



Dina Zinni

Dance Instructor

Dina Zinni is a graduate of the University of Florida, receiving her Bachelor's degree in Astronomy, along with a Minor in Physics, and a Minor in Dance. She is the Assistant Coordinator at the Kika Silva Pla Planetarium by day, and an Instructor at IndepenDance Studio by night!

Dina began her dance training at the age of 13, at ArtStage Performing Arts Center. She studied a variety of styles including ballet, jazz, modern, acrobatics, lyrical, and hip-hop. Heavily inspired by modern dance, she enjoys teaching the angular-progressive styles of Martha Graham, the structured-classical movements of Paul Taylor, and several other stylized techniques of numerous modern dance pioneers. Dina is also a certified Acrobatic Arts Instructor, and teaches with a strict and progressive curriculum, allowing students to combine acrobatics and dance in a beautiful, efficient, and safe way.

One of Dina's favorite things about dance is to choreograph. As an officer for Floridance, UF's original student-run dance company, Dina created several group pieces, and collaborated with other artists. Dina's long-term goal in dance is to become a professional choreographer, and have her own Modern Dance Company, which integrates planetariums, the sciences, and Contemporary-Modern dance.

Dina says "I am so happy to be a part of the i-Dance family, and I hope to continue bringing exciting and inspirational movement into these young dancers' lives. My motto is 'Do in life what makes you happy, otherwise what is the point in doing it?' -pun intended!"