



Our story is one of devotion, persistence, and immense creativity. Born in the ‘Gator Nation’ of Gainesville, FL., the present company was always a dream in the heart and soul of the Pofahl family. Founded in 1966 by Mary Ellen Pofahl, and continued through the talents and efforts of daughters Judy Skinner and Kim Tuttle, DANB has become the premier touring company in the Southeastern United States.

Dance Alive National Ballet features an international roster of award winning dancers. Elegant and exciting, they are at the heart of the company’s undeniable success. DANB’s repertoire ranges from the quintessential classic Nutcracker to the cutting-edge movement of contemporary ballet. Throughout this choreographic tapestry are woven the ballets of Artistic Director Kim Tuttle and Choreographer-in-Residence Judy Skinner whose distinctive artistic styles brand the company. Entertaining and insightful, provocative and joyous, this creative aesthetic is at the heart of the Company.

