



Samantha Hillegas

Samantha is a graduate from the Lehigh Valley Charter High School for the Performing Arts and obtained her BA in Dance from DeSales University. During her time at DeSales, she had the opportunity to perform works choreographed by Twyla Tharp, Sean Curran, Gerald Arpino, Ashleigh Leite, Kate Jewett of Shen Wei Dance Arts, as well as numerous faculty and student works. She was a part of the DeSales Dance Company in her sophomore year. She attended and performed in the High School Dance Festival in 05 and the American College Dance Festivals in 06 and 09. Post college Samantha has worked with a few modern companies as well as being a part of the Philadelphia Fight Vixens Dance team. Samantha has continued her education by taking intensives and class in Philadelphia and NYC. Samantha has been teaching dance since 2008 and loves seeing her



Jessica Dull

Jessica has been dancing locally for over 23 years. Her styles of dance include Ballet, Pointe, Modern, Jazz, Hip-hop, and African. She was fortunate to study dance her last two years of high school at Lehigh Valley Charter High School of the Performing Arts. From there Jessica went on to get her Associates Degree in Liberal Arts, from Bucks County Community College in 2007 and a degree in Kinesiology- Exercise Science from Penn State Berks in 2009. Jessica was a member of Monarch Dance Company for over 4 years. From there she then started her own modern dance company, J.Dance Company. Jessica continues to perform and take class in addition to teaching dance at Denise Gucwa School of Dance and Shannon Carney Dance Academy. In June 2010, Jessica obtained her Autistic Movement Therapy Certification (AMT) to aid her in continuing her joy of teaching children.



Melissa Wenhold

Melissa Erin Wenhold is from Montgomery County, Pennsylvania. She started her dance training at the age of six under Deanna Schubert; Founder and Artistic Director of Schuberts School of Dance Arts. She attended SSDA for 14 years training in classical ballet (Vaganova Method), pointe, jazz and tap. Melissa graduated from the Lehigh Valley Charter High School for the Performing Arts in 2008, under the direction of Kim Maniscalco. Melissa has attended summer dance intensives such as the Pennsylvania Academy of Ballet from 2003-2005, and the Nutmeg Conservatory for the Arts in 2007. Melissa has danced, and choreographed with J. Dance Company for the past two years, a dance company in Bucks County, PA started by her best friend Jessica Dull. She graduated from Belhaven University located in Jackson, MS receiving her B.F.A in Dance in April of 2012. She plans to audition in the near future for professional dance companies as well as teach dance in order to pursue her love for the art of dance!



Mariel Letourneau

Mariel Letourneau graduated from University of the Arts in Philadelphia with a BFA in Musical Theatre. Before college, she studied dance at Nardi Studios in Easton, including jazz, tap, ballet, Pointe, Fosse, and modern. Since college, she has studied contemporary, hip hop, african, and flamenco. Mariel has performed professionally at the Walnut Street Theatre in Philadelphia in Curtains and in an Off Broadway show called Seduction in NYC this past fall. Locally, she teaches dance at That's Dancin in Trexlertown, Ballet Guild in Bethlehem, and Nardis in Easton. She also choreographed musicals at Northern Lehigh High School, Nazareth Middle School, and PA Playhouse stage, as well as performed at the PA Playhouse.