## JÓZSEF VARGA

classical ballet, repertoire



József Varga, a Dömötör-awarded dance artist, owner of the Award of Excellence and the Merényi Zsuzsa prize as a dance teacher, the founding chairman and artistic director of VargaBalett Dance Workshop.

I qualified as a dance teacher in the specialization of classical ballet at the Hungarian Dance Academy. I have been teaching classical ballet since 1998. Since 1992 I have been the dance artist of Szeged National Theatre, for 13 years also leader of the Corps de ballet and a choreographer.

In 2013 I founded VargaBalett Dance Workshop in the town of Makó, attended by 290 students at present, many of whom were accepted to the ballet artist specialization of the Hungarian Dance Academy/University or to secondary schools with a dance profile. My students are outstanding participants of national dance competitions. I was the first dance teacher to be awarded the Merényi Zsuzsa prize, given by the Hungarian Dance Academy and the Board of Trustees of the Noverre Foundation for Dance Art for my outstanding teaching activity. Similarly, in 2019 the National Association of Dance Teachers donated the prize "For Dance Teaching" to me for my activities in the amateur dance movement.

On the initiative of the Hungarian Dance University, the VargaBalett Dance Workshop under my leadership became an affiliated Talent Centre of the Preparatory Ballet Studio of the University in September, 2020.