

## Shirley Rodriguez

Born and raised in Westchester, NY. Growing up Shirley Rodriguez had a love for Ballet. She started taking classes at the age of 5 until the age of 18. Although she did not pursue ballet on the professional level, she is very grateful for this opportunity to be working around the art she grew up learning. Shirley attended Mercy College, and received her B.S. in Behavioral Science and is now attending Graduate School to pursue her Master Degree in School Counseling. Throughout her academic years, Shirley has gained much experience and a strong passion for working with children and seeing them grow into strong wise individuals. She began her role as Assistant to the Director, Carole Alexis, in the Fall of 2014. Shirley is very happy to be a part of Ballet des Amériques. This will be Shirley's third year in the Fall and she is excited for the continuing growth and projects to come.