (including students with physical disabilities)
- Teaching coordination, spacial awareness, musicality, & performance skills
- Emphasis on teamwork, collaboration, & creating a positive and fun environment

### Dance Teacher & Choreographer

#### Thomas Dance Studio (Bridgeville, PA)

##### 2017-2018

- Working with students ages 4-18
- Co-teaching & collaborating on weekly lesson plans & choreography
- Classes taught for creative movement, ballet, jazz, contemporary, and tap
- Providing basics & expanding the knowledge of dance vocabulary as well as coordination, body alignment, technique, creativity, and memorization skills

## Education

### Point Park University

**BFA** 2012-2015