



January 30th, 2022  
2:00pm

Featuring:  
Company North Crest  
with guest performance by  
North Crest Recreational Dancers

## Company North Crest Cast

### **Core; Ballet & Jazz**

**Debut**  
Aubrey Bacher  
Harper Curtis  
Priscilla Feia  
Katelyn Hegge  
Sophia McCulloch  
Avery Morrison  
Estelle Nathe  
Skylar Schwarrock  
Paige Tomczik

**Premiere**  
Ryleigh Becker  
Alivia Blissenbach  
Lindsey Crandall  
Abby Guzek  
Ella Montag  
Sophia Montag  
Kendyl Nicolas  
Danica Peterson  
Hannah Skramsted  
Lillian Vig  
Cassidy Welter

**Junior & Senior**  
Ella Blissenbach  
Joey Guzek  
Kylie Johnson  
Aubrey Loberg  
Natalie Monroe  
Kenley Nicolas  
Jaxon Teska

**Elite**  
Rebekah Dobbs  
Alivia Pappenfus  
Rachel Skramsted  
Cadence Welter  
Caylin Zins

### **Hip-Hop**

**Novice**  
Aubrey Bacher  
Harper Curtis  
Priscilla Feia  
Katelyn Hegge  
Sophia McCulloch  
Avery Morrison  
Estelle Nathe  
Skylar Schwarrock  
Paige Tomczik

**Intermediate**  
Ryleigh Becker  
Alivia Blissenbach  
Lindsey Crandall  
Abby Guzek  
Ella Montag  
Sophia Montag  
Danica Peterson  
Hannah Skramsted  
Lillian Vig  
Cassidy Welter

**Advanced**  
Ella Blissenbach  
Joey Guzek  
Kylie Johnson  
Aubrey Loberg  
Natalie Monroe  
Jaxon Teska

**Superior**  
Rebekah Dobbs  
Alivia Pappenfus  
Rachel Skramsted  
Cadence Welter  
Caylin Zins

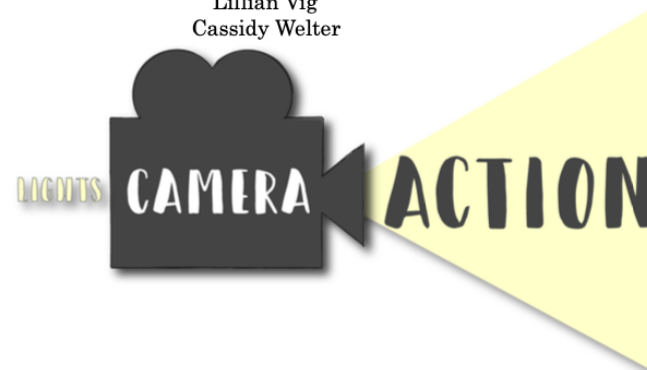
### **Lyrical**

**Novice**  
Aubrey Bacher  
Harper Curtis  
Priscilla Feia  
Katelyn Hegge  
Sophia McCulloch  
Avery Morrison  
Estelle Nathe  
Skylar Schwarrock  
Paige Tomczik

**Intermediate**  
Ryleigh Becker  
Alivia Blissenbach  
Lindsey Crandall  
Abby Guzek  
Ella Montag  
Sophia Montag  
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**Superior**  
Rebekah Dobbs  
Alivia Pappenfus  
Rachel Skramsted  
Cadence Welter  
Caylin Zins



## Tap

### Novice

Aubrey Bacher  
Harper Curtis  
Priscilla Feia  
Katelyn Hegge  
Sophia McCulloch  
Avery Morrison  
Estelle Nathe  
Skylar Schwarzrock  
Paige Tomczik

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Hannah Skramsted  
Lillian Vig  
Cassidy Welter

### Advanced

Aubrey Loberg  
Kenley Nicolas  
Jaxon Teska  
Caylin Zins

### Superior

Joey Guzek  
Natalie Monroe  
Rachel Skramsted

## Pre-Company

### Showstoppers

Adyleigh Hinnenkamp  
Carly Lee  
Esme Nathe  
Evah Salazar  
Nikolai Vig  
Avery Zins

### Broadway Babies

Piper Anderson  
Brinley Crandall  
Lillia Fillbrandt  
Arrietty Frederick  
Brinley Gottwalt  
Emmalyn Miller  
Abigail Skramsted



**“Our fate lives  
within us;  
You only have  
to be BRAVE  
enough to  
see it.”  
-Merida, Brave-**

## Dancers in Today's Opening Performance:

Ava Adamson  
Andromeda Anagnos  
Audra Anderson  
Shelby Balfanz  
Cecilia Barby  
Lucy Barby  
Juniper Bistodeau  
Onnaleigha Boody  
Ja'Leah Brooks-Walker  
Nyomi Cheeseman  
Isabella Deadrick  
Alyssa Dukowitz  
Ariana Dvorak  
Sutton Forcier  
Eraya Gilbert  
Elizabeth Graham  
Josey Greene  
Logan Hegge  
Brooklyn Hinnenkamp  
Maggie Hoffmann  
Beatrice Homan  
Delilah Homan  
Maliyah Johnson  
Eleanor Kockler  
Austyn Keehr  
Josie Kolb  
Rory Kolb  
Logan Manderscheid  
Kensley Marks  
Kylee Marks  
Vanessa Martinsen  
Avalyn Meinke  
Alexis Messer  
Jayda Miller  
Zoey Mills  
Lucy Muehlbauer  
Emersyn Nathe  
Naomi Pennertz  
Samatha Phillips

Claire Quinlan  
Adisyn Ramos  
Dylan Ramos  
Ellie Ramos  
Oliver Ramos  
Aamiyah Robinson  
Claire Rood  
Adalye Salazar  
Aliza Schmitz  
Kayla Schnider  
Taya Schreifels  
Zaelyn Smallwood  
Aubrielle Spoden  
Greta Swanson  
Gretel Tomasek  
Ashy Vosberg  
Aeva Warren  
Lineya Williams

### Director:

Olivia Boser

### Teachers:

Maddie Boser  
Tierney Hammer  
Anne Howard  
Rachel Skramsted



## Act I. Oscar Awards

### 1. Beyond the Sea - Finding Nemo

Recreational Ballet / Tap 1; Choreographer: Miss Olivia

### 2. Remember Me - Coco

Recreational Jazz / Hip Hop 1; Choreographer: Miss Olivia

### 3. Let It Go - Frozen

Recreational Ballet / Tap 2; Choreographer: Miss Maddie

### 4. Song Of The Heart - Happy Feet

Recreational Jazz / Hip Hop 2; Choreographer: Miss Maddie

### 5. Hallelujah - Shrek

Recreational Ballet / Tap 3; Choreographer: Miss Tierney

### 6. Immortals - Big Hero 6

Recreational Jazz / Hip Hop 3; Choreographer: Miss Tierney

### 7. Brave - Ballet Production

Choreographer: Ana Freire

Merida: Cadence Welter

Young Merida: Alivia Blissenbach

Queen Elinor: Rebekah Dobbs

King Fergus: Joey Guzek

Mor'du: Natalie Monroe

Nurse/Angus: Alivia Pappenfus

Witch: Kylie Johnson

Harris, Hubert & Hamish: Aubrey Loberg, Jaxon Teska and Caylin Zins

Dingwall Clan Suitor: Caleb Skramsted

MacGuffin Clan Suitor: Adrian Ramos

Macintosh Clan Suitor: Cassidy Welter

Crows: Broadway Babies & Showstoppers

Dingwall Clan & Tapestry: Debut

MacGuffin Clan & Will-o'-the-Wisp: Premier

Macintosh Clan: Junior, Senior & Elite

I. Opener/Touch the Sky

II. Fate and Destiny

III. Merida and Parents

IV. The Games

V. Remember to Smile

VI. Merida Rides Away

VII. Witch's Cottage

VIII. Mor'du and King

IX. Through the Castle

X. Into the Open Air

XI. Legends are Lessons

XII. Get the Key

XIII. We Both Changed

XIV. Finale

## Brave Synopsis

Princess Merida of the clan Dunbroch is given a bow and arrow by her father, King Fergus for her sixth birthday to the dismay of her mother, Queen Elinor. While venturing into the woods to fetch an arrow, Merida encounters a will-o'-the-wisp. Soon afterward, Mor'du, a huge demon bear, attacks the family. Merida flees on horseback with Elinor, while Fergus fends off Mor'du.

Ten years later, Merida, now sixteen years old, discovers that she is to be betrothed to the son of one of her father's allies. Elinor explains that failure to consent to the betrothal could harm Dunbroch, reminding Merida of a legend of a prince whose pride and refusal to follow his father's wishes destroyed his kingdom.

The allied clans and their first-born sons arrive to compete in the Highland games for Merida's hand in marriage. Merida twists the rules, announcing that as her own clan's first born she is eligible to compete for her own hand. She easily bests her suitors in an archery contest, shaming the other clans, and after a heated disagreement with Elinor and slicing the family tapestry, she runs away into the forest. Will-o'-the-wisps appear, leading her to the hut of an elderly witch. Merida bargains for a spell to change her fate, and the witch gives her an enchanted cake.

When Merida gives Elinor the cake, it transforms her into a bear, unable to speak but still retaining most of her human consciousness. Merida returns to the witch's cottage with Elinor, only to find it deserted, and discovers a message from the witch: unless Merida is able to "mend the bond torn by pride" before the second sunrise, the spell will become permanent. Merida and Elinor are led by the wisps to ancient ruins, where they encounter Mor'du. Realizing that Mor'du was the prince in the legend, Merida vows that she will not let the same thing happen to her mother, and concludes she needs to repair the family tapestry she damaged during their argument.

They return to the castle to find the clans on the verge of war. Merida intends to relent and declare herself ready to choose a suitor as tradition demands, but Elinor prompts her instead to insist that the firstborns should be allowed to marry in their own time to whomever they choose. The clans agree, breaking tradition but renewing and strengthening their alliance.

Merida sneaks into the tapestry room with Elinor, while Fergus, looking for his wife, finds out she's gone. Elinor, who is losing her humanity, attacks Fergus, but suddenly regains her composure and flees the castle. Mistaking the queen for Mor'du and thinking it has eaten his wife, Fergus pursues the bear with the other clans, locking Merida in the castle. Merida escapes with the assistance of her identical triplet brothers, Harris, Hubert, and Hamish, who have also eaten the enchanted cake and are now bear cubs. Merida repairs the tapestry and rides out after her father. Fergus and the clans capture Elinor, but Merida thwarts them before the real Mor'du arrives. Mor'du batters the clan warriors and targets Merida, but Elinor intercedes, holding off Mor'du and causing him to be crushed. Merida covers her mother in the repaired tapestry. As the sun rises for the second time, Merida realizes the mistakes she has made and reconciles with Elinor, unknowingly fulfilling the true meaning of the witch's message and reversing the spell's effects on her mother and brothers.



## Act II. Tony Awards

### 8. King of New York - Newsies

*Advanced/Superior Tap*

*Choreographer: Miss Olivia*

### 9. I'm A Believer – Shrek The Musical

*Intermediate Tap*

*Choreographer: Miss Olivia*

### 10. Fabulous Feet – The Tap Dance Kid

*Showstoppers Tap*

*Choreographer: Miss Nadine and Miss Olivia*

### 11. Tear Down the House – Memphis

*Novice Tap*

*Choreographer: Miss Olivia*

### 12. Bright Side of Life - Spamalot

*Broadway Babies Tap*

*Choreographer: Miss Nadine and Miss Erin*



## Act III. Grammy Awards

### 13. Paint it Black - Rolling Stones Grammy Hall of Fame

*Superior Jazz*

*Choreographer: Miss Michaela*

### 14. Money Money Money - Abba

*Intermediate Jazz*

*Choreographer: Miss Erin*

### 15. Bridge Over Troubled Waters - Simon and Garfunkel

*Novice Lyrical*

*Choreographer: Miss Olivia and Miss Michaela*

### 16. Treasure – Bruno Mars

*Advanced/Superior Hip-Hop*

*Choreographer: Coach David*

### 17. Rainbow – Kacey Musgraves

*Intermediate Lyrical*

*Choreographer: Miss Erin*

### 18. Rain on Me – Lady Gaga

*Novice Jazz*

*Choreographer: Miss Erin*

### 19. No Time – Billie Eilish

*Advanced Jazz*

*Choreographer: Miss Erin*

### 20. Superstitious – Stevie Wonder

*Intermediate Hip-Hop*

*Choreographer: Coach David*

### 21. How Far I'll Go - Moana

*Showstoppers Lyrical*

*Choreographer: Miss Nadine and Miss Erin*

### 22. Perm – Bruno Mars

*Novice Hip-Hop*

*Choreographer: Miss Erin*

### 23. JoAnne – Lady Gaga

*Advanced/Superior Lyrical*

*Choreographer: Miss Michaela and Miss Erin*

### 24. Clocks - Coldplay

*Company Lyrical Production*

*Choreographer: Miss Michaela, Miss Olivia, Miss Erin*

## CNCD Staff

**Olivia Boser**.... is North Crest's Recreational Dance Director and has been involved at North Crest for over 20 years. She grew up in the recreational combo dance and gymnastics programs and the Company dance program. Olivia also taught dance, gymnastics and camp while in high school. She attended college at BSU and SCSU where she majored in Elective studies with a focus in Recreation Programming. Now she is back at North Crest, coaching Company dance, recreational dance and recreational gymnastics. Olivia enjoys watching the children grow and succeed in what makes them happy. She loves creating a relationship with all of the students!

**Shantelle DesMarais**... began her dance training as a recreational student but quickly found a love for competitive dance. As a teenager, Shantelle began traveling across the country during the summer months receiving training from renowned dance conventions and studios such as The Pulse on Tour, Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater, and Broadway Dance Center. Shantelle attended TU Dance and Zenon Dance Company, in St. Paul & Mpls. Shantelle competed at the varsity level on her high school gymnastics team and began coaching both dance and gymnastics. For the past 6 years Shantelle has been setting works of choreography for competitive teams. In 2018, Shantelle continued her dance training as a member of the St. Cloud State University Dance Team. She is currently in her second season as the assistant varsity coach and the head coach of the JV and B squads of the Sauk Rapids Rice High School Dance Team. She loves teaching the highly technical aspects of dance, gymnastics, and acrobatics, but she also knows that the life lessons her students learn through these disciplines are far more valuable. Her students are constantly in the pursuit of excellence and she knows that they will continue this effort long into adulthood.

**Kathi Dobbs**... grew up in a military family and finding a dance studio was always a priority with each move. She brings 13 years of ballet, 8 years of pointe, 11 years of tap and jazz, and several years of teaching ballet, tap and jazz. She is a mom and a schoolteacher. She has a MN teaching certificate that covers pre-primary, elementary K-6, and early childhood special education. Kathi currently teaches our Company ballet classes and has been on staff with North Crest since 2017.

**Ana Freire Ribeiro**...CNC Ballet choreographer. Ana began teaching ballet & jazz in 1997 in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. In 2002, she received a BA and teaching certification in Dance from UniverCidade in 2002 and while in college, received ballet training in Vaganova Method from teachers of the Kirov Ballet. Ana has a M.S. in Exercise Science from SCSU and a PhD in Exercise physiology from the University of Minnesota. Ana has presented and published research on injury prevention for ballet dancers at the American College of Sports Medicine. In addition to her work with Company North Crest, Ana is a wife, mother of 2, and a college professor at Augsburg University and holds certifications in Progressing Ballet Technique and Functional Movement Screen. "Brave" is the 11th ballet that Ana has developed, choreographed and produced for Company North Crest.

**Michaela Keller**... has been a dancer since she was 3 years old and is our Company North Crest Director. She danced at St. Cloud School of Dance and danced for the Sauk Rapids Dance Team during her 4 years of high school. Michaela was a 3-year captain of the St. Cloud State Dance Team and has won 3 National Championships. She was also an assistant varsity coach for the Sauk Rapids Dance Team in 2019. She graduated in Dental Assisting and also works for MN Oral and Facial Surgery. She also taught dance classes over zoom to students in Beijing, China. She has been teaching at North Crest for the past 5 years. Michaela has a lot of passion and dedication to this program. She sets high expectations for her dancers and enjoys watching her dancers grow!

**David (Tuan) Le**... comes with 28 years of dance experience with 19 years of that teaching at various studios. David is specialized in hip-hop and breakdancing. He had his start in teaching when he was 17 years old, interestingly at a ballet studio that wanted to offer hip-hop classes back in his hometown of Austin, MN. At the age of 19, he began teaching for Just for Kix in Austin and then eventually at the St. Cloud and Brainerd studios while he attended St. Cloud State. David also created and ran a breakdancing organization at St. Cloud State during his college career. This organization performed all over the community such as the Boys and Girls Club, Country Manor, and many other events in and around the St Cloud Community. At North Crest, David is our Company Hip-Hop instructor and also assists with acro. He instills not only dance and gymnastic skill sets, but a strong and positive mindset that these dancers can take outside of North Crest to apply in their lives.

**Erin Nelson**... has been dancing since she was 8 years old, beginning her training at St. Cloud Just For Kix. She then went on to be a five-year team member of the Sauk Rapids Dance Team, where she was a captain for 3 years. Erin is currently a sophomore studying Earth & Space Science Education at St. Cloud State University. She is also on the St. Cloud State University Dance Team, where she and the team have together won three national championships. In 2020, Erin taught dancers from Beijing, China over Zoom. This is Erin's second year of teaching at North Crest, where she works with the Pre-Company and Company dancers. Erin is so excited to watch the dancers grow this season!

**Nadine Studer Maiers**... grew up and studied dance in St. Cloud. Her main training was in San Francisco where she performed in a professional jazz troupe. After moving back to Minnesota, she and her husband Tom created North Crest Gymnastics & Dance in 1993. They built the current location (now North Crest Kids Activity Center) in 1999. Paula Stone, now North Crest's co-owner, was Nadine's right hand, and her husband Chris, helped tremendously with music, recording and sound. After Tom's stroke in 2009 the business changed hands and now is in Paula and Chris's tender care. After a short hiatus, Nadine returned to develop and share her passion for dance at North Crest as a consultant, dance teacher and yoga instructor. She is extremely grateful to be back "home" and loves working with your dancers!

### Special Thanks to...

Ana Freire Ribeiro – “Brave” choreographer and producer

Paula Stone – Owner

Chris Stone – Owner, Sound Technician

Nadine Studer-Maiers – North Crest Founder

Chuck Norwood – Lighting

Melissa Peterson – Artwork

Amanda Johnson – Seamstress

Garret Louis Productions- Videography

Our dedicated North Crest Staff

All Volunteers

CNCD Booster Club

## Our Mission

Our mission is to offer high quality instruction in the art form of dance and to perform this art with-in the community and beyond.

We strive to teach a community feeling among our members in a wholesome, positive and fun atmosphere. While working hard to develop dance skills, we hope to also instill life skills in our dancers.

Company North Crest proudly presents, *Puttin On The Glitz!* For this show, we will be featuring a classical ballet based on Disney Pixar’s, “Brave”. This production expresses the message of finding strength in the face of adversity and the importance of family.

Company North Crest features dancers ages 6-17 with choreography that highlights their gifts.

*Chris and Paula Stone have been the owners of North Crest since the summer of 2014. Paula started very early on with North Crest and taught preschool gymnastics & dance, was the office manager, camp director and their academic preschool director as well, before becoming the owner. Chris was always involved through his kids, but now as owner, performs maintenance repairs and other odd jobs that keep the facility running smoothly.*



*“We exist to serve others, modeling Christ-like attributes in leading individuals to inspire others that through an unconditional belief in them, kids can do amazing things! We are excited to share this winter show with you! Enjoy!”*

**Live action photos by Todd Myra Photography**  
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order and pre-pay. Also available at  
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