

## CONGRATULATIONS to Kathleen, our New Artistic Coordinator!



Halestone teaching artist Kathleen Gale has agreed to become our next Artistic Coordinator for the 2024-25 Season. In this position, she will lead Junior and Senior Company classes, collaborate with guest teaching artists, develop two seasonal performances, and work with Lorelei Pisha, our Executive Director to support and communicate studio curriculum for Halestone dancers and families. A student of Halestone for the past 15 years, Gale brings a practiced knowledge of studio approaches in improvisation, modern and contemporary theories of movement.

Photo: Lilly Kentner 2024

Kathleen danced and honed her movement artistry under past Halestone directors and teaching artists Nancy Saylor, Chanel Smith, Julia Vessey, Bailey Anderson, Mauri Conners, Molly Smith, and Kaitlin Pennington. She's taught clogging and elementary modern classes since 2022, and directed "Obscure Sorrows" and other pieces for Halestone's spring recitals. Kathleen has a passion for integrating visual, performing, and written arts as well as instilling anatomical awareness into her students.



Photo: Brian Hamelman, 2023

*"Over the past few years, I realized not only do I have a passion for dance and performing arts, but specifically for Halestone. We have such a deeply rooted community that has raised me in all aspects of life and I feel like it's time for me to give back."* (K. Gale, 2024)

As one of its own, Halestone is thrilled to offer Kathleen this position. We know the heart of her work this year will be to support unique, artistic voices and authentic creation amongst dancers of all ages and abilities at Halestone.



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Read more in our upcoming newsletter out AUGUST 15 about Halestone alumni who are joining Halestone this season!



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