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Allongé Expands to Larger Suffolk Location

SUFFOLK, Virginia (August 17, 2018) – Allongé has moved into a new location, at 152 S. Main Street, in Suffolk. To celebrate the expansion, the ballet academy is hosting a Grand Opening – Ribbon Cutting ceremony on Saturday, August 18th, at 10:30 a.m. Council Member Donald Goldberg will be on hand for the event, which is open to the public.

Allongé gets its name from a ballet gesture “to elongate”. The ballet academy offers instruction in ballet in both group and private settings. Professionally-trained teachers offer a variety of dance classes such as tap, jazz, lyrical, contemporary, hip hop and fitness for all age groups. A dedicated room for Pilates instruction can be utilized in group or private settings.

Owner and Director Amanda Short focuses on cultivating a passion for dance with an appreciation for the fundamentals of classic ballet. Amanda’s background in dance, ballet and teaching provide a natural template to share her love of the arts to the clients the academy serves. “The greatest joy I have as a teacher is to witness the personal growth of a student,” Short pointed out. “The education of our children is a fundamental part of any community’s success,” said Suffolk Mayor Linda T. Johnson. “We appreciate Allongé’s commitment to remaining in historic Downtown Suffolk and continuing to elevate our youth with their enthusiasm for the arts. We wish them much success.”

The new location of the ballet school was extensively renovated prior to move-in. The building, which many will remember as the former Morris & Piland print shop, was the recipient of a Suffolk Economic Development Authority (EDA) façade incentive grant to facilitate the rehabilitation.

Learn more about Allongé at <http://allongedanceacademy.com/>.



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