



For many years I have had the privilege to provide instruction as a guest teacher for the wonderful students at Avery Ballet. Teaching, encouraging and inspiring the next generation of young dancers are an honor and a pleasure.

I feel fortunate to have had my early training with Lisa Avery; she encouraged, shaped and mentored me as a young dancer, and consistently supported me throughout my professional career. I greatly admire her vision for Avery Ballet and therefore am thrilled to be named Artistic Advisor.

Like Lisa, I am committed to the development and growth of each student at Avery Ballet. I am both eager and enthusiastic to pass on my knowledge and artistic experience. As George Balanchine once said, "*We are not slaves to our art, but we must serve it, and that's our pleasure.*" And it is indeed my pleasure to serve at Avery Ballet.

Sincerely,

Amy P. Watson

Artistic Advisor