

STUDENT EXCHANGE VISAS

We are so excited to announce that Ballet West Academy has received approval from the United States Student and Exchange Visitor Program to host international students beginning with the 2023-2024 season! Students from across the world can now audition and obtain an educational visa for the Ballet West Academy Professional Training Division.

"Ballet is truly an international artform and we are so pleased to be able to welcome elite students from all over the world," said Ballet West Academy Director Evelyn Cisneros-Legate. "This truly supports our mission of diversity and access to the arts."

Ballet West has a long history of hosting dancers from all over the world and is currently the home to several international dancers in the main company. Additionally, over fifty percent of the Ballet West main company has trained with the Ballet West Academy.

Students in the Ballet West Academy Professional Training program work for four to five hours, six days a week in ballet technique, pointe, variations, pas de deux, contemporary, character, flamenco, Pilates, conditioning, and seminars on health and music. Faculty members and instructors all have a professional dancing background from large-scale companies. Students also have the advantage of being seen by Ballet West's Artistic Director Adam Sklute, who is committed to hiring company dancers trained at the Academy.

LET'S HEAR IT FOR THE BOYS!

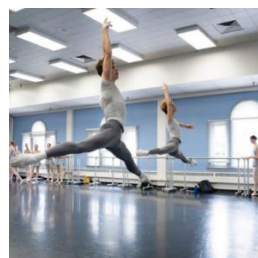
At Ballet West Academy we are so proud of our prestigious Men's Program. We begin teaching boys as young as 3 in our Beginning Levels and continuing up through our Professional Training Division and Trainee Levels. At each level the boys are taught rigorous ballet training in a positive way.

We have 4 campus locations of Ballet West Academy with boys at every location. During our 2022-2023 season Park City trained 4 boys, Utah County trained 8 boys and men, Trolley Corners trained 34 boys and young men, and Ballet Centre trained 28 men for a total of 74 Ballet West Academy boys and men in varying levels. This is a higher percentage of students than anywhere else across the region!

In addition to regular technique classes, as they get older, men have classes which focus on jumps and turns, and of course pas de deux with the ladies. Pas de deux training is such an asset to the men and ladies both! Director of the Academy Men's Program, Jeff Rogers points out that the program is kept to a manageable size in order to give as much individual attention as possible.

Men who have completed the BWA Men's Program are known to be well set up for a professional career. Founder and Artistic Director of Youth America Grand Prix says, "Ballet West Academy Men's Program is internationally known as a disciplined, demanding and nurturing environment with a lot of support and a teacher that is highly sought after for men's training."

In addition to the main company at Ballet West, students who have completed the BW Men's Program have gone on to dance at many notable professional ballet companies around the world including; Ballet Austin, Nashville Ballet, Richmond Ballet, Western Australian Ballet, Royal New Zealand Ballet, and New York City Ballet.



STUDENT HOUSING



The Ballet West Academy now offers housing at a 28-unit apartment complex dedicated to the Ballet West student community, with leases running in conjunction with the student sessions! The double-occupancy apartments are located just 1.4 miles to the Ballet Centre with easy access to bus and light rail. The building also includes onsite resident advisors, security features, furnishings, and utility fees. For more information [click here](#). Look for more info on tours for our Summer Intensive families coming soon!

UPCOMING EVENTS AND PERFORMANCES

- **Utah County Campus Performance** – Dancers in Bloom, June 26th, 6:00 pm at the Covey Center in Provo. [Tickets available here](#).
- **Choreographic Workshop Performance** – July 14th, 7:00 pm at Rose Wagner Performing Arts Center. [Purchase tickets here](#).
- **Fall 2023-2024 classes begin** – August 28th