

# WORLD'S

# CHAMPIONSHIP JUDGES PANEL

## CHEER OFFICIALS

### OFFICIAL/ADMIN



#### Dana Fielding

Dana is the Director of Rules and Standards for the ICU and Director of The Cheerleading Worlds. She has been involved in cheer for over 30 years as a coach, judge, and legality official, and is the former IASF Executive Director and USASF Associate Director of Rules. She currently oversees all legality official training and coaches education both nationally and internationally. Dana has been involved in The Cheerleading Worlds for the past 8 years.



#### Andrei Grier

Andrei is a 14 year veteran World's judge and currently resides in South Carolina.



#### Marcy Kuzemchak

Marcy has enjoyed over 20 years in the cheerleading industry as a coach, panel judge and legality official in Canada. Her experience includes several years as one of the designated trainers for Cheer Canada's Officials Development program, helping to develop tools and resources for adjudicators as they learn the comparative scoring system. Formerly, she has acted as the chair of the Technical Committee for Cheer Canada and an ICU Black Medallion Facilitator, credentialing coaches across Canada. Her judging experience spans both panel and safety at multiple National and Provincial level events over the past two decades including Canadian Cheer Nationals, FCQ Provincials (Worlds Bids), OCF Provincials and Alberta True North (Worlds Bids). Currently, she coaches Team Canada's all girl Premier program who represents their nation annually at the ICU World Cheerleading Championships.



#### Amy Tyler

Amy currently serves as the Judging/Scoring Coordinator for The Cheerleading Worlds. She has more than 30 years of experience in the All Star cheerleading industry. Amy has worn many hats as a coach, judge, speaker, choreographer, judge coordinator, Admin in scoring, ACCU score official and even gym owner of 18 years. Amy currently coordinates judges and scoring for a number of different brands. As the former Varsity All Star national scoring and judging director, Amy continues her passion with judge's education and administrative roles in judges training, scoring and officiating events.



#### Heather Ward

Heather is a retired school administrator in North Carolina and earned her BSA in School Administration at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. She's a former Appalachian State University Cheerleader and has been involved over the last 34 years in the cheerleading world as an athlete, coach, award-winning choreographer, gym manager and judge. She has judged for numerous companies such as The Cheerleading Worlds, TRU Triple Threat, The MAJORS, The Summit, All-Star Challenge Nationals, Spirit Xpress, American Championships, CheerSport Nationals, Cheer Ltd., JAMZ, Jamfest, and UCA.



#### Harmony Webb

Harmony is from California and has been a summer camp instructor throughout the country. She is a former athlete, coach, and judge in the industry for 20 years. She is trained in the computer scoring system used at most events and has helped ensure event accuracy in scoring. This is her 5th time at The Cheerleading Worlds.



#### Shawndra Winter

Shawndra has coached and provided choreography for competitive squads at the All-Star, Recreational, High School and Collegiate level including club gymnastics, power-tumbling and trampoline (Level 1-7) for over 15 years. She has had the joy and privilege of serving as an Overall and Tumbling judge for The Cheerleading World's since 2007. She has been a World's Division judge for NCA, USA,

American Championships, American Cheer Power, World Spirit Federation, CHEERSPORT, CheerBrandz, and various other national and international companies. Shawndra has a significant amount of energy and enthusiasm for helping athletes and coaches strategically utilize their strengths to overcome barriers to performance and ultimately reach their goals. When she's not traveling the globe, spreading cheer and working with athletes, Shawndra is a National Corporate Trainer for Performance Excellence and Business Strategy at a global hearing healthcare company.

## STAND DIRECTORS



#### Mike Burgess

Mike is the President/Brand Manager of the United Spirit Association. He is a graduate of UCLA with a master's degree in Education and is a former member of the Bruin Cheerleading Squad.

Production credits include halftime shows for NFL, NBA and collegiate games. Mike has spent the past 30 years helping to develop instructor training programs and advisor's/director's workshops for the United Spirit Association. He has presented at numerous state, national and international association conferences in addition to being a Head Instructor/Event Director for hundreds of camps, competitions and clinics. He currently serves on the Board of Directors for the United States All Star Federation (USASF). Mike has been in the cheerleading/dance industry for 35 years.



#### Cheryl Moon

Cheryl graduated from the University of Utah where she was a four-year member of the cheerleading squad. She has worked for the United Spirit Association for more than 30 years and has coached, choreographed, and judged squads at national and world events for many years. She has trained cheerleaders in the United States, Japan, Australia and New Zealand. Cheryl helped to direct and produce halftime shows for the San Francisco 49ers, Seattle Supersonics, Utah Jazz, Utah Starzz and the Denver Broncos. She is involved with the curriculum development and training of judges across the country and is a Cheer Rules Committee member for the USASF.



#### Scott Williams

Scott is the Varsity Southeast Region Sr. Logistics Coordinator and has been involved in cheerleading for 40 years. A graduate of Appalachian State University, he holds a Master's degree in Child and Adolescent Psychology. At ASU, he was captain, four-year varsity letter cheerleader, and national championship squad member. He is recognized internationally as a coach, choreographer, judge, and speaker.

## HEAD JUDGES



#### Tiffany Releford

Tiffany is a native of Columbia, Maryland with over 20 years of cheerleading experience. She was a three-time NCA All-American in high school and cheered for three years at the University of Maryland College Park. She cheered for NFL Europe in Barcelona, Spain and performed in the opening ceremony of the 1999 Olympics. Tiffany also cheered for the Baltimore Ravens, a National Football League team, for four years and was the Ravens 1999 Pro-Bowl Cheerleader (the team's first probowl cheerleader) as well as part of the Superbowl XXXV cheerleading team. While with the Ravens, Tiffany traveled to the Middle East on a USO tour and visited other local military bases to entertain our troops. Tiffany judges local, regional and national competitions a year, including having served as a Head Judge at the Cheerleading Worlds. When not cheering, Tiffany is a Partner at the firm Whiteford, Taylor and Preston, LLP.



#### Allison Stallings

Allison is a former competitive cheerleader from the University of North Carolina at Charlotte where she earned her degree in Psychology and Communications. After years of coaching recreational, all star, and collegiate cheerleading, she found her

true passion in judging and scoring. She worked in the cheerleading industry full time for over 20 years as a judge coordinator, scoring director and customer service representative. She is honored for this to be her 16th year at The Cheerleading Worlds.



#### Jodi Sweet

Jodi is a graduate and former cheerleader of the University of San Diego. A former Head Instructor and Cheerleading Program Director for the United Spirit Association, she has been involved with competitive cheerleading for over 40 years. Jodi has judged and directed numerous competitions at the junior high, high school, and college levels, both nationally and internationally, including The Cheerleading Worlds consecutively from 2004-2022. She has judged regional, and national competitions for USA, NCA, ACA, PacWest, ENCORE, American Championships, All Star Challenge, CHEERSPORT, Organization Nacional de Porristas (ONP) and USA Japan. Currently, Jodi works as the Varsity All Star Judge Operations Specialist for the west and the Staffing and Judging Coordinator and Judges Training Coordinator for the United Spirit Association.

## PANEL JUDGES - BUILDING



#### Tracy Bonyad

Tracy is from Quebec, Canada and has been involved in the cheerleading industry for over 20 years as an athlete, coach, consultant and cheer and dance judge. She was a PCA staff instructor (based in Ontario, Canada) and has over 10 years of judging at the provincial, national and international level. Within Canada she has judged for the Quebec Cheerleading Federation, CheerExpo, Sapphire Productions, Ontario Cheerleading Federation and Canadian Cheer Evolution. Within the USA, she has judged for CHEERSPORT, Universal Spirit, Team Champion, Nation's Choice, Champion Spirit Group and The ONE Cheer and Dance. She also served as panel judge for the 2015, 2016, 2017, 2019 Cheerleading Worlds and for the BCA in the UK.



#### Marco Daniels

Marco has been involved in judging for the past 15 years with both National Federations and the All-Star Community in Germany, Austria, Switzerland, the UK, France and Australia. As an athlete and coach, he has attended and won numerous National and International events. Outside of judging, Marco works with the National Teams of Germany and helps further promote the sport of Cheerleading in Germany and Europe.



#### Erin Davis

Erin has been involved in competitive cheerleading and dance since 1999. She worked for Cheerleading Technique Camps and was a head camp instructor for middle & high schools, youth recreational leagues and all-star teams. Erin attended Florida State University, where she cheered on the all-girl competition team her freshman year and then became involved in coaching competitive all-star cheerleading the following year. She coached all-stars for 8 years, before turning her focus to judging. Erin has been judging competitive cheerleading & dance competitions for the past 12 years, serving as a panel judge, AccuScore official and judge stand director for Varsity Brand events across the country. She has also received the honor of judging at The Cheerleading Worlds for 4 years now.



#### Jeannette DeGraffenried

Jeannette has over 23 years' experience in judging. She has taught cheer for 21 years, tumbling for over 23 years and dance for 23 years. She has judged The Cheerleading Worlds for the past five years. She has judged for USA, NCA, UCA, ACA, PacWest, American Championships, CHEERSPORT and JAMZ. Jeannette has had the opportunity to go to Japan, New Zealand, Australia and Mexico to judge their cheer nationals. She cheered at Weber State University and at Utah Valley State College, where she was captain her second year. She was also a member of ACT - Athletes Coming Together. Jeannette graduated from Utah Valley State College with a degree in business. She was the cheer advisor/coach for Utah Valley State College for eight years where she took her team to USA and NCA's nationals and placed in the top 10 three times. Jeannette has choreographed for high school and college teams. She has also worked with the United Spirit Association for over 24 yrs. She was a cheer head instructor and has helped choreograph

for NFL half-time shows. Jeannette also received USA's "Rookie of the Year". She is also the proud mother of 4 beautiful children!



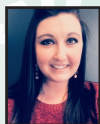
### Leoncio Diaz

Dr. Ramie Diaz is a physician with over 20 years of cheerleading experience. He is an accomplished adjudicator who prides himself on his judging objectivity. He has had the opportunity to coach, choreograph, and judge cheerleading at all levels, domestically and internationally. Cheerleading continues to be Ramie's first love, and he enjoys giving back to sport that has given him so much. Ramie is extremely excited to be returning to The Cheerleading Worlds to share his knowledge and expertise with these talented teams as they continue to grow our sport into a global and cultural phenomenon.



### Lance Emery

Lance has over 30 years of experience judging across All-Star, college, high school and recreation cheerleading. He has judged the USAF Cheerleading Worlds since 2006 and has been a Worlds Head Judge since 2013. Lance has judged world qualifying events across the United States, Canada, Australia, England and New Zealand for NCA, ACA, Canadian Cheer Evolution, Canadian Cheer for the Cure, Future Cheer (UK), New Zealand Cheersports, and the Australian All Star Cheerleading Federation. In addition, he has judged every NCA Collegiate National Championships in Daytona, FL since 2008. Lance is a former Purdue University cheerleader and International Cheerleading Foundation (ICF) head instructor. Outside of cheerleading, Lance is a Chief People Officer for Aon. Lance, his husband Ian, and their two children reside in the suburbs of Chicago, IL.



### Emily Ferrell

Emily is a Florida native who studied dance for 17 years while also cheering in Middle and High School. She was a 4-time High School UCA All-Star, selected to participate in the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade as well as the New Year's Day Parade. Emily began choreographing All-Star Cheer and Dance routines in 2007 and started judging in 2011. She is in her 11th year of judging and has previously judged The Cheerleading Worlds, The Summit, and is also an AccuScore representative for various Varsity Brands. Emily was selected as Varsity's Perfect Partner recipient for the 2017 - 2018 season. Professionally, Emily has a Bachelor's Degree in Business Management and is the Senior Director for a Logistics and Supply Chain company based out of Atlanta, GA, specializing in Project Management and Disaster Relief.



### Suzanne Garrett

Suzie has over 30 years of cheerleading experience, as a cheerleader, coach, and judge. Originally from New Jersey, Suzie enjoyed cheerleading throughout her youth, high school, and college experiences. Her coaching career started in Maryland where she coached at the recreation level, high school, and All-Star Levels 1-5. For the past six years, she has coached a middle school team and is the Athletic Director at the school where she teaches. She has done choreography for youth programs and volunteers in her community giving feedback and support to youth cheerleading programs. Suzie has been judging for over 18 years and has judged for many different Varsity brands, Independent Event Producers, high schools in Maryland, Delaware, and Florida, and for YCADA Pop Warner. She has judged numerous National and International Events, as well as The Summit, The D2 Summit, and The One.



### Courtney Hansen

Courtney has been involved in the cheerleading industry for over 27 years after her transition from competitive gymnastics. She is a former Brigham Young University cheerleader, and has coached and choreographed for teams across the Western United States including a national championship coed high school squad. She has worked for the United Spirit Association as an instructor, judge and head judge for 23 years. She has also judged many prestigious all star events for NCA, UCA, ACA, JAMZ, American Championships, as well as the Summit. Courtney had the opportunity to judge internationally at the USA Championships in Japan and ONP Nationals in Mexico City. She has also judged The Cheerleading Worlds since 2015.



### Britney Holder

Britney has been involved in the cheer and dance industry for over 18 years having experience in both coaching & choreography. Upon graduating high school, Britney was recognized in a publication entitled "Who's Who Among Student Athletes," and cheered collegiately on the coed team for The Tennessee State University. Britney has trained with Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater and has worked with several competitive all-star cheerleading teams within Tennessee. Prior to Covid, Britney has been granted the opportunity to travel abroad to the United Kingdom and served as a judge for Future Cheer Internationals. Britney, a AACCA certified coach, has coached The Tennessee State University Cheerleading team for the past 7 years and volunteers with surrounding high school and all-star cheerleading programs. Britney has humbly served as a building judge for prestigious events such as The Cheerleading Worlds, The Summit, The D2 Summit, NCA Allstar Nationals, Cheersport Nationals, etc.



### Amy Howe

Amy is from Tulsa, Oklahoma. She has over 30 years of cheerleading experience as a cheerleader, coach and judge. Amy was a cheerleader at Oklahoma State University winning back to back NCA Collegiate National Championships. Amy was a long time High School coach in Oklahoma winning numerous State and National Championships along the way. Amy was named Region Coach of the Year 5 times and was also named Oklahoma Cheer Coach of the Year. She was named a Finalist for National Coach of the Year. Amy has been judging competitions all of the country and internationally for 13 years. She has been honored to judge the All Star Summit and The Cheerleading Worlds the past several years.



### Heather Jeffries

Heather has more than 25 years of cheerleading experience. Heather was on UCA staff for six years as a camp instructor. Judging experience includes, The Cheerleading Worlds, The Summit, D2 Summit, US Finals, Champion Spirit Group, WSF, Athletic Championships, NCA, CheerSport, JamFest, Encore, OneUp, Cheer Montreal, CheerExpo Canada, Spirit of Hope, All Out, SpiritFest, Double Down and American Championships. She owned an All Star cheer and dance gym for three years in Tennessee. Heather is currently the head coach for West Creek High School in Clarksville, TN. Heather has worked 17 years as a certified social worker for the State of Tennessee and has a master's of Public Administration and master's of Social Work.



### Lisa Knipp

Lisa, a former member of the Indiana University dance team, has been coaching and judging in the cheerleading industry for over thirty five years. The Indiana Coach of the Year Award, numerous Indiana State Championships, and high national rankings are a few of her esteemed accomplishments. It has been Lisa's honor and privilege to judge for the Australian All Star Cheerleading Federation, America's Best, ACA, British Cheerleading Association, CheerSport, Cheerlebrity, Cheer America, JamFest, NCA, UCA, USA, The Cheerleading Worlds, US Finals, The Summit, and The D2 Summit. Additionally, Lisa sits on the USA Cheer Coaches Assembly and has served as a Head Judge at The Cheerleading Worlds.



### Charles Leathers III

Charles is an energetic cheer professional with over 19 years of experience in the industry. His love of the sport began as an All-Star and high school cheerleader in North Carolina. He then went on to teach summer camps and then cheer collegiately for The University of North Carolina at Wilmington. Charles has worked for Edge Cheer & Dance as Director of Choreography and Curriculum. During his time with Edge, he has won many regional, state and national titles with various programs ranging from junior high, high school, allstars as well as colleges. He is now a Platinum Choreographer for NCA and serves as the coach and choreographer for the North Carolina All-State team. As a certified Varsity Allstar Judge, Charles has judged for many brands as well as UCA, NCA, Cheersport, The American Championships, The Summit, The D2 Summit and The Cheerleading Worlds.



### Fred Loertscher II

Fred was a head cheerleader and Assistant Coach for Washington State University. He was part of the United Spirit Association instructional staff for 15 years. He has performed and co-directed several half-time shows from college bowl games to the NFL and NBA. Fred has judged high school, collegiate and All-Star nationals for ACA, NCA, USA, UCA, ASC, Spirit Cheer and American Championships. Internationally he judges for ONP's Mexico Nationals, England's Future Cheer Nationals and AACCF Australian Nationals. Fred has judged the USAF Cheerleading Worlds since 2007 and has been serving as a Head Judge since 2012.



### Randy Lyons

Randy has been involved with cheerleading for over 25 years as an athlete, coach, choreographer, and judge. He judges competitions across the US and Europe for organizations such as British Cheerleading Association, Celtic Spirit, JAMfest Europe, TRU, NCA, ACA, USA, and Spirit Cheer. He has been honored to be selected as a judge for The Cheerleading World's for the past ten years. Randy was captain of the cheer teams at the University of Central Arkansas and the University of North Texas, and was named a College All-American cheerleader. Randy has coached and choreographed routines for high schools, universities, and all-stars winning multiple choreography awards at national competitions. He was a head instructor for the National Cheerleaders Association and was named an International Co-ed all-star coach of the year at the International Open Cheerleading Championships. Randy is a Vice President of Technology at Zalando and lives in Berlin, Germany.



### Stephanie Maciaszek

Stephanie is from Augusta, GA and is a Provider Relations Specialist at AU Health. She has close to 30 years of experience in the cheerleading industry. Stephanie cheered at the collegiate level at Georgia Southern University where she received a degree in Exercise Physiology. During her summers in college she worked with both NCA and CCA where she received leadership and dedication awards. Stephanie has judged for multiple companies over the years that include: NCA, UCA, Spirit Cheer, All-star Challenge, Cheersport, Jamz, Summit and Worlds. Stephanie has two children and a supportive husband and weekends she is not judging, they are busy traveling to dance competitions or baseball tournaments.



### Joseph Murphy

Joe has been involved with cheer for over 29 years. He was captain of the University of North Carolina Charlotte cheer squad and has coached gymnastics for over 15 years. He has coached cheer on both the school / recreation and allstar levels. He has judged all over the US and has also judged internationally in the UK and Chile. He has judged for numerous event producers such as Cheersport NCA UCA, Jam brands and many other companies. He has had the privilege of judging The Cheerleading Worlds for the past 14 years.



### Lauren Peetz

Lauren has been involved in the cheerleading industry for 28 years as an instructor, coach, speaker, choreographer, gym owner and judge. She cheered competitively at Florida International University, was the head cheerleading coach and spirit coordinator at Georgia Tech, and has been a contributing writer for both American Cheerleader Magazine and Cheer Biz News. In addition to judging for various brands across the US including the Cheerleading Worlds, the Summit, the D2 Summit and NCA College Nationals, Lauren has also judged internationally in Australia, Germany, Costa Rica and Canada. She has been a choreographer and show director for the Hula Bowl halftime show and has appeared on the David Letterman Show and MTV's Real World Road Rules Challenge. Lauren has a Masters degree in Exercise physiology.



### Tam Pham

Tam has been involved in the cheerleading industry for nearly 20 years as an athlete, instructor, and judge. Her experience as a judge has lead her to opportunities not only in the

United States but also in Australia, Canada, Japan, and the United Kingdom. She has judged at multiple world qualifying events, within the US and internationally, and has been a part of the prestigious panel at The Cheerleading Worlds since 2016. She travels to Australia on a regular basis to join their expert panel of judges throughout the season. Outside of cheerleading Tam works as a Registered Dental Hygienist and enjoys spending time with her husband, son, and 2 dogs.



**Jodi Powell**

Jodi has over 30 years of experience in the cheerleading industry as an athlete, coach, administrator and judge. She has judged throughout the United States, Canada, and Chile.

Jodi has judged for various competition companies to include JAMZ, CDE, UCA, USA, NCA, Allstar Challenge, Cheer Challenge Chile, as well as The Cheerleading Worlds, The Summit and The One. Outside of cheerleading, she loves to travel and works as a Paralegal at a large Florida law firm.



**Travis Prior**

Travis has over 30 years of experience in the industry as a cheerleader, coach, judge and event producer. He has worked with teams in numerous countries and on 3 continents. Travis has been honored to have had the privilege to have judged the last 13 USASF/IASF Cheerleading Worlds. This season Travis will have judged many worlds qualifying events in the US, Canada and England. He is deeply humbled to be selected to for The Cheerleading Worlds. All the best to all the teams competing.



**Christina Rheault**

Christina has been an official for The Cheerleading Worlds for a number of years. She has over 25 years of cheer experience and has been a cheerleading judge for 20 years. In 2013, after 16 years as a coach for high school and All Star, she retired from coaching and shifted her focus towards judging. Christina has judged for multiple event producers under the Varsity All Star brand, Cheer & Dance Extreme, JAMZ, and AmeriCheer. She also has had the opportunity to judge in Cartagena, Colombia, Halifax, Nova Scotia, the BCA Nationals in Telford, England, the Future Cheer Nationals in Bournemouth, England, and in 2021 virtually judged multiple events for the Australian All Star Cheerleading Federation. Christina is certified annually as an IASF Legality Official as well and judges anywhere from 25-35 events each year.



**Tricia Schramm**

Tricia's passion for cheer started at an early age with highlights including: Captain and Coach at Western Illinois University, Dynamic Cheerleaders Association Camp Director, and as coach/choreographer for All Star, prep and school teams. Since 2006 Tricia has dedicated her time to judging, sharing her knowledge and expertise as a Panel, Legality, and Head Judge in the US, Canada and Australia including; The Summit, Cheer America, Jamfest, The Majors, GLCC, US Finals, Spirit Cheer, PacWest, ACP, NCA, UCA, GSSA, USA, ACA, Canadian Cheer, AASC, Future Cheer and most recently adapting to the virtual cheer judging experience through Tru Triple Threat, Cheer Match Live and The Spirit Network. She has served as a judge at The Cheerleading Worlds since 2014.



**Christina Showalter**

Christina has over 25 years of experience judging all-star, college, school cheer and dance competitions. She has judged the USASF/IASF Cheerleading Worlds for 14 years where she has been a Head Judge for the past 8 years. Christina has judged World Qualifying Events for companies such as NCA, UCA, ACA, All Star Challenge, American Spirit Championships, and Cheer America. Her international experience includes judging for Canadian Cheer Evolution, Alberta Cheer Association, Cheer Chile, Future Cheer in England, Cheersports Nationals in New Zealand, and the Australian All-Star Cheerleading Federation. She has also judged NCA's College Nationals since 2008. Christina is a former cheerleader and dance team member at DePauw University and was a member of NCA's Camp Staff for 4 years. Her background also includes 8 years of coaching school and all-star cheer. In addition to judging, Christina is heavily involved in judges' education and training where she enjoys mentoring rising professionals in the industry. Christina lives in Naperville, Illinois with her husband Chad and son Chase who is a senior at Lindenwood University and a member of the Men's Lacrosse Team.



**Shawn Simmons**

Shawn is a New Orleans, LA native but currently resides in Fall River, MA. An 18-year industry veteran and Varsity Brands certified judge, Shawn has judged at the Cheerleading Worlds, NCA All Star Nationals, CHEERSPORT Nationals, UCA International All Star Championship, ONP National Championship, Campeonato Brasileiro de Cheerleading and several other major cheer competitions.



**Susan Stavas**

Suzi is a Varsity certified judge from Beaverton, Oregon. She has more than 30 years experience as an athlete, coach and judge at the high school and all star level. Suzi has judged a plethora of events throughout the United States, Canada, Australia and Japan including Worlds Summit, and D2 Summit. She has been honored as OCCA Coach of the Year, NFHS Region 8 Coach of the Year, OCCA Member of the Year, and she was inducted into the OCCA Hall of Fame. Suzi is a former High School English teacher with a Masters Degree in Education; she now runs a cheer company that offers cheerleading camps, clinics, and choreography for high school teams throughout Oregon and Washington.



**Teri Thomas**

Teri is a Lexington, KY native with over 25 years of experience in the industry. She began her cheerleading career with Cheers! Inc. and Kentucky Elite. She cheered for Paul Laurence Dunbar from 2000-2004 where she was a member of their 2004 national championship squad. She continued her cheerleading career at the University of Louisville, capturing two national titles with the all-girl squad in 2005 and 2009. She was a five time All-American at Louisville while she earned a bachelor's degree in Public Health. Teri also coached at Louisville Male High School and Kentucky Elite; guiding them to many State and National Titles. Throughout her judging career, she has been a panel judge for The Cheerleading Worlds, NCA All-Star Nationals, World Spirit Federation, UCA International All-Star Championship and National High School Cheerleading Championships. Her success on the judge's panel also lead her to judging, internationally, in the United Kingdom.



**Thomasine Warmington**

Thomasine was introduced to cheerleading during her time at high school in Minnesota. After returning to Australia, she coached cheerleading for several years and continued her involvement in the sport by gaining her judging credentials. She has been judging for over 15 years in Australia, USA and has judged at The Cheerleading Worlds since 2017.

**PANEL JUDGES - TUMBLING**



**Joshua Anderson**

Joshua has been in the cheer industry as a cheerleader, choreographer, and judge for over 25 years. After securing power tumbling titles, Joshua continued his passion through cheerleading. Some highlights include individual national titles, cheering for Illinois State University, and was the spirit coordinator/head coach at Texas Tech University. During his tenure at TTU, the team was featured nationally and the program continues that success today. Anderson judges a variety of Varsity, Independent, and International cheerleading competition companies. He is a certified Varsity judge and serves as a judge for The Cheerleading Worlds.



**Ashley Beckett**

Ashley is a West Virginia native with over 20 years of cheerleading experience as an athlete, coach, and judges both domestically and internationally. Throughout her career she has judged for JamFest; including international's events in England and Sweden, The Majors, Battle at the Capitol, WSF, COA, GLCC, Athletic Championships, Cheersport, NCA All-Star Nationals, and The Cheerleading Worlds. She previously coached DuPont Manual High School and Louisville Male High School to multiple state and national titles. Ashley is a 3 time World Champion, 5 time Collegiate All-American, and 2 time Collegiate National Champion. She earned her Bachelors of Science in Nursing at the University of Louisville and her Masters of Science in Nursing at the University of Cincinnati. She currently lives and works in Louisville as an acute care pediatric nurse practitioner in the cardiac intensive care unit.



**Candice Childers**

Candi from Lincoln, Alabama has been involved with judging cheerleading competitions for over 38 years. She has worked for over 40 different event producers nationally and internationally. Within the past few years, she has worked several events in Chile, Australia, Canada, England and Scotland. Candi has served on a Worlds panel as a regular panel judge and a head judge. She has also been on a panel at the Summit since its inception. Candi has been married for 41 years to her best friend Tom.



**Erin Gardner**

Erin has been involved in the cheerleading and dance industry for over thirty years. She started as an All-Star cheerleader and continued her career into the professional level. She was also a technically trained dancer starting at the age of 2 and performing with a semiprofessional company throughout high school. Upon graduation, Erin coached and choreographed for national champion recreational, school, and all-star teams, and continued her passion by becoming a judge. She is USASF Cheer & Dance legality certified, and judges for companies including Cheer and Dance Extreme, Future Cheer - UK, Cheer America, and many Varsity subsidiaries. She holds a Bachelor's degree in Marketing and is working on a Master's degree in Systems Engineering & Program Management at the Naval Postgraduate School. She currently works for the U.S. Army as a civilian in Intelligence Systems & Analytics, and is married with two beautiful human children and two adorable puppy children.



**Ronald Derek Hopkins**

Derek is a former Wolfpack cheerleader for North Carolina State University. Throughout college, he served as a head camp instructor for Champion Cheerleading Camps. Derek was a member of the 1996 Centennial Olympic cheer team that performed in the opening ceremonies. Upon graduating from the School of Design and relocating to Atlanta to pursue his career in architecture, he coached for 2 years - leading his teams to multiple National Championships. Since coaching, Derek has judged for many USASF affiliated companies. His 28 years of judging experience include All-Star Challenge, American Championships. Athletic Championships, British Open, CANAM, Champion Cup Nationals, CheerNation, CheerSport, JamFest, JAMZ, OneUp, Spirit Sports, UCA, Universal Spirit, and WSF. 2022 marks Derek's 15th year serving as a panel judge for The Cheerleading Worlds competition.



**Jordawn Howard**

Jordawn is a former collegiate cheerleader where she was a 4-time NCA All-American and 2-time Collegiate National Champion. She was also a member of a USASF World Champion team in 2007. Jordawn was an NCA instructor and head instructor for three years before transitioning to the judging world. In her years as an industry judge, Jordawn has traveled both nationally and internationally including competitions in the U.K., Canada, Japan and Chile. Domestically, Jordawn has judged for several prestigious events including the Majors, US Finals, D1 and D2 Summit, and The Cheerleading Worlds. Jordawn has also had the honor of being voted "Best Panel Judge" by her peers at the JAM Brands two years in a row.



**Hayden Lockwood**

Hayden has over 12 years of experience judging all-star, school, and university cheerleading competitions. He has judged The Cheerleading Worlds on multiple occasions as well as National Championship events throughout Australasia as both a panel and head judge. Hayden is a former gymnast and cheerleader. His background also includes over 17 years of coaching gymnastics, cheerleading and dance acro.



**Lance Logan**

Lance has been involved in cheerleading for over 20 years as a cheerleader, instructor, coach, and adjudicator. Lance has been a panel judge since the 2013 Cheerleading Worlds. He has adjudicated internationally for Canadian Cheer Evolution, the British Cheerleading Association (BCA), le Fédération de Cheerleading du Québec, International Cheerleading Coalition (ICC). Additionally, Lance has judged Regional, National, and Worlds Bid Events for All Star Challenge, Champion Cheer Central, Cheer & Dance Extreme,

Cheer Ltd., CHEERSPORT, JAMZ, National Cheerleaders Association (NCA), and Universal Spirit. Lance is a TRU Triple Threat certified judge. From 2010-2015, Lance served as the Virginia High School League (VHSL) Northern Region Cheerleading Commissioner. He cheered at George Mason University and professionally as a member of the NFL Baltimore Ravens Co-ed Cheerleading team.



### Cloé McLenan

Cloé has been involved in the cheerleading industry for 23 years as an athlete, instructor and judge. After being a competitive gymnast, diver and power tumbler, Cloé shifted towards cheerleading and has been actively involved since. Over the past 13 years, she has judged many events at the national and international level. Cloé lives in Vancouver, Canada where she is a high school teacher and mother of two.



### Katie Morgan

Katie is originally from Plymouth, Michigan and now resides in Tuscaloosa, Alabama. She cheered for Plymouth-Salem High School from 2000-2004, finishing in the top 10 all 4 years at UCA High School Championship. She competed and qualified for partner stunts 2002-2004. Katie cheered at the University of Alabama from 2004-2007 and began judging and coaching in 2006 after cheering at the University. She has judged on the High School, College and All-Star level for both UCA and NCA.



### Shannon Morris

Shannon currently resides in Gloucester, MA. She has been coaching all levels of gymnastics for over 30 years in addition to judging nationally for cheer and dance. She is the former CEO and Partner at Gymco Sports in Grand Rapids, Michigan and also coaches camps and clinics during the summer months. As a former competitive gymnast, cheerleader and dancer, Shannon brings with her not only years of training and experience, but also a passion and desire to see athletes of all ages and levels excel. Additional information: Assistant Adjunct Professor at Aquinas College since 2003; Clinician for USAG, MHSAA and MCCA; presenter for MiAEYC, NAEYC, Bright Beginnings, Early On and Even Start; business host for KIDS Educator in the Workplace; and she is certified in CPR and First-Aid.



### Brandon Norbeck

Brandon currently lives in Campbell, California where he works for Apple, Inc. Before entering the cheerleading industry Brandon competed as a club gymnast for 12 years. Since that time he has spent over 20 years in the industry as a coach, choreographer and judge. He cheered through college at Vanderbilt University in Nashville, TN. Brandon has judged events in the USA, Canada, Columbia, and Australia. Some of his career judging highlights include judging The Cheerleading Worlds, the Australian All Star Cheerleading Federation Nationals, and NCA All-Star and College Nationals.



### Tiffany Smith

Tiffany has been involved in the cheerleading industry for over 20 years as a competitor, coach, and judge, transitioning from competitive gymnastics. She has experience with All-Star, college, high school, and recreational cheerleading. Tiffany has served as Head Judge, Panel Judge, Scoring Representative/Accu Score, and Legality Official for State, National, and International Competitions. She has been judging for the past 15 years and has judged The Cheerleading Worlds since 2013. Outside of judging, Tiffany spends her time Directing a Gymnastics Program in New York.



### Travis Stokes

Travis has 27 Years of cheerleading, coaching, choreography, and judging experience at the High School, All-Stars, and Collegiate levels. He has trained over 1,000 athletes with 5 years of complete coaching and choreography experience. With 10 years in All-Star competitive cheerleading as an athlete, Travis won multiple national championships including NCA All-Star Nationals, and a Silver and Bronze medal at The Cheerleading Worlds Championships. Travis coached Charles H. Flanagan High School to the first-ever FHSA 2011 Regional Championship and a 3rd place finish out of 33 teams at the FHSA 2011 Cheerleading State Championships. Also, as the Assistant Coach for FIU Cheerleading over four years, the program was in the top ranks of the NCA Collegiate National

Championship. Since 2008, Travis has judged for multiple Cheer and Dance companies and brands nationally and internationally (Levels 1-7, multiple divisions).



### Dante Tennant

Dante is a graduate of Valdosta State University where he received his Bachelor's degree in Music Education, and Masters in Higher Education Leadership. He is currently the Spirit Coordinator and Head Cheerleading Coach at Middle Tennessee State University. Dante began his collegiate coaching career at his alma mater, Valdosta State. During his ten years there as Head Coach, he led VSU to four NCA Collegiate National Championships. In addition to collegiate coaching, Dante was a member of the NCA Staff for 13 years, and he has been judging all star cheerleading for 12 years.



### Rosann Whittington

Rosann brings over 30 years of cheerleading experience to the cheerleading industry including: coaching, judging, former cheerleader and gymnast. Rosann has been judging for over 25 years and 9 years with Varsity. Some prestigious events Rosann has had the honor of panel judging for include: The Cheerleading Worlds, CHEERSPORT, NCA All Star Nationals and High School Nationals, The Summit, D2 Summit as well as internationally. Rosann was named as one of Varsity's All Star Top Honors and standout judges for the 2019-2020 season.

## PANEL JUDGES - OVERALL



### Charlotte Allen

Charlotte is a retired teacher and cheer coach of 28 years. She has been judging on all levels of cheerleading as well as college for over 30 years in the US for many of the top cheerleading companies. Some on these include; NCA, UCA, ACA, USA, CheerSport, Universal Spirit, and the list goes on. She has also judged internationally in countries such as Australia, Canada, Chile, and England. Charlotte has had the honor of judging The Cheerleading Worlds since 2006 to present and was chosen as a Head Panel Judge in 2021. She has also had the privilege of judging The Summits since 2013 till present.



### Mark Bond

Mark has been involved in the cheerleading world for over 35 years as an athlete, coach, choreographer and judge. He is a graduate of Fairmont State University where he cheered for 4 years and was an NCA Collegiate All-American. He later received his MA from West Virginia University. He is a former NCA head instructor, from 1988-2000. Mark has coached all levels of cheerleading in both the school and All-Star settings. He has had the pleasure to judge for multiple event producers across the US as well as in Canada for Canadian Cheer Evolution and the UK for Future Cheer and BCA. This is his 8th year judging the Cheerleading Worlds. Mark currently resides in WV where he is an elementary library/media specialist.



### Tiffany Bryant

Tiffany Bryant has been an International judge for Canadian Cheer Evolution, British Association, Quebec Cheerleading Federation, Australian All-Star Cheerleading Federation, and the 2019/2022 ICC British Open & Battle of Champions competition in Nottingham, England. Tiffany has been a World's judge since 2008, serving in the capacity of Mini-Head Judge and Cheer Panel Judge; and has adjudicated for several national cheer companies, now under the Varsity umbrella: ACA, American Cheer Power, CHEERSPORT, Spirit Celebration & NCA. In addition, she works for IEP's, Cheer & Dance Extreme, JAMZ, and cheer company, TRU Triple Threat. She is Varsity certified, a member of the Worldwide Judge Association and has been a presenter at several coach/cheer clinics during her judging career. During her 20 plus years in the industry, she has performed panel/head/safety duties and is a past nominee of the SITA Outstanding Judge Award. Ms. Bryant resides in Northern Virginia, has been an Elementary School Counselor for 27 years and is excited to be a part of The Cheerleading Worlds 2022!



### Denise Buzzinotti

Denise has been joyfully involved in the cheer and dance industry for over 30 years as a competitor, coach, consultant, keynote speaker, subjective judge and legality official. Denise has been blessed

to judge national, international and world-bid cheerleading competitions for many of the top cheerleading companies across the world - from Dallas to England! She is the proud inaugural recipient of the Varsity All Star Honor and Legacy Award. It is her honor to be a twelve time World's Judge. Also, she has had the pleasure of judging The Summit, D2 and U.S. Finals.



### Jessi Christian

Jessi has been involved in the cheerleading industry for over 30 years as a competitor, instructor, coach, choreographer, and judge. She has judged both cheerleading and dance for over 20 years for various companies. She has judged national competitions for NCA, USA, and ACA, as well as AASCF Nationals in Australia and in Mexico City for ONP. She spent ten years as an instructor for the United Spirit Association where she won the Hardest Working, Leadership, and Unity Awards. Jessi was a Head Instructor for USA for 7 years. She helped produce Varsity half time shows for the Sparx, Clippers, and 49'ers, as well as the Pro-Bowl Half Time Show in Honolulu, HI. Jessi has been judging The Cheerleading Worlds since 2016.



### Ann Dearsman

Ann is a certified judge from Port Richey Florida. She has been in the cheer industry for over 26 years as a coach, choreographer, gym owner and judge. Ann Marie has judged Regional, Classic, National, International, Summit and World bid events for many prestigious independent and Varsity brands in the USA and Canada such as American Championships, All Star Challenge, Coastal Cheer, American Cheer Power, All Things Cheer, Spirit Cheer, PAC West, UCA, NCA, Spirit Sports, Mid Atlantic, Jamfest Super Nationals The Quest and The Summit.



### Sanaa El Rassi

Sanaa is from Montreal, Quebec, Canada and has over 38 years of experience in cheerleading, 25 years of experience in coaching and 23 years of experience in judging. She is currently part of the Cheer Canada Officials Development Committee which mandates are to provide leadership and direction in the development of Cheer Canada's Officials and to develop a national/standardised judging methodology for all Canadian provincial associations. She also participated in the development of the judges training and certification program for the Quebec Cheerleading Federation along with being a head judge, judges coordinator and judges instructor. Since 1999, she judges at local, provincial, national and international events. She participates in several competitions for various event producers in Canada, the US and England: Canadian Cheer Evolution, Quebec Cheerleading Federation, Sapphire Productions, Ontario Cheerleading Federation, Cheer Expo Cheerleading and Dance, Kicks Cheerleading, Team Champion/Champion Spirit Group, Flip and Shout, CheerSport & Universal Spirit, Varsity Canada, CheerMatch and the British Cheerleading Association. Sanaa is very honoured and privileged to participate as a Cheer panel judge for The Cheerleading Worlds since 2014.



### Shannon Louis

Shannon is from Cincinnati, Ohio where she has been involved in the cheerleading industry for over 25 years. In those years she has coached all levels of school and all star cheerleading. Shannon has participated as a panel judge on the national circuit for CHEERSPORT, Universal Spirit, NCA, American Cheer Power, American Championships, Spirit Festival, One Up, Encore, COA, Coastal, Cheerlebrity, Athletic Championships, America's Best, All Star Challenge, UCA, AmeriCheer, WSF and British Cheerleading Association. Shannon has also served as a judge for The Cheerleading Worlds. Shannon and her husband, Dan, have three sons, Vince, Anthony and Dominic.



### Rebecca Mason

Becca has been involved with the United Spirit Association for the last 25 years, and has been judging regional and national cheer and dance competitions for 23 years. Becca has cheered and danced for over 25 years, and has competed nationally as an All Star, and at the collegiate level, in both. She has judged several years for The Cheerleading Worlds, traveled to Japan to judge USA Japan Nationals, twice to Mexico City as a judge for ONP Nationals, and has also had the opportunity to judge for the Australian All Star Cheerleading Federation for their Winterfest, National Championships and The Pinnacle.



**Erica Neal**

Erica is from Lancaster, Ohio and works as a Developmental Specialist. Erica's passion for cheerleading began at the early age of 5 and from there she was all in. She has over 27 years of cheerleading experience as an athlete, coach, choreographer, and judge. Erica has helped develop training materials and resources for judges throughout the industry. Erica is a Tru Triple Threat Judge and a certified judge for Varsity. She judges nationally for Greater Midwest Cheer Expo, Jamz Cheer & Dance, Champion Cheer Central, Cheer Derby, CheerMatch, and Varsity. She has judged internationally in Chile, Canada, and England. Erica has judged The Cheerleading Worlds for six years.



**Heather O'Brien**

Heather is from Maryland and has been involved in the cheerleading industry for over twenty years as an athlete, coach, and judge. She is a cheer and dance legality official certified through USASF and is also certified through the MHSCC. Heather judges for several companies on the east coast and is the Scoring Administrator for Cheer and Dance Extreme. When she is not at a competition, she is busy spending time with her husband and three sons.



**Greta Sherwood**

Greta has panel judged for The Cheerleading Worlds since 2010 bringing over 25 years of cheerleading experience as a judge, coach, choreographer and athlete. She attended the University of North Carolina at Charlotte where she competed with the Varsity squad for 4 years. She has judged for numerous companies all over the country at the All Star, High School and Collegiate level. Her international experience includes Worlds qualifying events in Canada, Costa Rica, Australia and the U.K. Greta is a mother of two living in North Carolina.



**Kristen Shook**

Kristen is a lifelong member of the cheerleading and dance industry. Kristen attended Clemson University where she was a member of the Co-Ed cheerleading team and then the Rally Cats dance team. Kristen was also a UCA camp instructor and later an assistant coach at Clemson for 2 years. For the past 15 years, Kristen has spent her weekends judging a variety of cheer and dance competitions in the US and abroad including The Summit, Cheer America, CheerSport, NCA, Jamz, Cheer & Dance Extreme, Canadian Cheer Evolution, the British Cheerleading Association, and Cheer Challenge Chile. Kristen has been nominated to judge Cheerleading Worlds each season she has been eligible and served on a panel every year since 2014. Professionally, Kristen is a marketing director in the pharmaceutical industry.



**Donna Snyder**

Donna is a former Wright State University Cheerleader. She is a veteran staff member for UCA with 13 years coaching experience. Donna has been judging at the national and international levels for 29 years. This includes judging for UCA, NCA, USA, Varsity All Star, The International Cheer Union, Worlds, Summit and D2 Summit. She has represented the ICU as a judge in Costa Rica, Puerto Rico, Japan, Germany, Scotland, Malaysia, New Zealand, and Australia. Donna is also the founder of Cheer For A Cure, a Breast Cancer Benefit Cheer competition in Dayton, OH. This has been a successful event for 21 years and was featured in the October 2021 issue of Inside Cheerleading Magazine.



**Karen Snyder**

Karen is a cheerleading professional with over 30 years of experience including a wide variety of roles as athlete, coach, All Star gym owner, choreographer, consultant, and judge. Because of her experience and education in scoring, she's had the privilege to judge throughout the Continental United States, Hawaii, throughout Europe, and Canada. She has served in many capacities as a panel judge, head judge, judge trainer, stand manager, and scoring official. She has judged several World Qualifying events, and has judged The Major's since its inception. She has been honored to judge The Cheerleading World Championships since 2013.



**Karen Stearns**

Karen resides in South Florida where she is the Athletic Director and Compliance Officer for American Heritage High School overseeing 19 different sports and 56 teams. Previously, she was their cheer and dance coordinator and coached their varsity competition squad for 13 years. She has over 30 years experience coaching and judging all-stars and high school. Karen judges national and international competitions through-out the United States, Canada and Europe for several companies including CHEERSPORT, Universal Spirit, ICC, American Championships, American Cheer Power, UCA, Cheer Ltd., Cheer Expo, The FCQ, Champion Spirit Group, Summit and The Cheerleading Worlds.

**DEDUCTION**



**Stephanie Baxter**

Stephanie started cheering at the age of 8 years old with a competitive all-star team in Salt Lake City, UT. Once Stephanie graduated from high school, she cheered for the nationally ranked college team Weber State University. Stephanie was a part of the United Spirit Association (USA) instructional staff and a head instructor for 8 years. Stephanie has judged The Cheerleading Worlds in 2017, 2018, 2019, and 2021. She has traveled multiple times to Mexico City to teach stunt clinics and judge ONP Nationals. Stephanie was the cheerleading coach at the University of Utah from 2015-2019. In July 2017, Stephanie traveled to Baotou China to work with children from across the country learn cheerleading skills and help develop cheerleading in China.



**Jaeshaud Broome**

Shaud was raised in Sacramento, CA and has been a part of the cheerleading industry for 14 years. This is his 3rd year judging at The Cheerleading Worlds and he's had the privilege of judging other prestigious events such as The Summit, D2 Summit, NCA and Cheersport. Now living in New York City, Shaud is an actor, and during his free time he enjoys going to the gym and catching up on the latest Netflix binge!



**Rodolfo Cavero**

Dean has more than 19 years experience judging on the national cheerleading circuit of three countries and has had the privilege of being a part of the All-Star and Collegiate cheer industry as a competitor, coach, and choreographer for over 27 years. He has won countless championship titles and accolades during his cheer tenure and takes great pride in bringing the same joy and passion to a new generation of athletes competing in the sport he loves.



**Sheila Dawson**

Sheila has served as a spirit industry consultant for over 26+ years, traveling nationally and internationally as a cheer & dance judge, commentator, and AccuScore representative. She has had the honor of judging at prestigious events such as The Cheerleading Worlds, The Majors, NCA All-Star Nationals, The Summit & D2 Summit, Cheer Alliance, The U.S. Finals, and Jamfest Cheer Super Nationals. Sheila has also coached All-Star Cheerleading and served as an Oklahoma Collegiate Head Cheer & Dance Coach. Sheila has earned numerous judging awards during her tenure as a judge.



**Jeri Francis**

Jeri, from Jacksonville Florida, has been involved in All-Star cheerleading for over 20 years. Before coaching at the collegiate level, she began her coaching career in North Carolina while cheering in college and doing choreography throughout the Southeast. Jeri has been judging school, rec and All-Star cheer competitions for the past 17 years. Not only has she excelled at judging stateside, she has also judged in Japan, Canada and throughout Europe. Jeri has worked extensively with the Swedish Cheerleading Federation with their judges training and education.



**Kari Ganske**

Kari, a high school English/ESOL teacher, has been involved in cheerleading since 2002 as a coach, competition director, judge, and the Maryland

State Co-Director for Public Schools. She is a certified legality official through NFHS and USASF; has served as safety, panel, head, and accuser at the local, state, regional, national, and international levels serving MPSSCC, CDE, Spirit Sports, Cheersport, Epic Brands, and ICC in England. She is honored to be a judge for The Cheerleading Worlds for the 6th time. When she isn't judging, Kari can be found chasing her children with a camera or reading.



**Robert Garner**

Robert graduated from Wichita State University (Wichita, KS) with a dual degree in Business Administration/Secondary Education and earned a Masters Degree in Education Administration. He is a former educator serving in the role as Principal and Executive Director of Secondary Schools for the Wichita Public Schools. He is currently serves as the CEO/President for Youth Horizons in Wichita Kansas. Robert's Cheerleading background includes being a Collegiate Cheer All-American and Head Camp Instructor for the National Cheerleaders Association. He was selected as Kansas Cheer Coach of the year, performed in the opening ceremonies of the 1996 Summer Olympics, and was awarded Who's Who Collegiate Coach of the Year. Robert has adjudicated local, state and national level cheerleading championships for the past 25 in addition to traveling abroad as a cheerleading consultant in Germany. He has been a judge for The Cheerleading Worlds for several years.



**Candice Gunn**

Candice is from Richmond, VA and has been involved in cheerleading for over 25 years. She cheered for high school and at the collegiate level when she attended Virginia Commonwealth University. While in college, Candice staffed camps for Spirit Xpress and worked competitions for Allstar Challenge. During this time, she began judging for numerous USASF-affiliated brands including Allstar Challenge, CANAM, Cheersport, UCA, JAMfest, IASAF and Universal Spirit. 2022 marks Candice's fifth time serving as a deduction judge for The Cheerleading Worlds.



**Nicole Haight**

Nicole has been involved in cheerleading and gymnastics for more than 35 years as an athlete, coach, gym manager and judge. She is USASF legality official certified, and has judged nationally for 20 years. Nicole has been honored to judge The Cheerleading Worlds since 2008. She is a member of the Varsity All Star Fashion Design Team, and resides in Charlotte, NC.



**Chantelle Johnston**

Chantelle has been involved in the industry for over 20 years. At age 18 she began judging for The American Championships, leading cheerleading camps for CTC, and directing regional events throughout the state of Florida. Over the years she has served as a USASF certified Legality Official and a Varsity certified Deductions Judge. In 2016 Chantelle traveled to London to judge at Future Cheer Internationals. In 2017 she was selected to judge at The Summit and D2 Summit. She is excited to return to the Cheerleading World Championships for her 5th year.



**Julie Mihaljevic**

Julie has been involved in the cheerleading industry for 37 years. She coached at Synergy All Stars in Lancaster Pennsylvania for nine years where she earned numerous national titles. For the last 20 years she has judged events for Advanced SPIRIT Association, Cheer and Dance Extreme, Epic Brands, Mardi Gras Spirit, NCA, ACA, All-Star Challenge, Cheer Alliance 2018, Canadian Cheer Evolution, Cheer Expo and the BCA. She is excited to return to The Cheerleading World championships for her 12 year.



**James Smith Sr**

James has been in the cheer industry for more than 25 years. He was a high school cheerleader, college cheerleader, Collegiate All-American Cheerleader. NCA staff member and Head Instructor for more than 15 years. He was college cheer coach for 24 years and has been judging on the district, regional, national levels for 20+ years. He a veteran Worlds Judge from the great state of Louisiana.

## LEGALITY



### Robin Bolden

Robin (Atlanta, GA) has been in cheerleading for over 25 years, including 15 years of all-star choreography and coaching. She was a UCA Head Instructor for 9 years. Robin is a certified USASF & IASF Legality Judge. As a presenter at coaches' conferences, Robin shares her knowledge about the rules and point deductions. Several companies including WSA, Champion Cheer Challenge, JAMZ, Cheer America, Future Cheer, ATC Australia, Aussie Gold, and AASCF hire her for her expertise as a Legality and Deduction Judge. She has been a Legality Judge for several World Bid Qualifying panels and The Cheerleading Worlds since 2008. Robin was nominated for Spirit Industry Trade Association "Outstanding Cheer Judge" for 2010. Cheer Biz Magazine (FEB - MAR 2013 issue) featured her in the "Judges' Table" article. Robin was selected as one of the "Cheer Biz News 35 under 35 Influential People in Cheerleading" Class of 2013. In the 2016-2017 season, Cheer Replay, an innovative deduction and review system, launched with Robin as one of the contributors. Robin is a member of USASF Rules Committee.



### Scott Bouchard

Scott is the Former Head Coach for the 5 time NCA Division II/III All-Girl National Championship Team, The University of Massachusetts at Dartmouth. Scott has judged, coached and choreographed at the High School, College and All-Star level for 25 years. He has been a credentialing instructor for the USASF in the Northeast since its inception. Scott currently serves on the USASF Rules Committee and has been part of numerous boards and committees throughout his career. He is a Certified Legality Official through the USASF and judges numerous local, national and International All-Star competitions, including the Cheerleading Worlds. In addition, he is a former Brand Manager / Owner of the Event Producing company, Advanced SPIRIT Association. He believes teams are most successful when coaches create an environment for athletes where they continuously strive to accomplish individual and team goals while having fun along the way!



### Jill Bugner

Jill is cheerfully returning to the Cheerleading Worlds. She has served as a Worlds judge since 2017. She has been involved in All Star cheerleading since 2006 as either a coach or judge. She is currently certified as a USASF and IASF Cheerleading legality official and USASF Dance legality official. She has had the privilege of judging regional and national events across the United States.



### Everth Campos

Everth is a Colombian judge with 10+ years of experience in both judging and developing judging educational programs. He is a certified legality official for both the USASF and IASF, and holds the black, red and green medallion in the ICU education program. Everth has judged multiple national competitions in Colombia as well as competitions in the USA, Ecuador, Guatemala, Chile, Brazil among other nations. He also is a judge for the ICU. Everth designed, developed, and supported the Colombian Cheerleading Federation in creating curriculum for judges education and providing judges training since 2017.



### Andre Carter

Andre is the Interim Director of Cheer Rules and Level 7 Credentialing Leader for the USASF and a member of the USASF Rules and Worlds Judge Selection Committees. Andre was formerly an Instructor for the International Cheer Union, the Director of Education for the USASF, the Assistant Director of Rules, Safety, and Judging for the USASF, and served on the USASF Athlete Registration System Technology Team. In addition, Andre has worked for a major event producer, cheer music production company, and camp and choreography company. Andre has experience with All Star, High School and College championships and has judged for companies in the United States, as well as in Australia, Costa Rica, Chile, and England. Andre has also served as a legality official at The Cheerleading Worlds and multiple all level end of season events.



### Orry Clayborne

Orry has been a USASF-certified legality official for 13 years. He is a former cheerleader for the University of Tennessee and has been on UCA staff for 16 years. He has judged numerous national and bid events and is currently the scoring and event director for UCA.



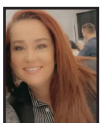
### Amanda Fairhall

Amanda has been involved in cheerleading in the U.K. for 30 years. She has been a member of the USASF & IASF Cheer Rules committee for the past 10 years. In her current role with Future Cheer, she looks after 18 events per season in the U.K., Spain, France and Amsterdam, overseeing all aspects of scoring for cheer and dance. Amanda has judged all over the U.K., Ireland, Germany, Malaysia, Australia and at ICU worlds and The Summit. She has also regularly worked as part of the legality officials team at USASF & IASF Cheerleading Worlds. Amanda is excited to be able to return to Orlando for the USASF & IASF Cheerleading Worlds!



### Khristopher Franklin

Chris has over 22 seasons of judging experience around the US and internationally including 3 years as a building judge and 7 years as a legality official for The Cheerleading Worlds. He has 27 years of coaching experience including 10 years at the collegiate level.



### Kristi Boaz Harr

Kristi is a former cheerleader for the University of Houston where she won two NCA Collegiate National titles. She is USASF certified and has judged The Cheerleading Worlds as a legality official for over 13 years. She has over 18 years of judging experience at International, National and Regional competitions.



### Mary Celeste Johnson

Celeste has 25 years of experience in the cheerleading industry. Her roles over the years have included being a gym owner, all star director, consultant, and speaker. Celeste has been certified as a legality judge by USASF since 2009 and is a part of USASF Mentoring Program since 2012. She has served as the NACCC Executive Committee Southwest Region Representative from 2013 to 2015. She also served on the NACCC Small Gym Committee and the USASF Disciplinary Committee. Currently, Celeste is one of the USASF's Member Support Specialists. In addition to her USASF roles, she judges for several All Star brands.



### Ian Pudge

Ian has been a USASF Certified Legality extensively through both Canada and the US, as well as Australia (AASCF) and England (FutureCheer). He has judged The Cheerleading Worlds on multiple occasions, as well as National Championships and World Bid events for a wide variety of event producers. Originally from Toronto, Ontario he currently lives in Chicago, Illinois.



### Brittany Anne Rick

Brittany has 12 years of judging experience at the local, regional, national and international level. She has been a certified USASF legality official for 10 years. She is a former UCA staff member where she taught and head camps for 8 years. She is a graduate of Marquette University where she was a member of their cheerleading team.



### Eric Rodriguez

Eric is a certified USASF legality official. Over 25 years of his life has been dedicated to All-Star, college, and school cheerleading. His combined experience as an athlete, coach, choreographer, and judge has led him to judge many of the national and world bid events across the world including : NCA, UCA, Cheer Sport, Spirit Sports, Athletic Championships, Encore, Cheer America, JAMZ Nationals, CCC Nationals, Jamfest Super Nationals, Future Cheer (United Kingdom) , AASCF (Australia), Costa Rica, ATC International, Varsity Canada, International Summit, D2 Summit, The Summit, and ICU. This is his 8th year judging The Cheerleading Worlds.



### Nicole Rollins

Nicole is a Veteran Worlds legality official who has been judging for over 15 years. She has been certified with USASF for 10 years and in that time has judged at many premier national events across the U.S. on Worlds panels. She was a competitive cheerleader from youth all the way through college before she transitioned over into coaching, choreographing, and judging.



### Charles Taylor III

Charles is a former member of the San Antonio Spurs Coyote Crew. He attended the University of the Incarnate Word in San Antonio, TX., where he later coached both the large and small coed teams. With over 20 years of experience, he has had a full career in cheer and dance as an athlete, coach, gym owner and event producer earning numerous awards and titles along the way. He is USASF Certified Legality Official for both Cheer Cheer and Dance. He has had the privilege of serving as a judge for many prestigious events in the USA, Europe, South America, Australia and New Zealand including The Cheerleading Worlds.



### Jason Trost

Jason has over 15 years of experience in the cheerleading industry as both a coach and a judge and has had the opportunity to work many of the top events in the country for multiple years. This is Jason's 10th season as a USASF Legality Official and his fifth year at The Cheerleading Worlds. Full time Jason works as a Learning Production Leader for EY based in Charlotte, NC.



### Christopher Turner

Christopher is excited to be back to judge The Cheerleading Worlds, and has been involved as a panel or legality judge since 2014. Christopher has served throughout the industry as a judge and scoring official for numerous regional and national events including national events for CHEERSPORT, Universal Spirit, NCA, UCA, JAMZ, Universal Spirit, Rockstar Championships, and many others. Christopher has also enjoyed the opportunity to judge internationally throughout Canada, Australia, and the United Kingdom.



### Ryan Turner

Ryan has judged for The Cheerleading Worlds since 2013. Ryan has also served as a legality official at the ICU World Championships. Ryan has judged all over the United States and has served as a judge and scoring official for Varsity's DI and DII Summits, for NCA All Star Nationals, UCA and Cheersport. Additionally, Ryan has judged internationally in Australia (AASCF / Cheer Unlimited Australia), The United Kingdom (British Cheerleading Association / Future Cheer), New Zealand (Cheersports NZ), Canada and Mexico. In addition to judging Ryan has been a guest speaker at cheerleading conferences in both Australia and The United Kingdom. Ryan also performed in the Broadway National Tour of Legally Blonde The Musical!



### Harold Williams

Harold has been in the All-Star Cheerleading industry for over 20 years. Originally from Atlanta, he now resides in Ft. Lauderdale, FL, where he coaches at Florida Triple Threat All-Stars. Harold began his cheerleading career cheering for Georgia All-Stars. Later, he went on to cheer in college at Morris Brown. There, he had the opportunity to be in the hit movie "Drumline". In 2010, he won the USASF's Cheerleading Worlds in the International Open Coed division. Nowadays, his weekends are filled with judging safety for USASF sanctioned events during the All-Star season and doing camps and choreography during the off-season.

## QUALITY



### Jeffrey Bailey

Jeff is from Manhattan Beach, CA and has over 30 years of experience with the United Spirit Association as a former instructor, camp/clinic director, and as a judge, judge stand manager, event director and coach. Jeff has had the opportunity to judge for numerous prominent event producers, including the United Spirit Association (USA), The American Championships, GSSA, Aloha,

NCA, PacWest, and the Atlantic Championships. Jeff has served as a Quality Judge for The Cheerleading Worlds for the past three years. In addition to his experience as a judge, Jeff has been instrumental in assisting with the production of pre-game and halftime shows for the Pro Bowl, World League, and collegiate bowl games. Professional experience also includes Director of the Los Angeles Clippers NBA Dance Team, choreographer for feature film and television, and coach and choreographer for Jr. High, High School and College cheer teams.



**Shania Boston**

Shania earned her Accounting degree at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte where she also cheered. She has been involved in the cheerleading industry since leaving college as a coach, judge, and event director. Currently, Shania is in her 9th year of employment as a scoring official and is excited to be back at The Cheerleading Worlds.



**Tanya Bowles**

Tanya, former cheerleading coach for Wake Forest University and former president of NC Cheerleading coaches Association, brings a wealth of cheerleading wisdom. She has been a World's judge previously. Tanya owned-and coached a small All Star gym in North Carolina for many years. Tanya served as the Judging Coordinator for All-Star Challenge for many years. She also served as a Curriculum Head for the Overall Category for Varsity Judges training. Tanya is one of the three founders of TRU Triple Threat.



**Sara Francks**

Sara has over 25 years of cheerleading experience. She cheered for Brigham Young University where she was a captain and a member of the Student Athlete Advisory Board. She has been involved with the United Spirit Association for 20 years, starting as an instructor at USA's camps and having the opportunity to be a head instructor and teach at the College/Pro camp for 10 years. Sara has traveled to Guatemala, Japan, and Singapore to participate in cheerleading events, and has judged nationally and internationally for multiple companies including USA, NCA, UCA, All Star Challenge, American Championships, Cheer LTD, and Spirit Cheer. She is honored to be selected as a judge for The Cheerleading Worlds since 2008. Currently residing in the Philadelphia area, Sara is a mother to 4 beautiful girls, and is the Senior Vice President of Operations for a global hearing healthcare group.



**Jolene Harris**

Jolene has been involved with cheerleading for over 30 years. She was an instructor for United Spirit Association for several years and was also a Head Instructor for USA. Jolene has judged cheerleading competitions for over 20 years. She has judged regional and national competitions for many companies, as well as at the Summit, D2 Summit, and Worlds competitions. She loves traveling to Japan to judge the USA-Japan National Cheerleading Competition and has provided training for their All-Star judges.



**Lisa Hemmie**

Lisa has been in the Spirit Industry for over 34 years as a gym owner, participant, coach, international judge, and guest speaker. Her expertise as a judge has enabled her to travel both nationally and internationally and she has worked with all the major event producers. Lisa believes that the industry should strive for consistency in best practices and has served on numerous national boards that advise and direct the Cheerleading industry. She maintains USAG, AACC, USASF, NAYS, and WHO safety certifications. Lisa resides in California as a working actor, a spirit industry consultant, founder of American Sports & Entertainment, and as the COO for the Veterans of War Aid Foundation.



**Giselle Mandujan**

Gigi is from Stockton, California. She is a veteran Varsity certified judge with more than 25 years of experience in the cheerleading industry as a coach, a panel judge, and a head judge. Gigi has adjudicated for numerous USASF-affiliated event producers, some of which include Aloha, American Championships, American Cheer Power, CheerSport, Encore, JAMZ, National Cheerleaders Association, and United Spirit Association. A teacher with 22 years of classroom experience, she currently teaches high school AVID and Student Government classes. She also serves as her school's

coordinator for positive school climate, which allows her to apply her passion for creating inclusive spaces that are culturally relevant.

**THE DANCE WORLDS DIRECTORS**



**Patricia Adams**

Patty is the Hip Hop Panel Director for the USASF/IASF Dance Worlds. She has enjoyed a career in dance for over thirty years, allowing her to experience a wide field of creative arenas. From dance performance ensembles and musical theater to education and curriculum development, her knowledge base is extensive. Patty's primary focus has been in Hip Hop choreography and team preparation for competitive dance events. She has consistently led teams to top-five placements, as well as numerous championships and innovative choreography awards. Having coached at the High School, Division IA College, and All Star levels, Adams is well versed in competitive dance. In addition, she is a member of the Judges Education, Hip Hop Credentialing, and Exceptional Athletes Committees, as well as having served as a Keynote Speaker, Dance Library Author, and Mentor for USASF Dance. When not speaking at conferences or judging events, Adams enjoys her role as Executive Director of Spirit Ride, a non-profit Therapeutic Riding center that assists children with a wide array of diagnoses reach their goals through equine-assisted activities.



**Michelle Allison**

Michelle is the USASF Jazz Panel Director at The Dance Worlds. She has a B.S. in Dance Performance from Ball State University, is Artistic Director of Curtain Call Dance Center in Indianapolis. Michelle directs the Senior Performing Company and annual productions of The Nutcracker and Dance Against Cancer and develops their curriculum and continuing education. Since 2010, Michelle has been a choreographer for the Colts NFL Cheerleader auditions and halftime shows and a guest judge/master instructor with JCDA Tokyo, Japan for nine years. She is a veteran judge of The Groove Experience, UDA College Dance Nationals, NFL Colts, and Ben-Gals, and spent 13 years teaching for NDA, choreographed and field produced numerous bowl games and nationally televised parades, and has judged NDA Regionals, School, All-Star and College Nationals since 1992. Since the inaugural year, Michelle has judged The Dance Worlds.



**Erin Alvarado**

Erin is the USASF and IASF Contemporary/Lyrical Panel Director at The Dance Worlds. She is in her tenth year as the Pom Squad coach at Texas Tech University. While at Texas Tech, her teams have won six National Championships, traveled to Shanghai, China to represent the USA in their annual Tourism Festival, performed alongside the Dallas Cowboys Cheerleaders many times, and are consistently requested to do performances across the United States. Erin is a graduate of West Virginia University with a bachelor's degree in exercise physiology, and a minor in dance. Erin currently serves as an Adjunct Dance Faculty member at Texas Tech in jazz, hip hop, movement for the performer and tap. In 2019, she was voted National Collegiate Coach of the Year. She has judged several national and international events over the span of twelve years.



**Sarah Miller Bate**

Sarah is the Dance Director of Rules & Safety for USASF. She received a dual BA in Dance and Education from Old Dominion University and has studied dance for over 35 years. She was a 4-time National Dance Alliance (NDA) High School All-American and a 4-time NDA Collegiate All-American. After college, Sarah danced with Norfolk, Virginia-based modern dance companies Second Wind Dance Company and Todd Roselieb Dance Company. She also performed with choreographer Amanda Kinzer's company in NC, KY, Hampton Roads, and NYC for various International Dance Festivals. While recovering from an injury, Sarah discovered Classical Pilates and became certified through the Pilates Center of Virginia. A third-generation instructor with a direct lineage to Joseph Pilates, she has taught the traditional method for over 15 years, working with Olympic athletes and dancers from The Washington Ballet. She also co-created a barre fitness program with other professional dancers and trained instructors around the country. Sarah has been judging at the national level for over 20 years.



**Anastasia Miller Burns**

Anastasia is the USASF and IASF Hip Hop Panel Director for The Dance Worlds. She is a graduate and dance team captain from The Ohio State University. After graduation, Anastasia became a talent agent booking choreographers, dancers, actors, athletes, and models in feature films, television, commercials, music videos, Broadway productions, and world artist tours. She was a senior agent and department director at BLOC Talent Agency LA, BLOC NYC and Clear Talent Group NYC for nearly 16 years. For the past eight years, she has joined the team at Inside Publications as the Executive Vice President (titles include Inside Gymnastics and Inside Cheerleading) and Co-Publisher of the all-access dance magazine, INSIDE DANCE. You can find her speaking and judging at numerous dance and talent competitions/conventions across the US and internationally.



**Cheryl Paquette**

Cheryl is the USASF Dance Adjudication Director and Communications Coordinator and serves as the USASF Pom Panel Director at The Dance Worlds. Cheryl has been involved in the dance industry for over 30 years and is trained in ballet, tap, jazz, and pointe, spending six years as a company member with the Gateway Ballet. A graduate of the University of Missouri, she earned a National Championship title with the Mizzou Golden Girls dance team. She is a former NFL St. Louis Rams Cheerleader and NBA Dallas Mavericks Dancer. In 2017, she was awarded the Herkie Legacy Award for her commitment to the industry. Cheryl resides in St. Louis, MO, and enjoys judging for many national and international Event Producers.



**Dawn Walters**

Dawn is the IASF Pom and Junior Panel Director at The Dance Worlds and is the Head Coach of the University of Kentucky Dance Team, currently ranked 5th in the nation in the Hip Hop division at UDA. In 2017, her team became silver medalists in Pom and Hip Hop as they represented the U.S. National Team at the ICU International Dance Championships. Dawn has judged, spoken at coaches conferences, and had teams perform internationally, including Japan, China, Mexico, Australia, and Canada. Dawn danced and cheered at the University of Kentucky



**Jessica Walz**

Jessica is the IASF Jazz and Kick Panel Director at The Dance Worlds, bringing an extensive background with over 30 years of experience in performing, coaching, consulting, judging, and choreography. She received her B.A. in Dance from Point Park University. Jessica was the choreographer for Club Med Resorts and has presented shows on Royal Caribbean Cruise Lines and at Walt Disney World. Jessica was named one of the top dance coaches in the Dance Coach's Survival Guide. She has been a guest speaker at numerous State and International Coaches and Dance Conferences including TDEA, Aussie Gold (AUS), Dance Teachers Summit (NY), Varsity & USASF Conferences. Jessica proudly serves as part of the credentialing committee for USASF and Director of Judges Training for The National Dance Coaches Association (NDCA). She has been published in Inside Dance, Dance Spirit Magazine, USASF.net, and Varsity.com. Jessica has received national titles with NDA College Nationals as well as receiving the Innovative Choreography Award. Jessica continues to choreograph and teach master classes across the US and abroad, as well as a judge for local, national, and international events.



**Shelly Warren**

Shelly is the Quality Control Director at The Dance Worlds. She is the current Golden Girl Spirit Squad Director at The Villages High School in, FL, and a veteran Head Instructor for Universal Dance Association. In addition, Shelly is a veteran national and international judge and works as a choreographer and competition consultant for high school, college, studio, and all-star programs across the country. She is the rehearsal coordinator for the pregame performance for the Citrus Bowl held annually in Orlando, FL. She has served as rehearsal director for pregame at the ACC Championship Game in 2015 and 2016. Shelly has obtained national titles as a dancer, coach, and choreographer in High Kick, Hip Hop, Pom, and Jazz and continues to pursue her dream of educating and inspiring dancers through her travels to studios and schools nationwide.



### Mary Wendt

Mary is the Dance Scoring Director for the IASF and has been involved in the dance team industry for over 41 years as a coach and industry professional.

She was the Education Director for USASF Dance and the Associate Director of Enrichment and Leadership, where she assisted in developing workshops for coaches and athletes. Mary has judged internationally and facilitated coach and athlete workshops, including developing a leadership program for students from Moldova this year. Mary is the former Director/Choreographer of the North Texas State University Showgirls and the Assistant Director/Choreographer for the Texas Christian University Showgirls, her alma mater where she was their captain and received a BS and MS in Kinesiological Studies. She was a Kilgore College Rangerette Lieutenant and has been director for several high school teams in various states. The Texas Dance/Drill Team Educators voted her their youngest Lifetime Achievement Recipient and Hall of Fame Recipient. She received the Hall of Fame Award from DX Events and is honored to be named one of the NDCA Hall of Fame recipients. She is the Executive Director and former choreographer of the Citrus Bowl and worked for MA Dance as their Vice President for over 35 years.

## CONTEMPORARY/LYRICAL



### Jesus Acosta

Jesus is originally from Guanajuato, Mexico. He started dancing at the age of eighteen at Sam Houston State University where he received his dance training. Aside from adjudicating and teaching, he currently dances for Houston Contemporary Dance Company in Houston, TX. Other company credits include Houston METdance Company, The Kista Tucker Dance Company, Hope Stone Dance Company, and founding member/rehearsal director for NobleMotion Dance. While dancing for NobleMotion Dance, he performed in and collaborated in over 40 original works. Jesus has also been with MA Dance and Auxiliaries for seventeen years teaching, choreographing, and judging all over the United States. He has also had the opportunity to set choreography on The Houston Texans Cheerleaders among other notable organizations. He has performed at The Ailey Theater, The Kennedy Center in Washington D.C., The Paramount Theater, The McCallum Theatre, and The Rose Wagner Performing Arts Complex among others. Jesus loves the fact that dance can bring so many of us together through the universal language of movement.



### Bea Arnold

Bea is from San Diego, CA, and has over 20 years of collective experience as a professional dancer, nationally ranked choreographer, and judge. She has trained in and taught ballet, jazz, lyrical, modern, and hip-hop. Previously she was a full scholarship recipient for the Gus Giordano Jazz Dance Center in Chicago, IL, danced with a San Diego based modern dance company, former NFL San Diego Charger Girls, and the former Jazz Dance Program Director for the United Spirit Association. Bea has directed dance teams at the collegiate and high school levels, as well as worked extensively as a collegiate, high school, junior high, and elementary dance judge on the national and international circuit, including United Spirit Association, Universal Dance Association, JAMZ, and The Dance World's judging panels! Bea holds a California Teaching Credential in multiple subjects, a K-12 Authorization in Dance Education, and a Master's in Education.



### Daniel Gibson

Daniel, a Georgia native, has been dancing professionally since he graduated from the University of Georgia. Trained in hip-hop/breakdance, jazz, African, contemporary, and ballet, Daniel opened his career with a national tour with 13th Floor Performing Arts, where he was a featured performer and choreographer. He continued his training in capoeira, acrobatics, and contemporary when he became a company member for the Chicago-based fusion company, Chicago Dance Crash. After relocating to Chicago, IL, Daniel has performed for the Oprah Winfrey Show, Kid Sister with Kanye West, Culture Shock Chicago, Elephant Filmworks, a National campaign for Uniqlo and UPS, Lucky Plush Productions, the Seldoms, and Chicago Dance Crash. He was a featured dancer in the short film, "Wonderland or Humans who talk and dance." Daniel has been a featured presenter and master instructor for NDA, the Minnesota Vikings Cheerleaders

Training Program, JamFest, WACPC, and the University of Kentucky dance team. He is currently adjunct faculty at Northern Illinois University and is a two-time Dance Worlds Contemporary/Lyrical panelist and a nine-time Dance Worlds Hip-Hop panelist.



### Jill Haller

Jill is the Director of Dance at Magnificat HS in Rocky River, Ohio. Jill has designed multiple college preparatory dance programs, writing curriculum and programing that has been recognized for excellence within the industry. In 2006, Jill received a Senate Resolution from the State of Ohio for her outstanding work in dance education. Jill regularly serves as adjudicator for many event producers, including NDA, UDA, and various others. Haller is originally from southern California, where she received her BA in Theatre and Choreography from Concordia University. She has choreographed over 50 professional and pre-professional musicals—her true passion in dance! In 2010, she received the Lifetime Achievement Award with AmeriDance for her impact within the dance education platform. In recent years, Jill was recognized for best musical choreography by the Dazzle Awards, in partnership with the National High School Musical Theatre Awards in NYC for Annie, Cats, Footloose, and Matilda at Magnificat. Jill is honored to serve as judge for The Dance Worlds.



### Sarah Leighton

Sarah has dedicated more than 25 years to dance. From the Cleveland area, Sarah grew up training at a studio on a competitive dance team and competed across the country. She attended numerous classes, workshops, and camps while living in NYC. She brought that training back to the studio, where she taught and coached competitive dance teams for over ten years. Many of her students earned regional and national titles. Sarah went on to dance professionally for the AFL, where she represented Cleveland at the Arena Bowl, and for the NBA on the Cleveland Cavalier Girl Dance Team. During her time with the Cavs, she made many national TV appearances and performed with nationally recognized recording artists and choreographers. Sarah has had the privilege of judging across the nation for various brands since 2015. She hopes to continue judging and inspiring dancers for many years to come.



### Melissa McGhee

Melissa, a native of Toledo, Ohio, is a graduate of The Ohio State University where she obtained a B.S. in Business Administration. She is the current Head Coach of The Ohio State University Dance Team. Under her direction, the team won the program's first-ever National Championship in 2018 and has nine total to date claiming the 2022 UDA National Championship in DIA Pom, Jazz, and Game Day. After sixteen years of studio training, she now consults for dance studios and teams nationally and judges for numerous dance competitions including NDA, UDA, AmeriDance, Showcase America, Stage 8, OASSA, and The Dance Worlds. Melissa has been a speaker at the Varsity Dance Coaches Conference, National Dance Coaches Association Conference and provided coaches education classes for CLI Studios. She was also named National Dance Coaches Association (NDCA) College Coach of the Year in 2020 and currently serves as the NDCA College President.



### Kate Ridge

Kate, from Sydney, Australia, has earned a MEd in Global and Cultural Education, PE Teaching Credential and BFA in Dance from CSULB. She is the Co-Creator of the All Star Dance Experience and has performed for Disneyland Resort, Disney Animation Studios, Disney's California Adventure, Lego Land California and toured throughout the USA with Dance America and Dance Olympus Conventions. Kate was a top 10 contestant for the TV reality show, The Business of Dance, and is the face of Jazz for Flip Sport, Australia. She has adjudicated for the ICU World Cheerleading Championships and USASF/IASF Worlds, UDA in the USA, ICU in China, KCA in South Korea, AASCF in Australia, and MDDJ in Japan. Kate has led seminars for coaches in Australia, China, USA, Mexico, Europe, Malaysia and Ukraine.



### Tami Whatcott

Tami graduated from Utah Valley University with a BFA in Modern Dance and a BS in Dance Education. She has been a member of Synergy Dance Company, Contemporary Dance Ensemble, UVU

Ballroom Tour Team, and danced as well as coached for the Utah Flash. Other notable professional companies include Diavolo, Joel Hall Dancers, Noumenon Dance Ensemble, and Myriad Dance Company. She has been trained in ballet, modern, jazz, contemporary, hip-hop, and ballroom. She has judged, performed, and taught in over 15 different countries and has done choreography for professional NBA teams, dance companies, and numerous different studios and award-winning high schools.

## HIP HOP PANEL



### Danielle Albertina

Dani is a St. Louis native based in Los Angeles. She is an alumnus of Southeast Missouri State University, where she earned her B.A. in Dance & B.S. in Human Environmental Studies while competing on the collegiate dance team Sundancers. Her performance credits include music videos with Miss Ko, soloist within the immersive NYC theater show Menagerie D'Arte, lead performer for Meredith O'Connor and The Golden Probe Awards hosted by Margaret Cho. Dani's choreographic highlights include her students performing at Madison Square Garden, selected choreographer to stage work at ACDA and indie artist's videos. She currently hosts and produces the podcast Dance Tips Daily, performs with LA Follies and teaches the next generation of artists. She is certified by NCFR as a Family Life Educator and prides herself in bringing both an ethical and holistic approach to her dance classes, critiques and choreography.



### Toya Ambrose

Toya is a former member of the University of Memphis Pom Squad, and an NBA dancer for the Chicago Luvabulls and Memphis Grizzlies. She is the former Spirit Coordinator for the University of Connecticut (UCONN) spirit teams, and also Head Coach of the UIC Dancing Flames. Toya currently owns T.R.A. Choreography LLC and choreographs competitive teams worldwide - most recently in Japan, Slovenia, Finland, and Mexico. Alongside Shandon Perez, she is co-founder of Tone Society; a digital training and mentorship program for choreographers. Toya is the current Head Coach for the Chicago Bulls dance teams - the Luvabulls and the 312 Crew (all-male hip hop team). Toya brings expertise from every aspect of the industry. She has an impactful voice, and is a national and international adjudicator. Chicago, IL is home, and she's married to attorney Garvin G. Ambrose. Their greatest adventure is being foster parents to three beautiful baby girls.



### Christopher Brown

Chris Brown is a choreographer/dancer from Houston, TX. He made his professional debut in 2005 as a principal dancer with the three-time platinum recording artist Frankie J., whom he toured internationally with for three years. He is an alumni member of the Houston Rockets Launch Crew that he choreographed and performed with for three years, and he is still performing and choreographing to this day.



### Stacy Garrastazu

Stacy has more than 30 years of dance experience and brings a wealth of knowledge and expertise to the dance industry. She has coached and choreographed for numerous studios, schools, colleges, professional sports teams, and All Star dance teams throughout her career. Traveling across the country to competitions, conventions, and workshops, she stays at the forefront of what is new and cutting edge in this industry. Stacy currently teaches master classes and choreography to select organizations and has sat on the legality and judging panels for Stage 8 Dance, Varsity All Star, Champion Cheer Central, Pennsylvania Elite, Champion Spirit Group, BCA Cheer and Dance, ICC, JAMZ, and NDA. Stacy has been a member of The Dance World's judging panel since 2014. Her extended hip hop, pom, jazz, and contemporary background has made her an asset to many studios, school, collegiate, and All Star organizations.



### Satoko Goko

Satoko has been involved in the performance cheer industry for over 27 years. She was the coach and choreographer of the National Team of Japan, receiving two Gold and eight Silver medals at the ICU World Cheerleading Championships since 2010. Her teams have also received many titles and awards at the USASF/



IASF Worlds. She has been a judge for many national and international competitions in Japan, USA, Australia, China, Korea, Thailand, Singapore, Indonesia, Chinese Taipei and Mongolia. She is currently active in various aspects of the sport including workshops, coaches conferences, showcases and choreography. Satoko is one of the leaders of several committees in the Japan Federation for Sport Cheer and Dance, and works to develop their system, as well as manage and maintain their committees.



**Tony Gonzalez**

Tony is a professional choreographer, creative director, casting director and producer from Los Angeles, California. He recently choreographed twenty-two Broadway-inspired commercial spots for American Express, wrapped another BRING IT ON MOVIE, #7 for the franchise, SYFY Television Channel airing in October, and choreographed the music video for Olivia Rodrigo "GOOD 4 U". Tony is a creative choreographer and casting director on the Fox series "The Masked Singer" season's 2-6. Currently, Tony is working on a new pilot for NICKELODEON airing in the summer of 2022 and continues to collaborate and create choreography for fitness guru Tracy Anderson's online streaming platform and her fitness empire. Tony has cast over 120 national commercials and choreographed over 310 spots for network television. His work continues to progress, working with the NBA and NFL Pro Dance teams across the country.



**Thomas Jacobs**

TJ hails from New York City, where he currently resides. Originally from Northern Virginia, TJ grew his love for dance culture training at Culture Shock DC and Freestyle Culture. This passion has led him to many amazing endeavors such as TEDx Talk, Bessie Awards Nominee, Founder of Pace Settlers Dance Company and the pleasure of performing with Betty Who, Wyclef, Crystal Waters, BMW, World Of Dance and The Wizards, to name a few. He has extensively trained in many styles such as House, Waacking, Vogue, Popping and Locking from some of the industry's greats. He is also grateful to be a part of the NYC Artistic community, where he most recently collaborated with a group of Artists from TRPNYC Dance Company. During the recent recession, the work he created was featured in the New York Times. This work, commissioned by Stephen Petronio Dance Company, was also nominated for a Bessie Award for Outstanding Production, alongside Bill T. Jones and other phenomenal Artists. These experiences have helped shape Mr. Jacobs' ideology of dance and the arts as a whole. This ignites his desire to transfer knowledge through judging, teaching and mentorships.



**George Jones, Jr**

George, a celebrity choreographer/instructor/dancer, has worked with some of the biggest icons of this generation. He received his Bachelors of Art from Marymount Manhattan College. The artist that trusted his career into overdrive was Britney Spears, but since then, he has worked on projects ranging from Jennifer Lopez, Nicki Minaj, and Usher to TV and film. George is currently a rising star in the world of choreography and direction. In 2016 he founded his all male company "The Vibe Xclusive". He has been a faculty commercial hip hop instructor at top studios in the world: Movement Life Style, Broadway Dance Center, and Millennium Dancer Complex. George has secured his place amongst this generation of elite commercial dancers and is paving his way with the next generation of choreographers and instructors.



**Lindsey Lococo**

Lindsey has been the Spirit Coordinator and Head Dance Coach at her alma mater, the University of Illinois-Chicago, since 2010. She graduated with a B.S. in Movement Sciences and danced on the nationally-ranked UIC Dance Team. In 2003, she began dancing with Hip Hop Connixion and later became a company director. She went on to dance with Design Dance, Work in Progress and direct several dance teams for professional arena sports teams in the Chicagoland area. Performance credits include Oprah, Beyoncé, Fantabuloso feat. Carly Rae Jepsen, Chicago Sky and Discover. Lindsey is a former UDA instructor and has choreographed at the high school, collegiate and NBA level. She adjudicates for the IHSA, IHSDTA, WACPC, UDA, and Varsity All-Star Brands and has spoken at several coach conferences, including the National Dance Coaches Association. Lindsey resides in the Chicagoland area with her husband and their son.



**Jay Lopez**

Jay is a choreographer and artist with extensive experience in hip hop, jazz, pom, and classical techniques, who dedicates his career to help and educate others. He has traveled around the world - from Europe to America to Asia - spreading the pure desire of growth, and self-development, convinced that every human being can reach their greatness. He has adjudicated for many prestigious international competitions including the ICU World Championships and the USASF/IASF Worlds for several years.



**Christopher Moss**

Chris Moss can be found in the Academy Award film La La Land as well as Gangster Squad, The Muppets, Bring It On: Fight to the Finish, Bring It On: In It To Win It, Bring It On: All Or Nothing, Meet the Spartans, The Comebacks, Music and Lyrics, The Hot Chick. He's trained actors for their dance roles, including Tom Cruise in Tropic Thunder and Rob Schneider in The Hot Chick. His choreography can be seen in Tropic Thunder, 2 Broke Girls, NFL PROMOS, and several industrials. You may have seen Chris on numerous award shows and television productions such as The Emmys and Academy Awards, The Boys, Goliath, Euphoria, Fuller House, Dollface, and Legion. He's danced and worked some of the world's most recognizable names as Britney Spears, LL Cool J, Jennifer Lopez, Jessica Simpson, Whitney Houston, Brian McKnight, Lionel Richie, Hugh Grant, Donald Glover and Ken Jeong, to name a few.



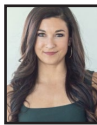
**Bonita Alva Saldaña**

Bonita's influence is recognized from the streets to the stage. Her career originated as a Phoenix Suns Dancer using her classically trained background. After winning several solo competitions, she soon found her love for Hip-Hop and became an internationally recognized dancer. Aside from appearing with artists in commercials and T.V. shows, she has been judging, teaching, choreographing, performing, and battling internationally for over 17 years. She continues to live out her calling daily as the owner of one of Phoenix's most sought-after dance schools, The Studance Lab. Additionally, she launched Arizona's first Youth Breaking League, where young Bboys and Bgirls can hone their skills in a round-robin style competition. In 2021, she joined Breaking for Gold's elite coaching team and will continue to be an integral part of training the first generation of USA Olympic Breaking Athletes.



**Sarah Schneeweis**

Sarah is the owner of HYPE Dance Studio and creative director of the award-winning Fusion Dance Company since 2003. Sarah is a creative consultant and choreographer for various NBA and NFL dance teams across the country. In 2019 Sarah traveled with the Sacramento Kings and led the dancers to perform at the first-ever NBA India Games. She is on faculty for Varsity Pro and is a contributor to Inside Dance Magazine, where her blog The Positive Dance Mom features dance-related topics. Sarah has choreographed for nationally ranked college and high school dance teams, dance studios, recording artists, industrials and stage productions. She is a former dancer and choreographer for the NBA Golden State Warriors Dance Team and has been working closely with the Sacramento Kings since 2004. Sarah is a former UDA Head Instructor, choreographer and master teacher, a veteran judge for The Dance Worlds, ICU, NDT, and UDA.



**Morgan Schulte**

Morgan has over 20 years of experience in the dance industry as a teacher and choreographer. Currently she is in her 6th season dancing professionally for the NBA Memphis Grizzlies. She was a 7-year head instructor for UDA camps at the high school and collegiate levels and has traveled internationally with UDA for special events. Morgan judges many competitions for various brands, including The Dance Worlds. She attended the University of Nebraska-Lincoln where she earned degrees in Exercise Science and Dietetics, and has a Master's degree in Nutrition from Saint Louis University. She fuses dance with her other passions of health, wellness, and nutrition as a speaker on these topics throughout the country. She is a kickboxing instructor, Orangetheory Fitness coach, and a dietitian and fitness coach through her own business, Motivate.



**Jenny Smith**

Jenny is a nationally recognized and award-winning choreographer. She is a former member of the UNC-Chapel Hill cheer and dance teams and a former captain for the NBA Dallas Mavericks Dancers. Jenny has been a principal dancer for many national projects, and her choreography has been featured on major network TV shows, national television commercials, industrials, films, reality television shows, NFL fields and NBA courts. In addition to being the proud Director of the Dallas Cowboys Rhythm and Blue, the only co-ed hip hop dance crew in the NFL, she is the Director of the Dallas Cowboys Rookie Squad & The Officials, a choreographer with Varsity Pro. She travels the country choreographing and master instructing for numerous dance organizations, professional teams and studios. Jenny also proudly serves on the hip hop score sheet advisory boards for NDA and USASF.

**JAZZ / KICK PANEL DIRECTOR**



**Rachel Domangue**

Rachel, originally from New Orleans, Louisiana, is the former Director of the National Dance Alliance. With an extensive background in high school and college dance team, Rachel's BFA in Performing Arts-Dance from the University of Louisiana at Lafayette has allowed her to network with all facets of the dance industry. She has worked all over the U.S. as a dance team coach, choreographer, teacher, judge training consultant and speaker. Rachel has been honored to judge for JCDA at the All Japan Cheer and Dance Championship in Tokyo, NDA, UDA, Varsity All Star, The Dance Summit and The Dance Worlds as both a Legality Official and Panel Judge. She currently lives in Dallas, Texas, and serves on the USASF Dance Rules Committee. Rachel is the Director of Business Operations and Development at Glass Staircase, a marketing and branding agency that focuses on empowering women and small businesses.



**Erika Hebron**

Erika, originally from St. Louis, Missouri, has over 30 years of dance experience. As a former gymnast and Miss Missouri, she has trained extensively in ballet, pointe, tap, jazz, lyrical, and acrobatics. She graduated from Oklahoma City University receiving her BFA in Dance Performance. Erika resides in NYC as a dancer, singer, and actress. Select performing credits include the First National Tour of the Tony Award-winning musical, An American in Paris, a swing on the West Side Story National Tour, and numerous shows at regional theaters across the country. Along with performing, Erika spent eight years as a head instructor for Universal Dance Association. She has choreographed for many nationally ranked college and high school dance teams and is a sought-after instructor at conventions, summer intensives, master classes, and setting choreography at studios around the country. Erika currently serves as the Producer and Choreographer of the Miss Missouri Pageant.



**Kristin Best Kinscherff**

Kristin is an Associate Professor and Head of Dance at Southern Illinois University Edwardsville as well as the Artistic Director of the SIUE University Dance Company. She holds an MFA from the University of Iowa. Kristin is a former company member with The Big Muddy Dance Company, served as the Artistic Director of Turn of Change Dance Collective, and for aTrek Dance Collective. Her choreography has been presented at the American College Dance Association's Gala Concert, SIUE Summer Theater, CHICAGO The Musical (SIUE), FAME (SIUE), National Dance Week, Midwest Dance Festival, Grand DanceFest, Dancing in The Streets, The Gala/Extravaganza for Body Worlds 3 at St. Louis Science Center, the Victoria Ballet Theater, University of Iowa, SIUE, and Lindenwood. She has a certification in Autism Movement Therapy® and developed a dance curriculum for children with special needs. Kristin has served as a head instructor, choreographer, and on the curriculum committee with UDA. She is an adjudicator with UDA, NDA, The Dance Worlds, and Stage 8 Dance.



**Heather Langham**

Heather currently residing in New York City, is a 12-year veteran with The Radio City Rockettes. She began dancing at the age of two at her family-owned dance studio in Arizona. She received a

Bachelor of Interdisciplinary Studies from Arizona State University in 2003 where she was captain of the nationally ranked ASU Dance Team. During her Rockette career she has performed on the MTV Video Music Awards, The 72nd Annual Tony Awards, America's Got Talent, The Today Show, The Meredith Vieira Show, Live with Kelly, Martha Stewart, and 11 Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parades. In 1998, she began working for the National Dance Alliance. She has choreographed for many nationally ranked collegiate teams including Southern Methodist University, Sacred Heart University, Northern Arizona University, The University of Pittsburg, and The University of Albany. Heather also has years of experience in adjudication and has been on the panel of many prestigious competitions with NDA, COP Brands, USA, and The Dance Worlds.



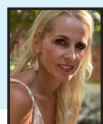
### LI SHAN (Janet) LIN

Janet graduated from the National College of Physical Education Sport in Taiwan with a major in dance. She has over 25 years of experience in choreography and teaching. Now she is a consultant for the Judge Committee of CTCA (Chinese Taipei Cheerleading Association). Janet led the national team of Chinese Taipei as a team coach from 2011 to 2016 and judged for CTCA from 2011 to 2022. In the past years, she has coached and judged for various other cheerleading competitions and has been aggressively attending sports events that are related to performance cheer and cheerleading in different countries.



### Gretchen Noack

Gretchen is a graduate of California State University Fullerton, majoring in Dance and Public Relations. She began her dance career as the Dance Program Director for the United Spirit Association, where she oversaw staff training and program development. Gretchen has choreographed many nationally ranked dance/drill teams and numerous professional dance teams throughout her career. Her passion has been spent judging state and national competitions across the U.S. and internationally. Since its inauguration, Gretchen has been selected to the judging panel at The Dance Worlds. Over the years, Gretchen has judged the USA Japan Nationals held in Tokyo and the ONP Nationals Event in Mexico City. Gretchen has extensive jazz, ballet, hip hop, pom, and traditional dance/drill training. Currently, her full-time career is coordinating educational dance trips for dance teams and studios all over the United States. She also recently completed her comprehensive training in Pilates and is on the road to becoming a certified Pilates Instructor.



### Valerie Potsos

Valerie is in her 20th season as Head Coach of the nationally ranked University of Michigan Dance Team, where she was the captain of the dance team. She is the Director/Owner of Dancer's Edge Studio in Dexter, Michigan. As an international choreographer for the Vienna Vikings Dance Teams in Austria, she has choreographed for NAIA College Teams, High School Teams, All-Star Teams, and professional corporate sponsors. She is a seminar presenter and curriculum consultant for Varsity University on topics such as motivation, leadership, team building, and many more. Her students have auditioned for America's Got Talent and were featured on the show in 2015. Along with judging local, state, and national competitions, she has judged studio, high school, and college dance nationals for various organizations.



### Victoria Spadaro

Tory is a Connecticut native whose training has compiled studio, school, and all-star dance styles. She danced collegiately for Central Connecticut State University where she became captain and lead them to their first national championship. She competed as an athlete at The Dance Worlds and coached/choreographed in all-star dance. Additionally, she's coached and choreographed at the high school and studio levels. She started her professional dance career in the WNBA and later cheered for the New England Patriots, where she was captain for three of her four seasons. She was selected as the 2017 Cheerleader of the Year and sent to the Pro Bowl in Orlando. She performed in Super Bowls XLIX, LI, and LII, and at the 2018 Pro Bowl Halftime Show with Jordan Fisher. She is excited to be a part of The Dance Worlds 2022.

## POM / JUNIOR PANEL



### Brian Cao

Brian has been involved in the spirit industry for over 25 years on the school, all-star, collegiate and professional levels. A graduate of the University of Oregon and a Pacific Northwest native, he resides and works in Dallas, Texas. His involvement in the industry has afforded him opportunities all around the globe, including work in the United Kingdom, Canada, Finland, and Japan. Brian's dance resume includes performing with several professional companies in Oregon, including three seasons with the NBA Portland Trailblazers Jam Squad. He currently works as a choreographer and consultant to cheer and dance teams of all levels and was the choreographer for Team England Freestyle Pom in 2018. In his limited free time away from training, he travels the world speaking at conferences, judging for major cheer and dance events, and is a 6-time judge for The Dance Worlds.



### Heather Fong

Heather, born and raised in San Jose, CA, has been dancing since the age of 2 and is technically trained in all dance styles. She's a graduate of San Diego State University, and while attending, she was captain of their nationally ranked dance team. Heather graduated with her BS in Child and Family Development and a Masters in Education. She was coach and choreographer for two nationally-ranked song teams in south Orange County and worked with numerous award-winning song/dance teams in the area. She has currently been judging for the Varsity Brand companies at the regional/national level for the past 16 years for dance, cheerleading, and Song/Pom, as well as ONP Nationals in Mexico City. Heather is going into her 20th year teaching for the United Spirit Association and 18th as a Songleading Head Instructor. She is excited to be on the Pom Panel for her 3rd year!



### Julie Jacobson

Julie has coached cheer and dance in Wisconsin for over 30 years, spending 15 of those years co-coaching a successful cheer and dance team which competed internationally in Australia and New Zealand. Julie has judged all levels and genres of scholastic, recreational, and all-star cheer and dance regionally, at the state level, nationally, and internationally in Australia and New Zealand. She has also been an NFHS Rules Judge for 32 years, and a USASF Dance Legalities judge for ten years. She enjoys life with her husband and two dogs.



### Jessika Leonard

Jessika has over 30 years of dance experience, including education/training, coaching, judging, and instructing. Her training includes ballet, pointe, jazz, tap, baton, gymnastics, and she has extensive training in her area of expertise, pom. As a dancer, she studied alongside world-renowned dancers in NYC and received numerous accolades, including her acceptance to the Minnesota Conservatory of Art. Jessika has performed and choreographed for the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade, Walt Disney World, College Bowl Games, and several NFL half-time shows. As an accomplished dancer, she later shared her passion for dance by coaching high school and all-star teams, who consistently made appearances in the state finals and captured top national honors. Jessika now focuses her efforts on speaking at conventions and conducts private choreography and workshops with teams and coaches. Jessika has extensive experience judging state, national, and international competitions, including multiple years with The Dance Worlds.



### Christina Leone

Christina is wrapping up year 18 coaching at the high school level and is currently the head coach at Rock Canyon HS in Colorado. Her teams have earned numerous regional and state titles and are perennial finalists at UDA Nationals. Most recently, Rock Canyon earned back-to-back State Championship titles in 5A POM and earned three top 5 finishes at the 2022 NDTC, including two bronze medals. In 2018, they were selected as the Varsity Brands American Spirit Leader Award winner. Christina was the National winner of the 2015 Double-Goal Coach Award from the Positive Coaching Alliance and, in 2016, named Coach of the Year by the Colorado HS Coaches Association. She has judged for The Dance Worlds, national championships at the high school, all-star, and collegiate levels for UDA, NDA, USA, GSSA, Dance Summit, JamFest

and JamFest Japan and currently serves on numerous industry committees. Christina is an avid fan of figure skating, all Colorado sports, loves camping, traveling and spending time with her husband and two daughters.



### John Peters

John is recognized as one of the Nation's most innovative and award-winning choreographers. Recent choreography projects include live performances with Warren G., Montell Jordan, French Montana, Bebe Rexha, James Corden, Craig David, Tone Loc, and Snoop Dogg. In 2019 he choreographed the NBC Sunday Night Football opener with Carrie Underwood. John is the choreographer for the World Champion Los Angeles Rams Cheerleaders. Other pro sports clients include the Denver Broncos, Indianapolis Colts, San Francisco 49ers, Los Angeles Chargers, Boston Celtics, and the L.A. Laker Girls. Worldwide televised features include the 2017 Hong Kong Chinese New Year parade, NFL America Bowls in London, Tokyo, Barcelona, Pro Bowl Hawaii, Super Bowl XIX, LIII, and LVI. He has choreographed countless winning routines for college, high school, studio, and all-star cheerleading and dance champions. John is a former United Spirit Association Spirit and Dance staff member, Program Director, and Creative Director.



### Anke Schoenfelder

Anke is a former athlete in artistic gymnastics. She competed at the 1992 Olympic Games in Barcelona. After her gymnastics career she first coached the national squad of women's gymnastics in Cape Town/South Africa and then in Swakopmund/Namibia. Anke has been involved in the performance cheer industry since 1999, as first an athlete, then as a coach and choreographer. For more than 10 years she was Head Coach of the Alba Berlin Dance Team and Head of the Dance Department. Anke is an ICU judge and member of the ECU Judges Committee.



### Jarrin Rolle Warren

Jarrin has been in the dance industry for more than 30 years. She is a recognized dance coach/director, instructor, and choreographer with works ranging from pee-wee to collegiate and professional. She has judged for numerous dance companies and competitions nationally and internationally and has received choreography awards in hip hop, pom and jazz. Some of Jarrin's accomplishments include dance performance assistant of the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade, halftime performance coordinator/choreographer for the New Jersey Nets, dance camp instructor/choreographer Japan, dance assistant for the Aloha Bowl Hawaii, production assistant of Thanksgiving in Paris, France, a nine-year judge at The Dance Worlds, a five-year Dance Summit judge, CopBrands Mexico 2018 and 2019 dance judge and COP Virtual Games Mexico 2020.

## LEGALITY



### Christian Aleman

Christian is originally from Miami, Florida and has been heavily involved in the Dance and Cheer industry for over 20 years. Alongside her All Star and High School dance companies, she achieved countless national team and solo titles. Christian continued to become a coach and choreographer for many area schools and around the country. She also served as an American Dance Alliance staff member and later entered the Judging circuit. In 2007 Christian relocated to Atlanta, Georgia and became a company director for Powerhouse Dance Productions. Christian now resides in Chattanooga, TN, where she was the owner/creative director of First Step Dance Studio for four years. Christian dedicates her weekends to judging countless National and World Bid events worldwide and has been judging The Dance Worlds in Orlando, FL, since 2015. Christian also teaches and develops multilingual educational dance courses for the International Cheer Union at various locations worldwide.



### Kathryn Brasfield

Kathryn is a Knoxville, TN native and has been heavily involved in the dance industry for more than 20 years. A graduate of Middle Tennessee State University, she was a member and captain of the University's dance team and earned a degree in Health and Human Performance. She worked as a UDA staff member from

2007 to 2015, instructing dancers and leading camps all across the US. Kathryn is currently the assistant coach for the dance team at Bearden High School, her alma mater, and has helped lead the team to multiple state championships, national finalist placements, and 6 UDA National Championship titles including the 2022 Large Gameday National Championship. In addition to coaching, she choreographs and consults for various school and All Star programs. Her work has earned multiple choreography awards and has helped teams achieve top-three finishes at the regional, state and national levels, including three national championships in 2021. Kathryn enjoys serving as a USASF Legality official for multiple Varsity Brands events.



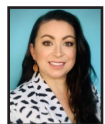
**Gregory Collins**

Greg has been a part of the cheer industry for over 30 years as an athlete, coach and judge. He is currently certified as a USASF Cheer and Dance official and serves as the Maryland Public Schools State Cheer rules interpreter for NFHS. He judges both nationally and internationally and is excited to be returning to the Dance Worlds for 2022.



**Kaya Doyle**

Kaya received her B.A. in Performing Arts from Northern Illinois University and her Master in Architecture from the University of Illinois-Chicago and has been blending the skills of both degrees ever since. Most seasons provide thirty or more judging events all over the country and internationally, either as a panel judge or a Dance Legality Official. International judging events include locations such as Japan, Scotland, England, and multiple provinces of Canada, each bringing their own unique cultural experience. As an Adjudicator, Kaya recognizes that every year brings new movement patterns and skill integration trends and provides continual development of spatial utilization. Kaya has enjoyed the honor of being a part of the Dance WORLDS adjudication team from 2011 through 2021 and served as an ambassador at the 2014 Dance Worlds. During the week, you will find Kaya working as the sole proprietor of her Architectural firm or serving the community as a volunteer Emergency Medical Responder.



**Laura Harris**

Laura resides in Staffordshire in the UK and is a dual Australian/British citizen. She began her classical dance training aged 4, which led to professional qualifications with the IDTA and a 22-year ongoing coaching career. As an athlete, Laura performed at the Dance Worlds in 2013, later returning to the competition as team coach in 2019. As an elite team coach in Australia, her work earned multiple international bids, and she has featured in several TV productions based around dance and cheerleading. She now specializes in dance technique instruction and owns a workshop company in the UK, alongside working as a high school Science specialist educator. Laura began judging in 2009 and has since completed 10+ full seasons of professional judging for event providers located across Australia, the UK and France. Her judging experience incorporates regional, national, state and international championship events, including IASF Worlds-bid events in several countries. Her judging experience covers all dance genres, and she has experience in all dance panel roles, specializing in legalities.



**Nichole Hudson**

Nichole is a former competitive studio dancer and cheerleader, starting her dance training at three years old. For eleven years, she has been a certified USASF Cheer and Dance Legality Official and Deductions Judge. This has allowed her to work for numerous event producers nationally and internationally. She has had the privilege of judging several prestigious events such as NCA/NDA All Star Nationals, NDA College Nationals, NDA High School Nationals, The Summit, The D2 Summit. She has served as a legality official at The Dance Worlds since 2016.



**Melissa Kidd**

Melissa has four decades of training in all genres of dance and over 20 years of instruction/choreography experience in approximately 30 studios/schools across the country. Melissa's background includes training under the Cincinnati Ballet and with New York City Ballet and Boston Ballet members. She also owns a fine arts facility in Cincinnati, Ohio and holds multiple certifications in choreography, technique, judging and early childhood dance

education. Dancers who have trained under Ms. Kidd have danced on cruise lines, Broadway productions, NBA dance teams, NFL Cheerleading, Universities, Hallmark movie productions, music videos, and many more professional positions in the dance industry. Melissa enjoys splitting her time between working with her students and traveling to judge competitions and teach master classes. Melissa judges for the All Star dance circuit and the studio dance circuit, where she has served as a judging coordinator/trainer. Miss Kidd's most recent endeavor has included obtaining Pilates (reformer) certifications and anatomy and strength training for dancers.



**Robin Page**

Robin has been judging cheer and dance for over 25 years. She is a certified USASF Cheer and Dance Legality Official and holds certifications with USA Cheer/NFHS Safety. She has judged for various cheer companies, including Cheer & Dance Extreme, The National Cheerleaders Association, Cheersport, Elite Cheerleading, The World Cheerleading Coalition (ICC LTD), GMCE, The American Championships and British Cheerleading Association. In 2017, Robin was inducted into the Oakland Mills High School Hall of Fame for her 25 years of coaching and dedication to the sport. In addition to judging cheer and dance, she also spends her time judging talent competitions and pageants nationally. She is currently a choreographer for the Miss American Coed pageant system. Robin is also a professional Sign Language Interpreter with the Howard County Public School System in Maryland.



**April Pence**

April has been dancing for over 20 years, studying the styles of ballet, jazz, lyrical, contemporary/modern and hip-hop. She has worked with choreographers such as Tony Gonzalez, John Peters, Monie Adamson and Dee Caspary. April has worked for the United Spirit Association for fourteen years as a Song Head Instructor and Judge. During this time, she has traveled throughout California, Utah and Arizona, teaching dancers of all levels and judging Junior High, High School and College competitions. April has been USASF Dance Safety Certified for the past ten years and is honored to be back at Dance Worlds this year!



**Sonia Ramirez**

Sonia is a professional announcer, panel judge, legality official and event director. As a former Head Instructor and member of the Program Development team for the United Spirit Association (USA), Sonia has been involved with competitive cheerleading and dance for over 15 years. Contributions of her choreography have been featured in halftime shows ranging from UCLA football to the Boston Celtics. Sonia has judged and directed competitions at all levels, both nationally and internationally, including the Japan Open, ONP Nationals in Mexico City, and the Dance Worlds from 2012-2022. She has also represented the International Cheer Union (ICU) as a Rules educator and has led international training for coaches, panel judges and Legality Officials in Japan, Mexico and Panama.

**QUALITY CONTROL**



**Shannon Gregg**

Shannon has over two decades of cheer and dance experience as a competitor, coach and judge and has also been a contributing author to "Cheer Biz News." Shannon owned an All Star dance and cheer gym and has been judging for 15 years, including international appearances in Mexico and England. Shannon's dance experience includes studio and competitive dance through the collegiate level. She was a feature dancer in Kelly-award-winning musicals "Lil Abner" and "Peter Pan," had an internship with the Pittsburgh Dance Alloy, and went on to study with the Lake Erie Ballet. As a member of the University of Pittsburgh Dance Ensemble, Shannon studied modern dance. She was a finalist at the first-ever USASF Dance Worlds, competing multiple years and judging hip hop and quality in 2015-2021. Shannon holds a BA in English Literature with minors in History and Dance from the University of Pittsburgh, an MBA in Management and a Ph.D. in Community Engagement from Point Park University.



**Lindsay Headrick**

Lindsay is from St. Louis, MO, where she grew up focusing on ballet, studying with the Missouri State Ballet and the Canadian Ballet of Montreal. Lindsay earned a BA in Dance at Lindenwood University and was a four-year member of the National Champion Lion Line Dance Team. During her time on the team, she began working for UDA, with whom she has become a fifteen-year veteran staff member and has been named Veteran Instructor of the Year. Lindsay has been a part of judging panels on the regional, national, and international levels for over five years. She works with many teams throughout the Midwest, and her choreography and consulting have helped teams earn top National rankings.



**Vanessa Jungbluth-Fullmer**

Vanessa currently lives in Chicago, IL, and is originally from northeast Ohio, where she studied dance under Denise Gula at Ohio Dance Theatre. As an apprentice with ODT, she performed in numerous classical and original works. While in college at Ashland University, she was an Eagle Elite dance team member. After college, she furthered her studies at the Dayton Ballet and the Lou Conte Dance Studio in Chicago and master classes while living in New York City. Professionally, Vanessa was on the faculty of Ohio Dance Theatre. She was the dance director for multiple competitive programs, coaching and choreographing numerous national champion teams. She has also worked in dance event production as touring manager for New York City Dance Alliance and Onstage New York. Passionate about the future of performing arts, Vanessa served on the Board of Ohio Dance Theatre for eight years.



**Allison Markus**

Allison lives and teaches in St. Louis, Missouri. Since the age of three, she has had a passion for dance. Allison attended Missouri State University, where she was a four-year member of their dance team. She joined Universal Dance Association as a staff member after graduation and, for the past ten years, has had the privilege to work, teach and choreograph for teams all over the country through UDA. Allison is an Assistant Director at a local dance studio, Charmette Academy of Dance and is the head coach of Marquette High School's varsity dance team.



**Tara Noyes**

Tara is a dance and cheer judge with eight years of adjudication experience and over 20 years in various roles throughout the industry. She has judged The Dance Worlds, Dance Summit, NCA All-Star Nationals, The Summit and D2 Summit, Groove Dance Nationals, and several grand national, national, and virtual championship competitions across the country, including JamFest Europe. Tara loves connecting with teams performing during these post-pandemic times by educating and rewarding their hard work and dedication. She is grateful for the energy and effort put on the floor by all the dancers and coaches this season and wishes everyone a great event experience!

