

Devi Piper: Born and raised in Chicago, Illinois, Devi began dancing at the age of 15 years and hasn't stopped since. Devi is very passionate about choreography and coaches dancers to blend their discipline and technique with their emotions and senses, and encourages the exploration of music kinetically to communicate more fully as performing artists. In Lyrical Ballet class, Devi embraces Finis Jhung technique, and attributes this approach for her own personal longevity as a dancer; Devi also incorporates Progressing Ballet technique, an innovative program developed by Marie Walton-Mahon (ARAD RAD RTS) for students to understand the depth of training muscle memory in achieving their personal best in classical ballet.

Work Experience and Background:

Trained in Ballet, Jazz, Modern Dance, and Classical Acting

Minneapolis - Myron Johnson, Sylvia Bolton

New York City - Finis Jhung, Luigi

Albuquerque - Nicole Prudhomme-Lucak, Beth Griffin, Christopher Bornet

- Dance Instructor
 - Beginning through Advanced Jazz, Ballet, Pointe (1980-current)
- Choreography
 - High school floor gymnastics, IL (1979-1981)
 - High school choir and musical theater, IL (1980-1981)
 - Community musical theater, IL (1975-1981)
- Professional Theater
 - Children's Theatre School and Company, Minneapolis, MN (1981-1984)
 - Arizona Theater Company, "The Robber Bridegroom" (1985)
 - Fairmount Theater for the Deaf, OH "Frankenstein" (1986)
 - Walt Disney, IN "Pan American Games" (1987)
- Commercial Video
 - Children's Television Company, MN (1983-1984)
 - Cable Network Channel 21, Rio Rancho NM, interview host (1995)

1971 – 1972 Interlochen Arts Academy, MI: Dance and Theater Minor

1974 – 1979 Southern Illinois University: Dance Minor, BA Parks and Recreation

1979 – 1981 Joliet Park District, IL: Program Supervisor and Community Dance Coordinator

1981 – 1984 Children's Theatre Company, MN: Artistic Staff

1985 – 1988 Actor's Equity Association, Seasonal Employment

Most Recent New Mexico:

2015 – Present Starlet Dance Studio, Albuquerque - Instructor - Lyrical Ballet

2012 – 2015 Stardust Dance Academy, Bernalillo - Instructor - Advanced Ballet, Pointe

2010 – 2011 Dance Exposé' Company, Albuquerque – Performer

2009, 2012 Keshet Dance Company, Albuquerque – Performer "Nutcracker on the Rocks"