

## **Lafayette Dance Intensive 2025**

Rising 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Grades

July 7-11 Ballet with related special classes 2:00-4:30

July 21-25 Jazz and Contemporary 2:00-5:00

## **FACULTY**

# Phyllis Allen - Ballet

Phyllis trained and danced with Atlanta Civic Ballet (now Atlanta Ballet) under directors Dorothy Alexander and Robert Barnett. She was chosen at age 15 by George Balanchine for his Young Choreographers Workshop. She studied at the School of American Ballet (SAB) and the Royal Ballet School. After a varied performing career in dance and musical theatre, she began the Lawrenceville School of Ballet. She was the founding director of Southern Ballet Theatre and has taught many students that have gone on to careers in dance, theater, teaching, choreography and directing.

## Kristin Foister – Contemporary Modern

Kristin is a respected dancer, choreographer and teacher with decades of experience. She has danced in television commercials, industrial shows, theme park performances and promotional appearances for various artists, under the direction of Emmanuel Lewis. Her unique and diverse choreography ranges from the lighting of the Great Macy's Tree to the Indiana Pacers Gala held in Indianapolis. She has choreographed shows for Six Flags over Georgia, the premier reveal of Coca-Cola's C2O and fashion shows for Simon Mall Group. She served as assistant choreographer for the opening and half time of the Chickfil-a Bowl, as well as being the resident choreographer for Entertainment Design Group of Atlanta. Her choreography and her dancers are always recognized for their pronounced passion and musicality. She is experienced in teaching dancers from early childhood to

professional in the dance styles of Lyrical, Jazz, Hip Hop, Musical Theater, and Ballet. She is especially grateful to be able to pass on the "Gift of Dance." She and husband Beau Foister are the founders and owners of Dance Tech and Talent studio in Kennesaw, Georgia.

#### **Beau Foister - Jazz**

Beau is a native of Georgia and has taught for many years nationwide. He is an experienced adjudicator and master class teacher especially known for his classical, entertaining and high energy jazz classes and choreography. Beau has choreographed for The Georgia Ballet, Miss Georgia Scholarship Pageant, Albany Ballet Theater, Third Edition Color Guard, Stevenson High School Competitive Pom Team, and USA Cheer under the direction of Pamela Antista in which he was an assistant for the Chick-fil-a Bowl. He has danced in such classics as "The Nutcracker", "Serenade", "Where the Wild Things Are", "Swan Lake", "West Side Story", and many more. Beau was a featured dancer in the 20th Anniversary Celebration for Home Depot, as well as many Miss Georgia Pageants. Beau danced for the Georgia Ballet for many years and guest performed for many regional companies. He was very proud to have been selected as a dancer for the 1992 Summer Olympic Games in Barcelona, Spain. Beau always looks forward to educating and inspiring dancers from Beginner to Professional. Beau and his wife Kristin Foister are founders and owners of Dance Tech and Talent studio in Kennesaw, Georgia.

Amy Orr - Ballet and related special classes