

Our world is a big one. Our world is home to all kinds of different people; people of different ages, complexions, cultures, and interests. We are lucky to live in an area that not only has quite the diverse collection of people, but one that also welcomes all of these different cultures. We have the opportunity to learn so much just from talking to our neighbor. We are all so different, with different stories to tell. However, one thing has brought us together. Call it fate, but the people in our communities all share at least one thing in common. To tell our story, we must find it, while also embracing our differences.

Bringing this to the dance studio, there are so many things that make us different. No one looks the same, has the same body, moves exactly the same – and that's okay! Because the thing that we all share is our love for dance. That makes our little class a community. In this community, it does not matter where you come from or where you're going. It only matters that you're here now, and that you want to make art. We have dancers of all experience levels, and while some of may stand out because of their technique, the others may glow when put on a stage. We have so much to learn from each other! And to make the glue that holds us together, it's so important to share energy with the people around you. When you radiate positive energy into the empty spaces between each other and feel the people around you, the entire dynamic changes. It's a lot more work for your mind but your body responds beautifully. And hopefully the audience will see it as well, because the group will dance together more and exude a new kind of energy.

We are each a little piece to the puzzle, a tiny shard of glass that makes the mosaic, a player in the big picture. Individually, we are important and beautiful, but

when you put us together, we make a bigger impact. Put us together, find the right light,  
and we shine.