

## **KELLY JOHNSON, Instructor**

In her hometown of Wichita Kansas, Ms. Kelly Johnson began dancing at age four. At eight, she continued her training with Sharon Rogers of Rogers Ballet, studying ballet, tap and jazz. Kelly furthered her training at Friends University under the direction of Stan K. Rogers and graduated in 2016 with a BFA in Ballet and English minor. Pursuing her dream to dance professionally, Kelly has studied with well-versed choreographers such as Stan K. Rogers, Dominic Walsh, Melonie Buchanan Murray, Shawn Stevens, and Alonzo King. Following graduation, Kelly spent 6 weeks at the Oklahoma City Ballet Summer Intensive on scholarship and returned home to pick up modeling with Models and Images Agency, owned by Alleigh Allen.

In 2017 she attended the Model and Talent Expo in Dallas, TX where she placed 2nd in the Dance/Talent division and met with model scouts at national and international levels. In the fall of that year, Kelly moved to Wilmington, North Carolina and spent 2 seasons dancing with U.S. International Ballet, directed by Walter Angelini and Ines Albertini. In these two years, she has taught and choreographed for studios in the Wilmington area and attained hands-on professional experience in a ballet company. Kelly has gained a strong love for teaching and helping students meet their personal goals and she could not be happier to be part of the MDM family once more.

INSTRUCTS: Ballet, Pointe, PBT
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