

Miss Dani

Competition Director

Danielle Bagenstose is a dancer, choreographer, educator, and co-founder of Shift Movement Collective. Her early dance training included Ballet, Modern, Jazz, Lyrical, Tap, Hip Hop, and Acrobatics. In high school, she studied at the Pennsylvania Performing Arts Center where she began teaching at the age of 14. Danielle received her B.A. in dance from the University of North Texas in 2009 and later attended Texas Woman's University for graduate studies in dance. While in Texas, she danced with Outstanding Balance and Firewalk Dance Companies in addition to the UNT and TWU dance departments, which performed throughout Texas as well as New York City. She returned to Pennsylvania in 2011 where she teaches recreational, competitive, and pre-professional dancers. In 2015, she joined Monarch Dance Company and has already performed in New York City, Washington, D.C., and Lehigh Valley. Danielle has also choreographed for Monarch's pre-professional second company, Mariposa, and the Dance Ensemble at Northampton Community College. Her work has been shown in Bethlehem, PA, New York, NY, and Washington, D.C. Recently, Miss Dani was selected as one of 25 emerging choreographers showcased in Ballet Inc's The Series: Vol. I, where Shift debuted her piece "Rest/less: II" at the Manhattan Movement and Arts Center in New York City.