

BALLET COMES TO THE ACADEMY

A SHARED VISION BRINGS TWO PERFORMING ARTISTS TOGETHER INTO ONE SPACE

This September the Academy Of Performing & Creative Arts (APCA) located at 13 Taylor Avenue in Clinton welcomes Studio U Ballet into their facility.

Jovita Bernard-Copeland, Director of APCA and Sandra Stanton director of Studio U come together through a mutual desire to share their unique talents advocating the learning of performing arts to the Mohawk Valley.

APCA's unique offering to the community of music, acting, musical theater, drawing, hip hop and ballroom

lessons, instructed by professional instructors to both young and old under one roof would benefit from being exposed to the classical style and foundation of dance: Ballet.

Ms. Sandra Stanton director of Studio U Ballet was born and raised in Verona, NY. Holding a B.F.A from The Juilliard School in NYC, Stanton's professional credits include being principal dancer of Twyla Tharp's touring company, THARP and La-LaLa Human Steps in Montreal, performing dance works nationally and internationally. She kept this pace while judging National Dance Competitions. Stanton has also instructed at various universities and schools nationwide and is accredited as a Nationally Certified Classical Ballet Instructor with American Ballet Theater's (ABT's) Teaching Curriculum. To round out her experience Stanton is also a certified Ashtanga Yoga Instructor.

For the past three years, Stanton has operated Studio U Ballet close to her hometown on Rt 5 in Vernon. Now she is excited to expand her school into Clinton, a hub of creative and artistic endeavors.



APCA and Studio U Ballet will continue to operate independently and the uniqueness of its offerings now presented to the community will also lend itself to many artistic collaborations.

Studio U Ballet will begin Tuesday, September 7. Dance classes will include Classical Ballet technique (beginner-advance) for ages 4 through adult, Pointe, Pre-Pointe, Adult Ballet and Private Ballet. Yoga classes will include YOGASPROUTS for the young as well as weekly Hatha Yoga Classes for adults. Registration is now open for this Fall. Interested students please call 315.264.1293 or visit their homepage at www.TheStudioU.com.

APCA is also looking forward to another exciting year of original and fun programming in music, acting, musical theater, ballroom, hip-hop and art. Summer sessions begin July 5. You can view and register for this Summer's programming at www.ClintonMusicAndDance.org or call 315.853-7309.