



# MEET MISS NIKI

**MISS NIKI WATKINS**  
Owner, Founder,  
Artistic Director

I grew up in Americus a small town in South Georgia. I have a 14 year old son named Cash and a white lab named "Strait." I have been teaching dance for over 30 years now and enjoy teaching all styles – but my favorite is most definitely Jazz!

I opened Cumming Dance Academy in 2003 in one small location on Elm Street. Over the years, we have grown to 7 studio rooms and 3 locations in Cumming & Dawsonville ...and still growing!

I enjoy boating on Lake Lanier, watching my son play football and choreographing for our Holiday and End of Season productions! I love to see the dancers perform onstage and bring all of my crazy ideas to life! I love what I do!

I am so glad to have you all here at CDA and can't wait to see what this year brings for all of us! We have the best faculty and staff around and we are excited to share our love of all things performance with you and your family.

It's going to be a great 21st season at CDA!

**Blue hydrangea is my favorite flower.  
I am related to former President Jimmy Carter.  
I love to watch Family Feud.  
George Strait is my favorite singer and I named  
my dog after him. "Strait"  
You can never have enough high heeled stilettos!**

