



THE ARTS CENTER

Staff Profile: Jill Garlock

Studio owner & dance instructor

Jill has been passionate about dance since her first lesson at Barbara Lynne School of Dance at the age of five. She continued her dance education in Hartford, Connecticut at The School of the Hartford Ballet. This was a unique post-secondary school specializing in dance education, where she trained in the Russian ballet curriculum, Vaganova methodology.

Upon graduating from The School of the Hartford Ballet's Teachers Training School, Jill taught for Columbus Youth Ballet, Dublin Dance Centre, and served as dance coordinator at the Delaware County Cultural Arts Center. Her commitment to learning, teaching, and growing as an artist are evident in The Arts Center's success.

Jill is certified to teach in ballet, tap, and jazz. She is a member of Dance Masters of America and a current board member of Ohio Dance Masters. Additionally, her choreography has won accolades on both the regional and national level. Jill continues her dance education each summer by attending Dance Masters of America's Teachers Training School and Dance Teacher Summit.

Jill's dancers have won many high-point awards, judges awards, technique awards, scholarships, and choreography awards. Jill has had the pleasure of choreographing for several local organizations, including Shawnee High School, Lima Central Catholic High School, Lima Symphony Orchestra, and Lima Junior Service League. Jill's passion for dance and love of teaching creates a unique experience for her students. She is a driving force that makes her students excel and strives to offer the finest in dance education.