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EDUCATION

California State University, Long Beach

M.A. in Dance, option in Dance Education (May 2001)

Pi Lambda Theta – An international honor society and professional association in education.

Phi Delta Gamma – The national graduate honor society, Phi Chapter

San Diego State University

B.A. in Dance, Pedagogy (May 1996)

- Emphasis – Ballet, Jazz, Modern, Pedagogy, Improvisation, Dance History, and Choreography
- Teaching Assistant: Beginning & Intermediate Jazz and Beginning Ballet
- Member - University Dance Company (1994-1996)
- Member - SDSU Dance Team (1992-1996)

EXPERIENCE

STRENGTHS: Ballet (classical and contemporary), Jazz (various styles & all levels), Modern, Contemporary, Tap (rhythmic styles and all levels), Hip Hop, Improvisation, and Dance History, and Dance Perspectives and Appreciation.

SPECIALTIES: Choreography, Rhythmic Analysis, and organizing touring dance companies/performance companies, directing and producing dance concerts, Salsa (on 1 and 2), and preparing dance students for a successful career in the field of dance.

Teaching

East Los Angeles College (1997-Present)

- ~ **Chair of Dance Department** – June 2015 - Present
- ~ **Professor** -Dance Department (2001-present) (**Tenured Status**)
- ~ **Director of Dance Discipline** - Dance Discipline (2003-June 2014)
- ~ **Artistic Director** - ELAC Touring Dance Company -*Let's Dance Company (LDC)* (2001-Present)
- ~ **Board Member** - LACCD Dance Discipline Committee (2001-present)
- ~ **Board Member** – Student Scholarship Committee (2011-2014)
- ~ **Chair** - Leslie Conwell Scholarship Committee (Spring 2006-Spring 2009)
- ~ **Board Member** – LACCD Performance Coach Task Force (September 2008-2011)
- ~ **Advisor** - East Los Angeles College Pep Club (1997-2005)
- ~ **Head Instructor** - Summer Dance Clinics on ELAC campus (1997-2004)

Los Angeles Valley College (Spring 06 – Dec. 06)

- ~ Choreographer for LAVC annual dance concert (May 2006)
- ~ Hired as a Hip-hop specialist for the LAVC Dance Program (Fall 2006)

California State University, Los Angeles (September 2003-March 2004)

- ~ Hired as a Hip-Hop specialist for the Kinesiology and Nutritional Science Department
- ~ Instructor for Hip-Hop, Funk, and Dance Fitness

San Marino Dance Academy (1996-2011)

- ~ Company Choreographer and Production coordinator - SMDA Dance Company
- ~ Faculty Member - Ballet, Contemporary, Modern, Jazz, Pointe, and Hip-Hop
- ~ Director/choreographer - “LADF” International Competition in Las Vegas, NV (July 2005)
- ~ Choreographer - “LADF” International Competition in Las Vegas, NV (July 2004)

- ~ Choreographer - "LADF" Competition/workshop in Chicago, IL (March 2004)
- ~ Choreographer - "L.A. Danceforce" Competition in Denver, CO (March 2003)
- ~ Choreographer - "Urban Jam" Competition in Hawaii (Feb. 2002)

San Diego State University (1996-2001)

- ~ Director/Choreographer - SDSU competitive dance team program
- ~ Coordinator - all events, practices, community outreach and promotions
- ~ Choreographer - competitive dance routines for the Western Athletic Conference tournaments (1996-1998) and Mountain West Conference (1999-2001)

California Ballet Company and School (1992-1997)

- ~ Faculty member - Ballet and Jazz (all levels)
- ~ Choreographer - Annual School recitals & CBC productions
- ~ Coordinator - Children's Jazz program at the El Cajon Branch (1992-1993)

Professional Choreography/Master Classes

- ~ **Featured Choreographer** - Community College League Annual Convention, Palm Desert, CA (Nov. 2018)
- ~ Master Classes – Momentum Dance Academy, Tulare, CA (July 2016)
- ~ **Featured Choreographer** - Community College League Annual Convention, Palm Dessert, CA (Nov. 2014)
- ~ **Featured Choreographer** - Community College League Annual Convention @ The Millennium Biltmore (Nov. 2012)
- ~ **Featured Choreographer** - NACAB 25th Anniversary @ Hilton, San Gabriel, CA (August 2012)
- ~ **Featured Choreographer** - Let's Dance Company Repertoire Dance Concerts (March 2007 -Present)
- ~ **Featured Choreographer** – Charity Show Arcadia, CA (December 2011)
- ~ **Featured Choreographer** HKSAF Los Angeles Scholarship Banquet – (November 2011)
- ~ "Dancing" piece – ELAC President's Gala @ The Millenium Biltmore Hotel, Los Angeles, CA (June 2011)
- ~ "In the Mood" piece -ELAC President's Gala @ The Millennium Biltmore Hotel, Los Angeles, CA (April 2010)
- ~ "Taiko" piece - DCLA "Light My Fire" event @ Beverly Hilton, Beverly Hills, CA (Dec. 2009)
- ~ **Featured Choreographer** - "Tanzsommer" European Dance Festival - Austria (June/July 2009)
- ~ **Featured Choreographer** - Platinum Weddings Television show on WETV (July 2008)
- ~ **Featured Choreographer** - Chinese Children's Show-2008 Olympic Pre-show @ Pasadena Civic (Aug. 2007)
- ~ **Featured Choreographer** - 26th annual HSBA banquet performance (May 2007)
- ~ 1st Annual LACCD PE/Dance/Health social performance (December 2006)
- ~ Assemblymen Mike Eng Benefit Performance (August 2006)
- ~ **Featured Choreographer** "Tanzsommer" European Dance Festival - Austria (June/July 2006)
- ~ "Shake That" LA Valley College Spring 2006 Concert (May 19-20, 2006)
- ~ "Salsa" piece ELAC Presidents Gala @ the Omni Hotel, Los Angeles, CA (March 9, 2006)
- ~ Los Angeles Community College District "Chancellor's Inauguration" performance (Nov 2005)
- ~ **Featured Choreographer** "Verizon Wireless" Pride Parade Long Beach, CA (Spring 2004)
- ~ **Featured Choreographer** "Salsa Duet" Irish Salsa Congress Dublin, Ireland (May 2003)
- ~ "Soundmasters" Salsa Group @World Renown Salsa Congress Los Angeles, CA (May 2003)
- ~ "Redwood High School Dance Company" Visalia, CA (2001-2015)
- ~ "El Diamante High School Dance Company" Visalia, CA (2002-2015)
- ~ "Tulare Dance Works" Dance Co. Tulare, CA (2000-2008)
- ~ **Featured Choreographer** "All Star Summer Jam" (Presented by 2by2.net) @ Pasadena Civic (2002)
- ~ "Miss Fitness USA" Candidate Choreography (2000-2001)
- ~ "Bulldog Dance Team" Fresno State Univ. (May 2000)
- ~ "Stingray Dancers" San Diego, CA (February-April, 2000)
- ~ "Z90 Dance Team" San Diego, CA (1996-1998)
- ~ "Explosion Dancers" San Diego and Las Vegas (May-August, 1994)

MEDIA/T.V./PERFORMANCE

- Nominated Member - International Dance Council, recognized by UNESCO , Paris, France (Fall 2014)
- Honorary Judge – International Youth Music and Arts Festival, Los AngelesCA –(July 2012 – January 2015)
- Artistic Director – Let's Dance Company – (2001 – Present)
- Director of Entertainment – "One" – Platinum Weddings T.V. show – WETV (July 2008)
- Director of Entertainment – Miss Panamerica Pageant - "Salsa", "Pop", & "Rhythmicity" (August 2008)
- Director of Entertainment – Verizon Wireless – Pride Parade, Long Beach, CA (Spring 2004)
- Professional dancer @ Los Angeles Salsa Congress (May 2003)

- International Judge/Guest Performer @ Irish Salsa Congress Dublin, Ireland (May 2003)
- Director/choreographer/dancer “Soundmasters” Salsa Group (2002-2004)
- Trailer for the “World Salsa Congress” convention and competition (2002)
- Judge/Guest Performer @ World Salsa Federation Championships Miami, FL (October 2002)
- Professional dancer for the Z90/Pepsi Dance Company (1996-1998)
- Member and assistant of the SDSU Dance Team (1992-1996)
- Dancer in Los Angeles based concerts for Rap Artist “Domino” (1996-1997)
- Member of San Diego college All-Star’s (1995-1996)
- Dancer on hit TV show “Silk Stalkings” (1995)
- Lead dancer on the Las Vegas based TV show “Explosion” (1994)
- “The Cheerleader” on SDSU football commercial (1994)
- Guest Artist - Soloist for the 25th Gala Performance - California Ballet Company (May-94)
- Member of the California Ballet Company (1989-1993)
- Member of the California Ballet Junior Company (1986-1989)

Awards

Member of International Dance Council CID at UNESCO (May 2014)
 Nominated - Honorary Judge - Hollywood Angel Cup International Youth Music & Arts Festival (2013)
 Status Granted – Tenured Professor @ East Los Angeles College (2009)
 “Teacher of the Year” – East Los Angeles College - Women’s PE/Dance/Health Dept. (May 2007)
 Selected teacher for inclusion in the 11th Edition of *Who’s Who Among America’s Teachers* (2006/2007)
 Selected Chair of the Leslie Conwell scholarship committee (May 2006)
 Status Granted - Associate Professor @ East Los Angeles College (2004) – (Tenured)
 Status Granted - Assistant Professor @ East Los Angeles College (2001)
 Pi Lambda Theta and Phi Delta Gamma @ CSULB (2001)
 Four-time recipient of the “Most Dedicated Dancer” at SDSU (1992-1996)
 United Spirit association’s award for “Superstar” dancer (1992)
 “Choreographer and Dancer of the year award” by Valhalla High School Dance Department (1992)
 National Dance Associations award for “All American All-star” (1991)
 Scholarship to the “Summer Dance Laboratory” @ Whitman College (1991)
 “Youngest Choreographer” to debut a choreographic work with the California Ballet Company (1987)

Community Service

San Rafael Elementary School – Pasadena, CA (June 2019 – Present)

- Chair of the SRE Annual Fund
- Create, plan and direct SRE Annual Fund activities and events
- Prepare all materials needed for events (marketing, promotional and informational)
- Direct the SRE Annual Fund “Direct Ask Campaign”
- Allocate funds when needed for school necessities
- Participate in all Annual Fund events

B’Nai Simcha Parent Board – Pasadena, CA (June 2017 – 2018)

- Member at Large - Elected Board member by B’Nai Parents/Staff/Community
- Create, plan and present outreach activities
- Organize school events and fundraisers

Madison Walk HOA - Pasadena, CA (October 2010 – December 2011)

- Secretary - Elected Board member by HOA ballot
- Organized agenda for all board and home owners meetings
- Developed and distributed all meeting minutes
- Sent all correspondence to board members and homeowners

Dor Chadash Los Angeles – Los Angeles, CA (August 2009 – January 2011)

- Member of the Steering Committee
- Presently hold the position of Secretary – Elected board position
- Organizes agenda for all Steering committee meetings
- Develops and distributes all meeting minutes
- Sends all correspondents to steering committee members