

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14 • NOON, 3 AND 6 P.M.

WOMEN OF FAITH

RUTH &  
Esther

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# FIDÈLE YOUTH DANCE COMPANY

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## LEADERSHIP

**Mimi McKinnis**

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Fidèle Youth Dance Company

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## WHO WE ARE

Established in 2014, Fidèle Youth Dance Company, part of Turning Pointe Dance, is a Christian, student dance company. FYDC strives to impact our community for His Kingdom through the arts, providing a healthy and Christ-centered training environment with the unique opportunity to be involved in a production and gain pre-professional experience.

Members of Fidèle (French for "faithful") gain valuable experience in a company setting that fosters both a love of Christ and a love of the arts. Students work with guest instructors to expand their vocabulary and

skill sets in dance and acting, giving company members the tools and experience they need to continue dancing professionally, be it in a performance company, in the missions field, in college and beyond. Members also participate in the creation of original productions, providing the unique experience of learning to build a performance from the ground up.

Each year, members of FYDC perform an original, full-length and faith-based production with the intention of spreading the gospel through performance.

# OUTREACH & SERVICE

FYDC is committed to serving as Christ's hands and feet in our community. Students perform at senior centers, homeless shelters, memory care facilities, rehabilitation centers, low-income housing communities, arts festivals and other events with the mission of using the arts to shine the light of Christ.

In addition to performance, students go beyond dance to serve our community by partnering with organizations including Care and Share Food Bank for Southern Colorado, Compassion International, COS I Love You, Springs Rescue Mission and All Things Possible Ministries.

To date, Fidèle has donated more than 2,000 pounds of food to Care and Share Food Bank, built more than 1,500 care boxes for low-income seniors, and participated in a studio-wide drive that

collected more than 150 pounds of bedding and towels for Springs Rescue Mission's shelter and resource center.

Members of the company have also served the community by cleaning local parks and trails, and participating in charity walks and city-wide prayer services. Last season, students raised more than \$650 for All Things Possible Ministries, whose mission is to restore those affected by trauma in war-torn regions.

In addition, FYDC partners with STARZ Theater Company on a service project each season, packing and distributing lunch and supply bags to hundreds of low-income students and neighbors in need across Colorado Springs.

*What good is it, my brothers, if someone says he has faith but does not have the works?*

— James 2:14

In addition, Company members are assigned to prayer groups, encouraging friendships and spiritual bonds that transcend studio space. As a group, FYDC participates in outreach and service projects each season that minister to our community and work through Bible studies that pertain to each annual production, taking the lessons learned in the classroom and translating them into the hands and feet of Christ, shining His light on the stage, to each other and in the world.





# BE A PART OF OUR VISION

**Audition for a role in FYDC's 2021 production:  
Saturday, April 17, or Saturday, June 5  
at Turning Pointe Dance.**

**[FideleYouthDanceCompany.com/Auditions](https://FideleYouthDanceCompany.com/Auditions)**

**Sponsor FYDC's 2021 season:**

**Support FYDC by becoming a community partner,  
corporate sponsor or member of our prayer team.**

**[FideleYouthDanceCompany.com/Sponsorship](https://FideleYouthDanceCompany.com/Sponsorship)**

**Together we can impact our community for  
His Kingdom through the arts.**

# TO OUR 2020 CAST: .....

"I'm excited to see the Lord at work. What a privilege to be a part!"

As Ms. Tina spoke those final words into the discussion that lead to choosing our 2020 production, our hearts were at peace. We were gearing up for "Out of Egypt." Businesses were open. No one had heard of Zoom and there was plenty of toilet paper on the shelves. We trusted the Lord and His direction for the next production, knowing each student would be chosen "for such a time as this." I don't think any of us could have prepared for how "this" would actually look.

We chose two Biblical stories and brainstormed a way to tie them together — something to bring continuity to the performance. After pouring over the scriptures and covering each concept in prayer, it was clear. These were women of faith. This was our theme, divinely chosen as the centerpoint for the 2020 season. After all, Fidèle is French for "faithful."

Throughout this remarkable season, we've all needed to have faith. Faith that we could hold auditions. Faith that we could rehearse and perform. Faith in His provision over our health and safety as we saw this season through. As we faced unpredictable obstacles in an unprecedented year, in our own ways, we were all called up as people of faith, just like the heroines of our stories.

To our students: Thank you for showing up week after week, having faith in this process, and trusting His plan for our season.

To our families: Thank you for having faith in our company, and for your patience and grace as we've navigated uncharted waters.

One day I'll elaborate on the challenges we faced this season — the doors that closed, the countless unknowns and the variances, mandates and state requirements that changed almost daily. While it all looks different than what we first envisioned, I can see His hand in every detail — in the verse we chose for our t-shirts, in the cast and choreography that came together... Even in our eventual performance venue, the home of Turning Pointe's very first recital. We are beyond blessed by each and every one of you, and it's an honor to direct this incredible company. Rather than losing sight of our faith, we came together and stayed true to our company's name. Through each one of you, we have truly seen the Lord at work. What a privilege to be a part!

— Mimi McKinnis  
Director, FYDC



# ACT 1: RUTH

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Scene 1  
*Ruth Overture*

Scene 2  
*Weddings & Tragedy*

Scene 3  
*Goodbyes*

Scene 4  
*Back to Israel*

Scene 5  
*Harvesting Dance*

Scene 6  
*Gleaning*

Scene 7  
*Welcomed*

Scene 8  
*Favor & Abundance*

Scene 9  
*A Kinsman Redeemer*

Scene 10  
*Threshing Floor Duet*

Scene 11  
*Elders at the Gate*

Scene 12  
*Celebration*

Scene 13  
*A Wedding*

Scene 14  
*Ruth Curtain Call*

*"...Where you go I will go,  
and where you stay, I will  
stay. Your people shall be my  
people, and your God my God."*

*— Ruth 1:16*

# ACT 2: ESTHER

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Scene 15

*Esther Overture*

Scene 16

*The Kingdom of Persia*

Scene 17

*Faith of the Jewish People*

Scene 18

*Royal Banquets/  
Vashti's Refusal*

Scene 19

*Taken to the Palace*

Scene 20

*The King Makes His Choice*

Scene 21

*Lord, Why am I Chosen?*

Scene 22

*Plots & Schemes*

Scene 23

*For Such a Time as This*

Scene 24

*Fast for Me Three Days*

Scene 25

*Then I Will Go to the King*

Scene 26

*Haman's Dilemma*

Scene 27

*Rewarding Faithful Service*

Scene 28

*Haman's Coming Downfall*

Scene 29

*Esther Pleads for her  
People*

Scene 30

*Mercy & Celebration*

Curtain Call

Epilogue: Bigger Than Us

*"...And who knows whether you  
have come to the kingdom for  
such a time as this?"*

*— Esther 4:14*





# CAST:

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## Act 1

Ruth: Molly Morley

Boaz: Bryce Mielke

Naomi: Makhaila Keown

Orpha: Abbie Van Horn

The Near Kinsman: Nahum Young

Naomi's Husband: Zach Winter

Ruth's Husband: Nahum Young

Orpha's Husband: Caleb Van Hook

### Fieldhand Men/Elders at the Gate:

Kye Galvin, Elijah Muse, Caleb Van Hook,  
Zach Winter

### Young Fieldhands:

Emily Hughes, Abigail Schohn, Zia Almadani,  
Ashley Bergeron, Sarah Deale, Meagan Horst,  
Allison Kantack, Kiara Padilla, Landry Phillips,  
Selah Ryals, Evie Smith, Emily Vanderhyde

### Fieldhand Women:

Channing Dinnel, Maleah Douma, Abbie  
Hughes, Molly Morley, Katy Nemeth, Julia  
Nieves, Lily Sachsenmaier, Clara Shireman,  
Emily Silva, Abbie Van Horn, Kaitlyn Hughes,  
Kadence Lee, Olivia Peery, Audra Richister,  
Lyla Wood, Eliana Barrera, Riley Bette, Ella  
Cook, Jylyn Clark, Delanie Dinnel, Eliana  
Erickson, Elliana Houge, Reagan Kantack,  
Whitney Meister, Megan Rietveld, Lacy  
Sachsenmaier, Anna Schuetz

## Act 2

Esther: Channing Dinnel

Mordecai: Nahum Young

Young Esther: Riley Bette

King Xerxes: Elijah Muse

Haman: Zach Winter

Haman's Wife: Maleah Douma

Queen Vashti: Lily Sachsenmaier

Bigthana: Kye Galvin

Teresh: Caleb Van Hook

### Vashti's Court/Featured Dancers:

Abbie Hughes, Molly Morley, Katey Nemeth,  
Julia Nieves, Clara Shireman

### Esther's Maids:

Jylyn Clark, Delanie Dinnel, Elliana Houge,  
Whitney Meister, Lacy Sachsenmaier,  
Kiara Padilla

### Contest Maidens:

Maleah Douma, Abbie Hughes, Makhaila  
Keown, Kadence Lee, Molly Morley, Katey  
Nemeth, Julia Nieves, Audra Richister, Lily  
Sachsenmaier, Clara Shireman, Emily Silva,  
Abbie Van Horn, Lyla Wood

### Haman's Friends:

Kye Galvin, Bryce Mielke, Caleb Van Hook

### Queen's Maid:

Ashley Bergeron

### King's Servants:

Kye Galvin, Bryce Mielke

### Crowning Maidens:

Megan Rietveld, Allison Kantack

### Persian Children:

Emily Hughes, Abigail Schohn, Zia Almadani,  
Sarah Deale, Meagan Horst, Allison Kantack,  
Reagan Kantack, Kiara Padilla, Landry Phillips,  
Selah Ryals, Evie Smith, Emily Vanderhyde

### Palace Assistants:

Eliana Barrera, Riley Bette, Ella Cook, Jylyn  
Clark, Delanie Dinnel, Eliana Erickson, Kye  
Galvin, Elliana Houge, Whitney Meister, Megan  
Rietveld, Lacy Sachsenmaier, Anna Schuetz,  
Zia Almadani, Ashley Bergeron, Sarah Deale,  
Meagan Horst, Allison Kantack, Reagan  
Kantack, Kiara Padilla, Landry Phillips, Megan  
Rietveld, Selah Ryals, Evie Smith, Emily  
Vanderhyde

### Jewish People/Banquet Guests/Servants:

Makhaila Keown, Kadence Lee, Emily Silva,  
Abbie Van Horn, Olivia Peery, Audra Richister,  
Lyla Wood, Kaitlyn Hughes, Eliana Barrera,  
Riley Bette, Ella Cook, Jylyn Clark, Delanie  
Dinnel, Eliana Erickson, Kye Galvin, Elliana  
Houge, Whitney Meister, Lacy Sachsenmaier,  
Anna Schuetz



Channing Dinnel  
Senior Company



Maleah Douma  
Senior Company



Abbie Hughes  
Senior Company



Kaitlyn Hughes  
Senior Company



Makhaila Keown  
Senior Company



Kadence Lee  
Senior Company



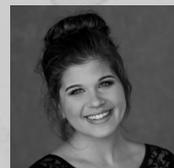
Bryce Mielke  
Senior Company



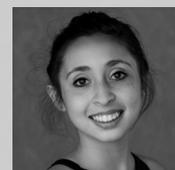
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Senior Company



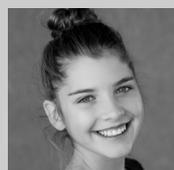
Elijah Muse  
Senior Company



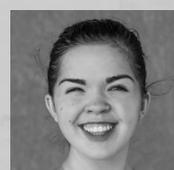
Katey Nemeth  
Senior Company



Julia Nieves  
Senior Company



Olivia Peery  
Senior Company



Audra Richister  
Senior Company



Lily Sachsenmaier  
Senior Company



Clara Shireman  
Senior Company



Emily Silva  
Senior Company



Caleb Van Hook  
Acting Company



Abbie Van Horn  
Senior Company



Zach Winter  
Senior Company



Lyla Wood  
Senior Company



Nahum Young  
Senior Company



Zia Almadani  
Apprentice Company



Eliana Barrera  
Apprentice Company



Ashley Bergeron  
Apprentice Company



Riley Bette  
Apprentice Company



Jylyn Clark  
Apprentice Company



Ella Cook  
Apprentice Company



Sarah Deale  
Apprentice Company



Delanie Dinnel  
Apprentice Company



Eliana Erickson  
Apprentice Company



Kye Galvin  
Apprentice Company



Sophia Green  
Apprentice Company



Meagan Horst  
Apprentice Company



Elliana Houge  
Apprentice Company



Allison Kantack  
Apprentice Company



Reagan Kantack  
Apprentice Company



Whitney Meister  
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Kiara Padilla  
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Evelyn Smith  
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Emily Vanderhyde  
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Abigail Schohn  
Junior Company



Emily Hughes  
Junior Company

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# WOMEN OF FAITH: RUTH & ESTHER

Created by Bree Mielke  
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Produced by Tina Cook

Choreographed by Mimi McKinnis, Stephanie Mielke, Sara Murdaugh, Bree Mielke, Josiah Swank, Moriah Swank and Megan Winter

Costumes designed by Bree Mielke

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Artwork.....Julie Almadani  
Community Outreach Captain.....Pam Morley  
Fundraising Captain.....Liz Nieves  
Hair/Makeup Leader.....Kelly Padilla  
Performance Week Captain.....Tracey Dinnel  
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Props/Sets Leader.....Christa Young  
Photography.....Megan Jean Photography  
Stage Manager.....Tonya Hayden  
Stage Mom Coordinator.....Nancy Schuetz  
Video Editing/Production Leader.....Jamie Bell  
Video Recording Shot Director.....Meredith Johnson

**Costuming Volunteers:**

FYDC Senior Company, Cheryl Griesinger, Jorja Horst, Misty Meister, Marty Mielke, Stephanie Mielke, Pam Morley, Julie Shireman, Cindy Sorensen  
Costuming

**Stage Crew:**

Eleanor Faris, Gracie Hall, Elsie Smith, Anah Swank, Grace Swank

**Student Assistants:**

Abigail Hughes, Molly Morley

**Voiceover Talent:**

Diego Hernandez, Stephanie Mielke, Moriah Swank

Special thanks to Custom Design Builders for their donation support to help us build some of our costumes and props!

*"Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see. . . . And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to Him must believe that He exists and that He rewards those who earnestly seek Him. "*

— Hebrews 11:1, 6



