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My role as a dance educator is influenced by my ongoing professional dance career (including with Les Grands Ballets Canadiens and The Margie Gillis Dance Foundation Legacy Project). My extensive background in ballet and contemporary dance and my interest in functional anatomy offer students a broad range of resources to help them on their unique paths. I welcome dancers of all ages, backgrounds, and abilities with respect and infectious enthusiasm.

Adjudicator

Oct 2016 Canadian Dance Teacher's Association Regina SK

Ballet faculty for the Dance Jam Convention

- Teaching over 500 beginner to advanced level ballet students in ballet technique and repertoire
- Adjudicating audition classes and selecting scholarship recipients

May 2016 CORE Dance Competition Adjudicator Nanaimo BC

Ballet, jazz, modern, stage, tap and musical theatre adjudicator

- Audio adjudication for dancers, offering critical feedback on technique, artistry and teamwork
- Teaching master classes, selecting scholarship recipients and curating the final Gala performance

May 2011, 2012 PacWest Festival Adjudicator New Westminster BC

Returning guest ballet, jazz & musical theatre adjudicator

- Adjudicating participants 3-23 years of age, offering feedback on technique, artistry and teamwork
- Teaching master classes and selecting scholarship recipients

Guest Ballet & Pointe / Contemporary Teacher (selected)

Oct 2015, Oct 2016 SHAPE Art & Wellness Studio Vermillion AB

Returning ballet & pointe instructor and choreographer

Oct 2016 Studio Encore Llyodminster SK

Returning guest contemporary instructor

Sept 2016-Current Harbour Dance Centre Vancouver BC

All levels ballet substitute instructor

Oct 2015 Gulf Island School of Performing Arts Saltspring BC

Guest ballet & contemporary workshop leader

Jul 2011, Jul 2015 MOVE: the company (Summer Intensive) Vancouver BC

Guest advanced ballet instructor and repertoire coach

Apr 2013 Kibbutz Contemporary Dance Company Ga'aton Israel

Guest ballet instructor for the Dance Journey Program

Oct 2011, Apr 2011 Cecchetti Society of Canada Burnaby BC

Returning guest contemporary instructor

Choreographer / Community Leader (selected)

Oct 2016 North Vancouver Community Arts Council North Vancouver BC

Choreographer for one of four 'Trolley Dances' locations

- Worked in partnership with the professional dance community and the North Vancouver Museum and Archives to develop an interactive, site-specific community performance.

Sept 2016 **Dancing for Huntington Disease** **Vancouver BC**
Fundraising coordinator and volunteer dance instructor, running drop-in dance classes by donation

- Ran a silent auction parallel to the dance classes, and raised a combined total of over \$1,400.00
- Engaged 36 community supporters including in-kind supporters, Lululemon and Starbucks.

Aug 2014-Dec 2014 **Team Canada West** **Abbotsford BC & Mikolajki Poland**
Head ballet choreographer and coach for Team Canada West at the International Dance Organization's World Dance Championships

- Choreographing and coaching solos, duets and group pieces for international competition
- Accompanying the team to Poland to run daily ballet classes and rehearsals while on tour
- Guiding the young dancers as representatives of Canadian talent overseas and helping them bring home 4 gold, 1 silver medals in my original choreography

Oct 2014 **BC Children's Hospital 'A Night of Miracles'** **Vancouver BC**
Choreographer and performer for fundraising event

- Choreographed a 15min contemporary duet for performance at fundraising gala

Performance (selected)

2009-2015 **Les Grands Ballets Canadiens (Gradimir Pankov)** **Montreal QC**
Corps de Ballet in Casse-Noisette

- Returning seasonal corps de ballet dancer in Snow, Flowers, Chefs and the Party Scene

Oct 2015, Jun 2016 **The Margie Gillis Dance Foundation Legacy Project** **Sechelt BC & Montreal QC**
Legacy Project Dance Artist

- Performed in the live and televised *Florliege* program at The Sechelt Arts Festival
- Shadowed Margie through teaching practices at Springboard Danse in Montreal

Feb 2010 **The XXI Olympic Opening Ceremonies** **Vancouver BC**
• Featured professional in Jean Grands-Maitre's *Sacred Grove* at BC Stadium

Training (selected)

2013	Kibbutz Contemporary Dance Company Dance Journey	Ga'aton Israel
2012	EDAM Scholarship Program (contact improvisation)	Vancouver BC
2006	Graduated from The Goh Ballet Academy	Vancouver BC
2005	Ballet British Columbia Summer Intensive	Vancouver BC
2004	Boston Ballet Summer Dance Program	Boston MA
2004	Graduated from The Oakville School of Classical Ballet	Oakville ON

Awards

2013 BC Arts Council Professional Development Grant

2010 Audience Choice Award for Choreography and Performance at the Dance 2 Danse Festival Toronto

2006 Artstarts funded Award for an individual with Consistently High Performance Standards

2005 Scholarship for The Goh Ballet Academy

Performance and Choreography CV also available by contacting cait.d.griffin@gmail.com