

### STOUGHTON, MA JUDGE



René Giglia

A native of Buffalo, NY, René has worked as a dancer and choreographer for film, television, and stage. She performed at the Michael Landon Awards in NYC, the MTV Movie Awards with the Pussycat Dolls in LA, and choreographed and performed in France for the Cannes Music Festival. She choreographs for world renowned record label, Del Oro Music, in Studio City, CA. René has been seen on T.V. in shows such as The West Wing, Charmed, ER, American Dreams, a judge on Dance Moms, and in the movies The Italian Job, Oh Baby!, and Freaky Friday.

Musical performances include, A Chorus Line (Sheila), The Wild Party (Nadine), Anything Goes (Purity), Oklahoma!, The Who's Tommy (Sally Simpson), and West Side Story under the coaching of George Chakiris. René graduated with a BFA in dance and continued performing, training, and auditioning in Los Angeles. After re-routing back to the East Coast, she teaches ballet, jazz, hip hop, modern, lyrical, contemporary, musical theatre, tap, and continues to adjudicate and teach master classes throughout the US and Canada. René became a licensed instructor for the GYROTONIC® exercise method and has discovered a way to heal past injuries, to improve the skeletal structure, gain muscle tone, and strengthen the cardiovascular system. She also has certifications in Booty Barre and Ultra Barre. Her most rewarding accomplishment by far is being a mommy to two very active children! René is honored to be a part of ADA's team!



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# Courtney Darlington

Courtney Darlington grew up dancing in the Northern Virginia area before attending Virginia Commonwealth University where she received a BFA in Dance and Choreography as well as a minor in Business.

Courtney is a freelance dancer, choreographer, educator and movement coach. Splitting her time between New York and LA, Courtney has appeared in National Commercials, Music Videos, Off Broadway shows, and Feature Films. She has presented work at Jacob's Pillow Dance Festival, worked as a movement director for Dance Magazine, Nordstrom, and Free People. Courtney was the Assistant Choreographer for Dita Von Teese's National Tour as well as the Associate on Sapphira Cristal's National Tour.

Courtney is currently on faculty at Steps In Broadway and continues to share her love of movement and story in both theatrical and commercial realms.



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# Christina Kotsopoulos

Christina Kotsopoulos is originally from Toronto, Ontario. Christina's film and television credits include programs such as Pop IT! (TVO Kids), Lego Girls (Family Channel), The Next Star (YTV), Backstage (Disney), The Boys (Amazon Prime). Christina was titled America's Senior Dancer of the Year in 2014. She studied at SUNY Purchase College Conservatory for Dance and graduated with her Bachelor of Fine Arts with Honors in May 2018. She performed a solo excerpt from Kidd Pivot's repertoire choreographed by Crystal Pite, set by Cindy Salgado. Christina was chosen to study abroad in Amsterdam, Netherlands for a semester at Academie Voor Theater en Dans in the Modern Theater Dance department. Her performance credits include BC/EF Broadway Backwards starring Ariana DeBose, NORMA choreographed by Al Blackstone, Wonderwest by Boot Barn choreographed by Karla Garcia, Tempus choreographed by Derek Piquette, Galderma Cetaphil's Brand Campaign, NYC's fashion week event for XXX, The Pool Party and the opening of Jean-Georges Michelin star restaurant, The Tin Building, directed by Creative Streak Entertainment to name a few. Her music video credits include "Strangers and Thieves" by Jesse Malin, directed by the Kuperman Brothers. Christina has also worked on many commercials including the Genesis Car Reveal, directed by Andrew Winghart and XtendBarre Fitness on the Open Fit App by Andrea Rogers. More recently she was on set as a special skills dancer for the upcoming Jonas Brother's movie, Get Us Home. She has worked on many skeleton crews such as Disney's Zombies 3, Dance Lab NYC, RWS's Step One Dance Company, Al Blackstone's "American in Paris," the Kuperman Brother's "Verona" and "Life and Trust." In addition to performing Christina teaches and adjudicates dance all over North America!



#### STOUGHTON, MA SPECIAL AWARDS JUDGE



Madison Embrey

Madison Embrey grew up dancing at The Dance Shoppe in Michigan under the guidance of Terri Newman and Lauren Lenter. She graduated from Pace University and the Pforzheimer Honors College in NYC as one of the first BFA in Commercial Dance graduates. After a decade of life on tour, she currently resides in Los Angeles.

Favorite performance experiences include arena stunt show Marvel Universe Live!, dancing on Modern Love, Unbreakable Kimmy Schmidt & The Late Show with Stephen Colbert, interviews on Good Morning America, The Today Show & Disney Channel XD, and video game motion capture for Mortal Kombat 11 & Rogue Company. Last year, Madison finished touring the country with the arena stunt show, Jurassic World Live Tour, playing the show's heroine, Dr. Kate Walker. She also did the voiceover for her character!

When Madison isn't performing, she loves investing in her own education while also investing in the next generation as a teacher and judge. Balancing these two things is one of her greatest joys! Madison grew up with American Dance Awards and was ADA's Female Dancer of the Year in 2010. She is so excited to be here sharing with your dancers & helping them create joyful, growth-filled experiences!