



***Penny Conwell*** As a graduate of the USF with a Bachelors of Science in Dance Education, allows me to work as a certified teacher at performing arts schools & at privately owned studios. Currently, I am the Dance Dept. Director for McNair Magnet School. I received a full talent scholarship to attend Florida School of the Arts where I completed my Associates in Arts with a focus in dance. I have performed & worked with famous choreographers, such as Michael Foley and John Parks. I have also learned from Twyla Tharp company member, Gretchen Warren Ward, Sandra Waldrop Robinson, Geri Holihan & Liz Lerman. Proudly, I am the director of the award winning RIM Competition Team. I strive everyday to incorporate these experiences into my teaching philosophies, style, and choreography.



***Erik "Silky" Moore*** I began dancing at the age of 9 with "Debbie Fratta's Dance Concepts." I was a featured performer on the St. Jude's Telethon for two years. My training continued at the Connecticut Academy of Performing Arts. In 2003, I joined Studio 5D of Oviedo, Florida beginning my competitive career. In my first months at the studio, I was asked to be an assistant teacher to the advanced tap classes. In my first international competition, I won the title of Teen Mr. Starquest. My specialties include Tap, Hip-Hop, Modern and Jazz. In 2014, you may have seen me on the dance show, "**So You Think You Can Dance**," making it to the top 21 dancers in Los Angeles.



***Terry Gerken*** My early dance training began here in Brevard County and continued in Miami, Atlanta and New York City. My studies were primarily in the field of classical ballet, which led to a professional career with several dance companies, including The Miami Ballet, Charlotte City Ballet and Southern Ballet Theatre in Orlando. I performed lead roles in many of the classics such as Swan Lake, The Nutcracker, The Firebird and Les Sylphides, to name a few. I look forward to bringing my love of dance to the Rhythm In Motion program. My goal is not only to teach the principles of classical ballet, but also to impart the joy of moving to music.



***Nicole Johnston*** I began my dance training at the age of 5 and joined a competitive team at the age of 8. I have taken classes in many styles of dance from world known choreographers such as Mia Michaels, Wade Robson, Brian Friedman and many more. At the age of 12, I was awarded my first scholarship for two weeks of training at the EDGE Performing Arts Center in Los Angeles, California. As my competition career progressed, I won many other titles and scholarships including "Miss Showbiz 2004". I was also a part of the National award winning Dance Company at Deltona Dance Academy. I look forward to sharing my passion for dance with all of my students!



***Toni Gaskins-Stillion*** Since the age of 4, I've been involved with dance & gymnastics. I grew up locally and I am a 1996 graduate of SHS, where I was a cheerleader and a member of the Dance Team. During that time, I trained at Artistic's Gymnastics Studio & coached Seahawk cheerleading. I attended dance and gymnastic classes with Ms. Lanore for 12 years as well as The Dance Zone and Erika's School of Dance. I have taught dance and gymnastic classes under Ms. Lanore's direction for 10 years. I'm married with 2 sons. For the young student, I feel that teaching the basics of dance can be a fun and rewarding experience. Introducing new movements and allowing the child to learn at their own pace gives them the opportunity to absorb what they are learning, feel good about themselves, and have fun!



***Brianna Piccolella*** RIM Alumni and former competition team member. My passion for dance started at the age of 3 when I started taking classes from Ms. Lanore. I took a variety of classes, ranging from ballet to hip hop. I also took part in the competition team, traveling Florida to attend competitions. Being a part of the competition team exposed me to more styles of dancing and allowed me to learn from many more teachers. After graduating high school, I taught hip hop classes at Rhythm in Motion and also at Dance Arts Centre. After 3 years, I decided to move to Orlando, where I lived for 2 years. I then moved back home to start a family and I now have 2 beautiful girls. I am so happy I made the decision to return to my passion and love for dance!



***Ashley Holland*** I began dancing at the age of 4. I joined the Rhythm in Motion dance competition team at the age of 7. I took many classes such as jazz, lyrical, tap, ballet, point, and gymnastics. In middle school, I started cheerleading. At the age of 14, I started assisting ballet, tap, and gymnastics classes under the direction of Ms. Lanore. I was a cheerleader at Satellite High School all 4 years and graduated in 2016. I am excited to begin Cosmetology School and I'm looking forward to another year with Rhythm In Motion!



### ***Marisa Clarkston***

I started taking ballet when I was eight, and since then it has been my favorite style of dance. Over the years, I have danced at several local studios including Rhythm in Motion and Space Coast Ballet Academy, and was on the RIM competition team in high school. Since 2011, I have danced with a pre-professional studio and have also performed in productions of The Nutcracker and other ballets. I have trained under several graduates of the Vaganova Ballet Academy in Russia as well as many other accomplished ballet dancers. I began assisting with ballet classes my freshman year in high school, and started teaching after graduating in 2013. For the past three years, I have taught ballet at a pre-professional studio and I look forward to continuing to share my love for ballet at RIM this coming year.