

JUNE NEWS

2024-2025 Season in Review - Our 25th Anniversary!



SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

Isabel Netrosio (L)

Isabel is a soloist with the Dance Works senior performance company. She graduated this June with honors from the Dance Works Chapter of the National Honors Society for Dance Arts (NHSDA). She will be attending Fordham University and the Joffrey Trainee Program in the fall. Congratulations Isabel!

Jackie McLoughlin (R)

Jackie is a soloist with the Dance Works senior performance company. She graduated this June with honors from the Dance Works Chapter of the National Honors Society for Dance Arts (NHSDA). She will be studying nursing at Fairfield University in the fall. Congratulations Jackie!

Spring Showcase at Irvington Theater



Dance Works continues support for the March of Dimes, while recognizing



National Honors Society for Dance Arts (NHSDA) Dance Works chapter members, inductees and those graduating with honors. We recognize students for outstanding artistic merit, leadership and academic achievement in students studying dance, including collaborative teamwork, motivation, and participation in performance, choreography, production & more. 15 of our students were recognized June 1st. A portion of proceeds were donated to the March of Dimes.

Performance in December at Greens At Greenwich, a local assisted living facility.

Dance Works students volunteered their time and put smiles on the faces of residents at the Greens At Greenwich assisted living facility on King Street in Greenwich, Ct.

Dance Works Philanthropy

All Dance Works productions and some of our workshops include philanthropic gestures, raising funds and awareness for great causes. In total over the years, Dance Works has donated in excess of \$115,000 to a variety of 501(c)(3) organizations including The American Cancer Society, The American Red Cross, The Joe Torre Safe At Home Foundation, Make-A-Wish, and many others. Our annual Nutcracker Suite & Holiday Showcase benefits the Blythedale Children's Hospital, with whom we have had a longstanding relationship. Our Student Choreography showcases benefit the Valerie Fund, for children with cancer and blood disorders. Our March invitational, in it's 21st year raised funds this year for My Sister's Place and the Foundation for Women's Cancer Move For Her campaign. Our June end-of-season production benefitted the March of Dimes. For over 25 years Dance Works has provided quality dance education to over 2,000 of Westchester's youth, via classes, workshops and community outreach in schools, with local girl scouts and more.

2024 Nutcracker Suite & Holiday Showcase

On December 8th, 2024 our studio dancers took the stage to entertain their families with the Nutcracker Suite & Holidays Showcase at the Archbishop Stepinac High School in White Plains. Act I featured the *Nutcracker Suite*, opening with the *Party Scene*, and continuing with *Clara's Dream* followers by 10 magical pieces from the *Kingdom of Sweets*. Act II included winter and holiday themed presentations in many idioms of dance including Musical Theater, Lyrical, Acro jazz, Hip Hop, Modern, Contemporary and more.



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June 2025 Showcase includes a dedication to Dance Works' biggest fan.

Cielo V. performs amongst 4 others in "Her", a dedication piece to Dance Works Founder's mom, Carole, who died February 28, 2025 at age 91.



Stunning professionals contribute to the 21st Annual Dance Works Fundraiser Showcase alongside students.



Thomas/Ortiz Dance Company's *Undamely*



Emma Morris in her premier of *You Know How I Feel*

The 21st Annual Dance Works Fundraiser Showcase was held March 16th at the Chappaqua Performing Arts Center.

On March 16, 2025, our studio performed in the 21st annual Dance Works Fundraiser Showcase at the Chappaqua Performing Arts Center in Chappaqua, NY, including special guest performances from Thomas/Ortiz Dance!

A portion of proceeds benefited the Foundation for Women's Cancer (FWC) *Move For Her* campaign, and My Sister's Place. The Foundation for Women's Cancer is a nonprofit organization dedicated to research, increasing public awareness of gynecologic cancer risks, prevention, early detection and optimal treatment. My Sister's Place, another nonprofit, strives to end domestic violence and human trafficking through comprehensive services, advocacy, and community education, that every individual has the basic human right to be free from gender-based violence and to engage in relationships that embrace the basic principles of respect, equity and safety.



Dance Works Senior, Isabel Netrosio, performs a *Kitri Variation* at the 21st annual Dance Works Fundraiser Showcase, March 16th at the Chappaqua Performing Arts Center.