



Brenda Susanto Madsen, Young Children's Division Instructor

Brenda Susanto Madsen was born in Jakarta, Indonesia, where she began dancing as a young child and teaching at age 18, both following the Royal Academy of Dance (RAD) method. In addition to studying classical ballet in Indonesia, she also trained at Danzmania Pergine in Trento, Italy, and the Federal Academy of Ballet in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. After finishing law school in 2008, Brenda decided to follow her passion in life and founded her own dance studio. There she led teachers trained in the RAD curriculum and choreographed 25+ performances, including annual performances at The Jakarta Art Building - the city's iconic center for the performing arts. Brenda ran her school until moving to the United States to join her husband in 2016. She is very excited to bring her 15+ years of experience working with young children to the Ballet Austin community. Brenda finds it extremely rewarding to teach children how to grow as dancers and ultimately become beautiful individual human beings outside of the dance studio.