## **Andrea Byrd**

Andrea has been dancing since she was 6 years old. She received her training from Michelle Latimer dance Academy in Denver, Competing on their dance company from age 8. Along with dancing at Michelle Latimer she was also on the Varsity dance team at her high school. After graduating she spent time substitute teaching at Starstruck, Millers and Kaleidoscope in Denver working with children age 4 to advanced company students. She also branched out and started to teach adults salsa dancing and performed with a salsa group for a few years. After that Andrea received an opportunity to build a dance program in a high school teaching everything from ballroom including salsa, waltz, swing, to cumbia, ballet, hip-hop, contemporary, and jazz. She was also able to build a dance and cheer team competing at various school competitions and trained her dancers to compete at dance studio competitions as well. Andrea received her bachelor's degree from Metropolitan State in Organizational communications in 2011. She is so thrilled to be teaching at Absolute dance and work with all the amazing kids that attend!