

Bobbi Ramer Homeschool Facilitator

My relationship with the WISE began when I enrolled in a parent-child class with my daughter, who was two years old at the time. I knew that we were in the right place, as I observed my daughter contently flowing with the natural rhythms of the class and finding comfort in routines that were gently established over time. I also witnessed how the serene environment provided space for the children to immerse themselves in their imagination. I was happy to become a part of such a mindful and supportive community in which the children are given a balance of loving guidance and freedom to discover their authenticity. My daughter has continued her journey with the WISE travelling from kindergarten up to grade two. I have also remained connected with the WISE, not only as a parent, but also as a staff member. This year my daughter and I have decided to dive into homeschooling and we are fortunate to be a part of the WISE homeschool group.

I come from a dance and fitness background. Although it seems like a lifetime ago, dancing was a major part of my life growing up and I was fortunate to be able to follow one of my true passions. I was very dedicated to dancing throughout school and I joined a professional dance program at the Alberta Ballet School, which was housed in Victoria High School at the time. I also attended Victoria High School as a student because I loved the performing arts. After graduating from high school, I joined a junior training ballet company with the Vancouver Goh Ballet. I performed with the Goh Ballet throughout British Columbia and I was fortunate to be able to travel to France and China with the Goh Ballet to perform in several dance festivals. I have experienced such personal growth from my experience as a dancer and dancing will always be a passion of mine. Eventually, I decided to explore something new and I enrolled in University. I enjoy being physically active and this eventually led me to complete my first degree in Physical Education at the University of Alberta. I have always liked having something to work towards in a physical sense, which led me to join the University of Alberta cross country running team and my husband and I began racing in sprint triathlons. After completing my physical education degree, I took on a variety of roles related to fitness and health, including fitness consulting, instructing fitness/wellness programs, working as an exercise therapist and instructing Pilates. Throughout my professional experience, I became passionate about teaching and genuinely connecting with people on a personal level to help them reach their individual wellness goals. Eventually, I returned to the University of Alberta and I completed a second degree in Education. I have had the wonderful opportunity as a supply teacher to explore teaching all grades at the elementary level in a variety of schools within the public school system. I have also taught kindergarten in the Caraway program and I have worked at the WISE as an enrichment teacher, teacher assistant and substitute teacher. Currently, I am one of four WISE homeschool facilitators working in my fourth year of homeschool facilitation. I am fortunate to have met such wonderful facilitators and families and I truly enjoy witnessing the growth that is happening within homeschooling.

During my personal time, I like to connect with nature and spend time with my family. We especially enjoy going for walks and bike riding together. I also dedicate my personal time to yoga practice, which has become my sanctuary.