

# The

# ADFA

# Connection

## Learn How to Dance Not Just a Dance

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T H E A C A D E M Y O F D A N C E A N D F I N E A R T S

### SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- Tuition is due the first of each month. You can place your payment in the drop box in the lobby.
- Costume fees are due now.
- The Holiday Benefit dates are: Dress Rehearsal Dec. 11th. Performance the 12th. Mac Gray Auditorium, Statesville High School

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## LETTER FROM SADIE ROBERTS DIRECTOR OF ADFA

Hello Everyone,

I just want to take this opportunity to welcome all of you to The Academy of Dance and Fine Arts. We have many new and exciting things planned this year in hopes to make you and your child's experience the best one possible. Our reputation speaks for itself. ADFA is committed to helping each and every child on level of dance and encourage parents and students to please come to us with any questions or concerns if you should ever have any-OUR DOOR IS ALWAYS OPEN.

The studio was established in 1977 and continues to produce professional dancers and dance educators. At our studio the members of our outstanding faculty encourage the students to develop self-discipline, high self-esteem, confidence, and perseverance. All of these qualities will help them to succeed in any career they desire.

We offer something for every student. For the serious dancer, we offer challenging classes, private instruction, and encourage them to attend multiple classes per week. With our professional performing experience and connections in the dance field, we are able to prepare and aid students in fulfilling their dream of dance. For the beginning student or student who wants to takes for the enjoyment, we offer the convenience of combination classes and daily encouragement and praise..

*As I watch our students day in and day out, I realize how fortunate we are to have them and the support of their parents.*

*As I watch the teachers day in and day out, I feel that we have been blessed with the most talented and caring faculty that any studio could dream of.*

*Love and thanks to  
My Erin, Kimie Karen A,  
Tonya, Amanda, Tiffany,  
Cheryl, Richard,  
Ben, Ian,  
Jessica,  
and my  
Mom &  
Dad!*



## WHY IT'S IMPORTANT TO ADD ADFA TO YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS BOOK

We just want to remind everyone to please add **adfadancestudio@yahoo.com** to your address books. Many of our emails with important information may go into you spam boxes if you do not have us listed in your contact/address book. As you know we have made every effort possible to go green so many announcements, studio information, & billing is sent via email so we at ADFA just want to assure you are kept informed.

# Richard Tullius

## A D F A W E L C O M E S N E W B A L L E T I N S T R U C T O R S

### Director of Ballet Co.

A native of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, Richard began his training at Pittsburgh Ballet Theater School under Artistic Director Patricia Wilde. While there he performed with Pittsburgh Ballet Theater Company in George Balanchine's "The Nutcracker".

Richard later attended and graduated from Canada's National Ballet School. There he was given the immense opportunity to train with world

renowned teachers like NBS' Artistic Director Mavis Staines, the school's founder Betty Oliphant, international modern dancer Peggy Baker, Glenn Gilmore, David Howard, and others. He also performed *Alaskan Rag* from Kenneth MacMillian's "Elite Syncopations", "Here we come" by Eric Bruhn, "Marimba" by Lar Lubovitch, "Sudden Impulse" by David Nixon, among others. Richard was awarded the Peter Dwyer Award for dance

excellence by the Canadian Arts Counsel. While in Canada he also performed with The National Ballet of Canada. Richard began his professional ballet career with BalletMet in Columbus, Ohio and performed there for nine seasons. Richard then went to Houston Ballet in Houston, Texas. There he worked with great choreographers like Ben Stevenson, Lila York, Trey McIntyre, Stanton Welsh

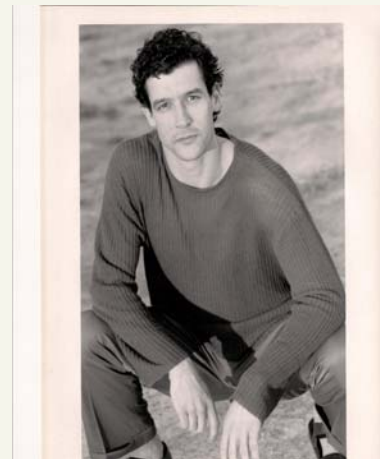


**Richard Tullius**

Mark Morris, and other talented artists. After Houston, the next two years were spent as a Guest Artist with Cincinnati Ballet in Cincinnati, Ohio and Theater of Ballet Arts in Bristol, Tennessee. In 2007 Richard hung up his ballet slippers and tights and retired from his career as a professional ballet dancer to start a new career as a Classical Ballet Instructor and Choreographer.

No one can  
arrive from  
being talented  
alone, work  
transforms  
talent into  
genius.

Anna Pavlova



**Ben Kubie**

# Ben Kubie

Ben began his professional career with North Carolina Dance Theatre in 1992. He went on to dance with the Hartford Ballet for four years before returning to Charlotte in 1997 where he danced again with North Carolina Dance Theatre until his retirement from the stage in 2004. Ben trained on full scholarship with the Joffrey School of Ballet and David Howard Dance Center in New York City. Throughout his 12-year professional career, he has danced leading roles in works by George Balanchine, Alvin Ailey, Choo-San Goh, William Forsyth, Paul Taylor, Martha Graham, David Parsons and many others. Ben has also held the position of box office and event coordinator for North Carolina Dance Theatre. He holds his B.A. in dance from University of North Carolina-Charlotte and is currently pursuing his business degree.

HOLIDAY BENEFIT CONCERT  
 PROCEEDS BENEFIT PRESTON LLOYD



**December 12th**  
**Mac Gray Auditorium**  
**Statesville Senior High**  
**4:00 PM**  
 "An Evening Holiday  
 Giving, Music, and  
 Dance"

**Benefit Tickets**

All ADFA students in the ballet will receive 2 free tickets for their parents. These will be given out at the dress rehearsal. Additional tickets go on sale Wednesday Nov 4th, this week at the studio & may also be purchased at the door.

**Adult** -\$10/\$12 at the door  
**Child** - \$8/\$10 at the door  
**Children 5 & Under Free**

The Holiday Benefit Concert will include Jr. & Sr. Ballet Co. Ballet IV, V, & Ballet III students that auditioned, performance will be held at Mac Gray Auditorium, Statesville Senior High School.

Proceeds from our performance will go to the Preston Lloyd Foundation. Please help us support the Lloyd family this holiday season by helping sell ticket and program ads. Preston has come a long way but there family will have many challenges ahead of them. For more information on Preston's story please visit [Caringbridge.org](http://Caringbridge.org)

If you are interested in helping with this fundraising event or would like more information please call the studio at 704-663-3169 and speak with Erin Currie

**Sell Program Ads for Preston & Earn Tuition Credit!**

This year we are selling ads for our Holiday Benefit Programs to help fundraise for the Lloyd Family. Our programs this year will be printed full color on glossy 100# paper with an artistic cover that will be a wonderful keepsake for you or your child. Let everyone know who your favorite dancer is by purchasing a Personal Ad with Photos and a Message, or sell ads to local businesses. ***The student that sells the most ads will get \$100 credit towards their tuition.***

We would like to welcome all of our new and former students to the studio this year. Now that we are all settling into a routine, there are several upcoming events and happenings at the studio you may be interested in. We're going to have a great year!

Thanks So Much for Your Support, Sadie Roberts-Director

**Student Handbooks**

New this year are our Student Handbooks, if you did not receive yours at registration please stop by the office to pick one up! The handbook contains important dates, studio calendar, prices and policies for the entire year

**Mooresville Christmas Parade-**

**Nov 24th Tuesday**

All of our students are invited to ride in the parade on our float. Parents are required to ride with students ages 4 and under. Everyone in the parade will need to wear one of our new 2009 "ADFA Sweatshirts".

**Holiday Camps**

ADFA is now offering Camps for your children when they are out of school.

Please refer to your Student Handbook for dates and prices.

Upcoming Camp Dates.....

**Nov 27 8:00am-5:00pm (day after Thanksgiving)**

**Dec 21-23 & Dec 28-30 8:00-5:00pm**

\*\*We also have half days, early drop off and late pick up available

# Zumba Classes Now Available

Tues 6:45-7:45    Thurs 6:00-7:00

Sat 9:45-10:45

Information available on lobby table!

*ADFA is proud to present our  
Newly updated logo.....*



**Now offering the following for sale:**

ADFA Car Magnets

ADFA Sweat Shirts & Sweat Pants

***Items to come in the Future.....***ADFA Tie Dyed Tank Tops, Long Sleeve T-Shirts, and Socks

## ADFA Office Hours

Monday-Tuesday-Thursday 9:00am-7:00pm

Wednesday 3:00pm-7:00pm

Thursday 9:00am-7:00pm