



## Dina Zinni

Dance Instructor

Dina Zinni graduated from the University of Florida with a Bachelor's degree in Astronomy, as well as Minors in Physics, and Dance. In addition to teaching at i-Dance Studio, Dina is also the Assistant Director at the Kika Silva Pla Planetarium, at Santa Fe College. Dina began her dance training at the age of 13, at ArtStage Performing Arts Center. She studied in a variety of forms including ballet, jazz, modern, acrobatics, lyrical, and hip-hop. Heavily inspired by modern dance, Dina now incorporates the angular, progressive style of Martha Graham, and the structured, classical movements of Paul Taylor, as well as many other modern dance pioneers. She has instructed dance at other competition studios, as well as performance art centers. Dina has also held an officer position, and choreographed several pieces for UF's original student-run dance company, Floridance. Dina's long-term goal in dance is to become a well-known choreographer, and have her own professional modern dance company, which integrates planetariums, astronomy, and modern dance. Dina says "I am so happy to be a part of the i-Dance family, and I hope to continue to bring exciting and inspirational movement into these young dancers' lives. My motto is 'Do in life what makes you happy, otherwise what is the pointe in doing it?' -pun intended!"