ABOUT THE ACADEMY

The Joffrey Academy of Dance, Official School of The Joffrey Ballet, is committed to providing students of all ages, levels, and backgrounds who have a desire to dance with a world-class education built on a foundation of classical ballet. With the talents cultivated at the Joffrey Academy, students can pursue careers as professional dancers at companies throughout the world, higher education opportunities in dance, or success in other fields. Through the Joffrey Academy’s programs, students develop a diverse set of skills including artistry, creativity, discipline, and confidence. The Joffrey Academy's high-quality, educational programming forms future audiences and support for the Joffrey and builds the organization's reputation worldwide.

As the official school and only training program of The Joffrey Ballet, we believe that the Academy should be a reflection of the Joffrey Company — America’s preeminent ballet company. Following Robert Joffrey’s vision for training, the Academy is rooted in classical ballet. Taking from the English, Russian, and French techniques, amongst others, the Academy’s curriculum gives students a well-rounded and comprehensive dance education, fully preparing them for today’s dance world. The Academy’s training syllabi have been carefully crafted and reviewed by The Mary B. Galvin Artistic Director Ashley Wheater and the Academy Artistic Team. The training offered at the Academy generates technically strong, artistically creative, and well-versed students who will excel in their future careers.

Located in the heart of Chicago’s theater district, the 20,000 square foot Exelon Education Center, which is home to the Academy, boasts state-of-the-art studios in Joffrey Tower. The Joffrey Academy received the distinguished honor of being named Outstanding School in 2010, 2012, and 2015 by the Youth America Grand Prix, the world’s largest international student ballet competition. The Joffrey Academy also received the Boeing Game Changer Award in recognition of its efforts to make dance accessible to all.

Joffrey Academy of Dance, Official School of The Joffrey Ballet, is the only training program owned, operated, or endorsed by The Joffrey Ballet. The Joffrey Ballet is not affiliated with any other dance training or school program, including the Joffrey Ballet School in New York. Chicago’s Joffrey Academy is the only school that follows the organizational mission, training syllabi, and artistic vision of The Joffrey Ballet. No other program, including those holding the Joffrey name, is sanctioned by The Joffrey Ballet.
SUMMER INTENSIVES
Immerse yourself in the challenging and comprehensive training offered at the Joffrey Academy during one of the Summer Intensives. This unique experience offers students an understanding of strong technique and impeccable artistry, as well as the opportunity to participate in exciting field trips around Chicago. Classes are taught by Joffrey Academy Faculty, Artistic Staff of The Joffrey Ballet and the Academy, as well as Joffrey Ballet Company Artists. Housing is offered close by for students coming from out of town, including chaperoned supervision and meal plans. Each program culminates with a performance for family and friends.

PLEASE NOTE
For the safety of all involved, all Summer Intensive participants will be required to provide proof of full vaccination prior to attending. Full details will be provided at time of registration.

ADVANCED SUMMER INTENSIVE: 5 WEEKS
June 19–July 21, 2023
The five-week advanced intensive is designed for serious ballet students ages approximately 12 and older who are aspiring to pursue a professional dance career. Daily classes include ballet technique, pointe, variations, men's class, partnering, and classical repertoire. The program will also include weekly classes in modern, jazz, body conditioning, character, contemporary repertoire, and Pilates.

As a part of this unique experience, students will be offered enrichment seminars. Topics may include: Joffrey history, nutrition, improvisation, injury prevention, and more. Classes are taught by Joffrey Academy Faculty and Artistic Staff of The Joffrey Ballet. There will be a presentation for family and friends at the conclusion of the intensive.

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ADVANCED SUMMER INTENSIVE: 3 WEEKS
July 24–August 11, 2023

In the three-week advanced intensive, intermediate to advanced level students approximately ages 12 and older will be challenged in various disciplines. Daily ballet and pointe technique, as well as variations, classical repertoire, character, body conditioning, contemporary, modern, and jazz are part of the 3-week curriculum. The program culminates with a performance for family and friends.

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JUNIOR SUMMER INTENSIVE: 3 WEEKS
June 26–July 14, 2023

The three-week junior intensive is designed for the serious student approximately 9 to 14 years old who loves to dance.

Daily classes throughout this program include ballet technique, pointe/pre-pointe, classical repertoire, character, jazz, modern, flexibility, and more.

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JUNIOR SUMMER INTENSIVES: 2 WEEKS

The Junior Summer Intensives Levels 1 and 2 are two-week programs designed for the dedicated young dancer who loves ballet. Daily classes include ballet technique, jazz, body conditioning, and more. A presentation for family and friends at the end of each intensive will showcase the students’ hard work and talents.

Junior Summer Intensive Level 2
June 12–June 23, 2023
July 17–July 28, 2023
July 31–August 11, 2023

Junior Summer Intensive Level 2 is a two-week, full-day intensive including a lunch break. This program is designed for students ages 9–11.

2023 PROGRAM FEES
Registration Fee (includes t-shirt) $125
Level 2 Tuition $1,189

Junior Summer Intensive Level 1
July 17–July 28, 2023

Junior Summer Intensive Level 1 is a two-week, half-day intensive designed for students ages 7–10.

2023 PROGRAM FEES
Registration Fee (includes t-shirt) $125
Level 1 Tuition $709
CHICAGO WEEKEND ACTIVITIES*
Whether it is Summer Dance, baseball, or concerts and festivals in the parks, there is always something happening in Chicago!

After a challenging week of dancing, students in the 3 and 5 Week Programs will participate in weekend activities planned by the Joffrey Academy. There are different activities held each Saturday and Sunday of the program to offer students a chance to see the sights and explore the beautiful city of Chicago.

For students who choose to stay in the dorms, weekend activities are required and a non-refundable activities fee will be added. For students who are not staying in the dorms, the weekend activities are optional and are not included in tuition. Local students not staying in the residence hall may opt to add weekend activities and join the dorm students on all of the weekend field trips. Weekend activities are chaperoned by the Joffrey Academy Chaperone Team.

CHICAGO ACTIVITIES PREVIOUSLY INCLUDED

- Fun in the sun at Oak Street Beach
- Navy Pier
- Summer Dance in Millennium Park
- Architectural river boat tour
- Catching a show in the Theater District
- Baseball Game
- Movie Day
- Dinner and Bowling
- Exploring diverse neighborhoods
- Lincoln Park Zoo

*Activities subject to change based on COVID-19 protocols at time of event
SUMMER INTENSIVE HOUSING

Students attending 3 and 5 Week Programs have the option of living at University Center. Located in downtown Chicago at 525 S. State Street, it is just a short walk from Joffrey Tower, restaurants, shopping, and public transportation.

University Center’s boarding fee includes:*

- Shared suite with semi-private bathroom
- Access to lounge areas with kitchenette, laundry facilities, computer center, and fitness center
- Complimentary Wi-Fi
- Breakfast and dinner served daily in University Center's state of the art dining facility
- 24-hour supervision by Joffrey chaperones
- 24-hour on-site security staff and secured entrances

ROOMMATE REQUESTS

Students are only placed with roommates who are attending the same program. Roommate requests are made at the time of housing registration. Both roommates must request each other in order for a roommate request to be considered. The Joffrey Academy cannot guarantee housing space or roommate requests for students who register after the housing and activities deadline.

HOUSING REGISTRATION

Students can register for housing on the Joffrey registration portal online at the time of summer intensive registration or any time before April 1, 2023.

HOUSING PAYMENT DEADLINES

50% DEPOSIT due on or before April 15, 2023
50% BALANCE due on or before May 15, 2023

*Amenities subject to change based on COVID-19 protocols at time of event
The Joffrey Academy programs are taught by the reputable and talented faculty of the Joffrey Academy of Dance, Official School of The Joffrey Ballet. Some students may also be taught by the Artistic Staff of The Joffrey Ballet and Joffrey Ballet Company Artists.

ASHLEY WHEATER MBE
The Mary B. Galvin Artistic Director

OĞULCAN BOROVA
Head of Studio Company and Trainee Program

KATLIN MICHAEL BOURGEOIS
Head of Contemporary Ballet Trainee Program

KARIN ELLIS-WENTZ
Head of Conservatory and Pre-Professional Program

To view the complete Academy Faculty listing, please visit: joffrey.org/education/academy/academy-leadership-and-faculty
JOFFREY HISTORY

The Joffrey Ballet has been hailed as “America’s Ballet Company of Firsts”

The Joffrey Ballet’s long list of “firsts” includes being the first dance company to perform at the White House at Jacqueline Kennedy’s invitation, the first to appear on television, the first classical dance company to go multi-media, the first to commission a rock ‘n’ roll ballet, the first and only dance company to appear on the cover of Time magazine, the first company to have had a major motion picture based on it, Robert Altman’s The Company, and the first U.S. ballet company to livestream video of a rehearsal on YouTube.

For more than a half-century, The Joffrey Ballet’s commitment to taking world-class, artistically vibrant work to a broad and varied audience has created a solid foundation that continues to support the company’s unprecedented capacity for achieving important “firsts.” Today, the Joffrey, which has been hugely successful in its former residences in New York and Los Angeles, lives permanently in its brilliant new facility, Joffrey Tower, in the heart of America, Chicago, Illinois. The company’s commitment to accessibility is met through an extensive touring schedule, an innovative and highly effective education program including the much lauded Joffrey Academy of Dance, Official School of The Joffrey Ballet, and Community Engagement Program, and collaborations with myriad other visual and performing arts organizations.

Classically trained to the highest standards, The Joffrey Ballet expresses a unique, inclusive perspective on dance, proudly reflecting the diversity of America with its company and audiences and repertoire which includes major story ballets, reconstructions of masterpieces, and contemporary works. Founded by visionary teacher Robert Joffrey in 1956, guided by celebrated choreographer Gerald Arpino from 1988 until 2007, The Joffrey Ballet continues to thrive under internationally renowned Mary B. Galvin Artistic Director Ashley Wheater. The Joffrey Ballet has become one of the most revered and recognizable arts organizations in America and one of the top dance companies in the world.