

Mackenzie Derrick

- Pursuing MS in Sustainability and Ecology
- BA in Communication and Sustainability; Minor in Dance Arts
- Assistant Director at Konomi Dance Works
- Multiple Style Instructor for WDC, Golden Dance, and Elite Dance Academy
- Studied and Danced with:
 - Rocky Mountain Dance
 - Campbell's Dance
 - Artistic Fusion
 - Colorado Contemporary
 - Dance 2 Be
 - Mark Mesmer
 - Travis Hall

Miss Mackenzie's Fun Facts!

- Has backyard chickens
- Is a beekeeper
- Travels a lot!



As a “pretty much native, Coloradan” Mackenzie (she/her) grew up in Arvada, Colorado. She has been dancing since the age of two and been competing with dance groups since the age of 4. Prior to teaching at Westminster, she taught at other studios throughout the Colorado and Maui area. While having an extensive competitive dancing career, Mackenzie also performed in state and national championships and shows throughout the US and the United Kingdom.

She has completed her BA and is currently pursuing an MS in Sustainability and Ecology. Besides dance she has ran track in University and has coached other sports. She is exited to work with the Westminster community and continue to work and teach dance!

Amy Shilakes

- Started Dance at the Age of 3
- Performed in Balletic Roles such as The Nutcracker Ballet
- Bachelor of Arts in Dance from Western Michigan University
- Mother of 2 Boys
- Trained and Danced with:
 - Taylor Dance Program
 - Ballet Americana
 - Twyla Tharp Dance Company
 - George Faison

Miss Amy's Fun Facts!

- Placed 3rd in Michigan Artistic Figure Roller Skating Competition at Age 13
- Birthday is Valentine's Day!



★ Amy grew up dancing in Taylor, Michigan at the age of 3. She attended Taylor Dance Program and Ballet Americana at her local recreation center. There Amy studied Classical Ballet, Pointe, Jazz/Lyrical, Hip-Hop, Tap, Tahitian, and Poms. While performing with Ballet Americana, she had the wonderful experience of dancing in various balletic roles. The Nutcracker Ballet of course being her absolute favorite!

After graduating high school she attended Western Michigan University where she studied Dance for a Bachelor of Arts degree. At WMU, Amy studied Modern, Ballet, Jazz, and Tap. While in college she had the pleasure of working with the Twyla Tharp Dance Company and George Faison from The Wiz. Amy is married and has 2 school-aged boys who always keep her busy. She is also an active member of the community and is so excited to be a part of the dance program!

Anna Osborn Dolan

- U.S. Twirling Association Certified Coach and Level III Judge
- Coached State, Regional, and National Champion Twirlers and Twirling Teams
- Feature Twirler for Denver Broncos for Ten Years
- Feature Twirler for the University of Northern Colorado and Westminster High School
- Director of Communications for U.S. Twirling Association

Miss Anna's Fun Facts!

- Loves to Play Whirly Word
- Ran a Half-Marathon in 2015
- Went Bungee Jumping Once!



Anna Osborn Dolan loves working with children and helping them have fun and discover the challenges and rewards of the sport of baton twirling. For more than 40 years, she has coached both recreational and competitive twirlers, including many who have won state, regional or national titles. Many of her students have twirled for their high schools and some have gone on to twirl for their college or university. Along the way, Ms. Anna helps her twirlers develop self-confidence, positive self-esteem and valuable life skills, including perseverance, time management, good sportsmanship and teamwork.

Ms. Anna knows how much fun twirling is because she has twirled all her life. She was a feature twirler for Westminster High School and the University of Northern Colorado "Pride of the Rockies" Marching Band. She was also the feature twirler for the Denver Broncos for ten years, performing for 76,000 fans during home games at Mile High Stadium. That's why she loves to find opportunities for her students to perform in local parades and community events, including the Broomfield Days Parade, the Louisville Parade of Lights, Westy Fest, University of Colorado and Metro State University basketball games and more.

Haley Lena

- Senior at Metropolitan State University; Majoring in Journalism with a Minor in Criminal Justice
- Dance Background: Ballet and Lyrical
- Competitive Twirler for 18 Years
- Coach for 5 Years
- Trained with:
 - Colorado Twirls
- Performed at:
 - Metropolitan State University
 - Colorado University
 - Highlands Ranch Parades
 - Disney World Parade

Miss Haley's Fun Facts!

- Draws human portraits
- Loves all animals
- Still has her very first baton from 2 years old!



Haley is the assistant instructor for the beginner, intermediate, and advanced baton twirling classes. She has been twirling for 20 years and has competed at state, regional, and national competitions in individual and team events. She has placed in the Top 10 for her age and level multiple times individually and won first place with her pairs partner. Haley was the feature twirler at Rock Canyon High School in Highlands Ranch, Colorado where she performed in the marching band, parades, basketball games and twirled fire baton at school bonfires. Haley has also performed at Metropolitan State University and Colorado University basketball games. She is currently attending Metropolitan State University studying Journalism and Criminal Justice. She loves teaching kids the sport of baton twirling and is excited to continue!

Cheryl Osborne

- City of Westminster Twirling Coach since 1997
- Coached State, Regional and National Champion Twirlers and Twirling Teams
- Feature Twirler for Westminster High School and Jobs Daughters Drum and Bugle Corps
- Denver Broncos Twirler - Original Denver Broncos Bronc-ettes Member
- U.S. Twirling Association Coach
- Colorado Baton Council:
 - Past President
 - Current Awards Chairperson

Miss Cheryl's Fun Facts!

- Loves Chocolate Milk!
- Build Baton Twirling Trophies in her Garage!
- Rode a Segway through Austin Texas!



Cheryl Osborn has been helping children have fun, develop poise and self-confidence and improve their fitness, flexibility and hand-eye coordination through the sport of baton twirling for more than 60 years. From the five-year-old who's trying twirling for the first time, to the student with special needs, to the advanced athlete, Ms. Cheryl makes twirling fun for everyone! Her gentle, patient nature makes her a perfect coach for recreational twirlers, while her expertise has helped many competitive students and teams excel.

Ms. Cheryl has coached hundreds of athletes. They have performed in local parades and entertained at community events, including the Broomfield Days Parade, the Louisville Parade of Lights, Westy Fest and Metropolitan State University basketball games. Her twirlers have won state, regional and national twirling titles. But most importantly, they have developed important life skills - including self-discipline, time management and teamwork - which have helped them succeed in many ways outside the sport of baton twirling.

Kira Fikes

- Kira speaks French and ranked nationally in the 2019 National French Exam
- Kira rescued a chihuahua mix in 2020 and states that it is both the best and worst decision she has made
- Kira believes that dance should be an inclusive and supportive environment regardless of race, weight, sex, age, or ability.
- Kira spent 16 years in a small town outside of Syracuse, NY. Go Orange!
- Kira loves mysteries and thrillers, and her favorite author is James Patterson!



Kira Fikes (she/ her/ hers) moved to Colorado in 2020 from New York. Kira has experience dancing non-competitively since elementary school. After taking a 6 year break from dancing, Kira rediscovered her love for dance while in recovery from an eating disorder. Kira began to take classes at Westminster City Park in late 2020 and has grown tremendously since.

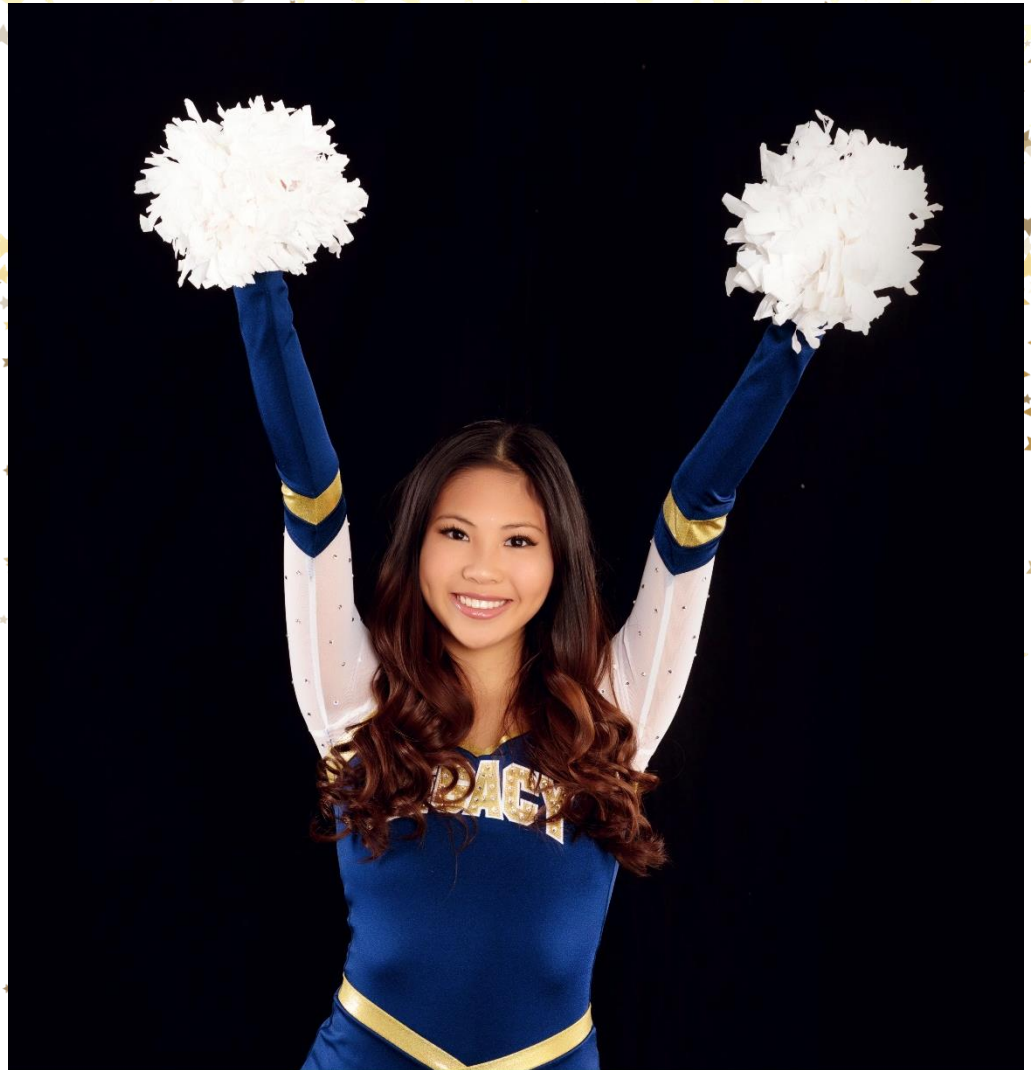
Kira is a senior at Hidden Lake High School and has been recognized for her academic achievements throughout middle and high school. Kira plans on attending MSU or CU Denver for Biology in the fall of 2022 to begin her journey to medical school. Kira has recognized the immense differences that dancing has made in her life in such a short time. She hopes that the future of the dance community can find comfort and support in dancing that Kira has found herself.

Michaela Larson

- Student at Rocky Mountain Lutheran High School
- Dancer, Cheerleader, Gymnast, and Pom Girl
- Helped Coach and Choreograph for Shepherd of the Valley Cheer
- Trained and Danced with the Westminster Dance Company

Miss Michaela's Fun Facts!

- Wants to become an elementary teacher
- Avid Hiker
- Loves Travel



Michaela is 16 years old and is currently in her junior year of high school at Rocky Mountain Lutheran High School. She has been dancing with Westminster Dance since she was 11 years old. Outside of dance, Michaela has experience with cheerleading, poms, and gymnastics. With her teaching skills she has helped coach Shepherd of the Valley cheer for two years and has also choreographed and coached routines for them.

Michaela loves working with kids and is so excited to continue her work with children and dance through the Westminster Dance Team!