

## 2010 WACPC Dance Judges

### **Lindsay Becker (#1)**

Lindsay was a member of award winning middle school and high school dance teams. She has worked as a staff instructor and camp director for Badgerette Pom Pon Inc. and has coached an award winning high school team. Lindsay has judged numerous WACPC and local competitions. She is currently an Art Teacher at Slinger Elementary School.

### **Bailey Birtzer (#2)**

Bailey's 16 years of dance experience include four years on her high school team, and 12 years of studio training. While on her high school team, she received Miss Badgerette camp honors and was named a Badgerette All-Star for three years. Bailey has also taught at a local studio and for a local elementary dance program. She has also judged for WACPC and other area competitions. Bailey is currently a student at the University of Minnesota.

### **Sara Bohlmann (#3)**

Sara has over 13 years dance experience. She was a member of her high school dance team and danced in the Company program at Accent on Dance Studio. She was a two-year member of the UW-Milwaukee Panther Dance Team, performed at various fundraisers and the Bastille Days Cabaret Show, and was a member of the Milwaukee Wave Dance Team for two years. Sara judges WACPC and local area competitions. She is currently a freelance makeup artist for Too Faced Cosmetics and Esthetician and Makeup Artist at Urszula and Company.

### **Colleen Boltz (#4)**

Colleen has over 24 years of dance experience, including seven years of studio training and four years on her high school team. Her high school team was both a regional and state champion, won the UDA National Funk Title, and was an American Challenge National Champion. Colleen was a two-time UDA and UPA All Star. She has judged for WACPC for seven years, as well as many other competitions throughout the state. Colleen is currently the U.S. Bank Branch Manager at Kohl's Corporate Offices.

### **Bethany Broughton (#5)**

Bethany's 23 years of dance experience includes three years on her high school dance team and three years in Marquette University's Modern Dance Department. Her high school team received numerous awards, including regional and national titles. Bethany was named a UDA All-Star and was a UDA instructor. She has judged several WACPC events and is currently the conference event planner for a college ministry in Minneapolis.

### **Dawn Buss (#6)**

Dawn's 16 years of dance experience includes four years on her high school team, one year on a collegiate dance team, and 11 years as a WACPC judge. She has judged several competitions throughout the state including WACPC JAM and State events. Dawn was an instructor for Wisconsin Dance Camps for two years and is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh. She is currently a teacher in Appleton.

### **Shelly Cannistra (#7)**

Shelly has more than 20 years of dance experience, including four years on a championship high school team and as an instructor for a Southeastern Wisconsin dance studio. She has judged for numerous WACPC and Badgerette Pom Pon, Inc. events as well as many high school tryouts. Shelly is currently the digital content manager for Banshee Music.

**Anne Caskey (#8)**

Anne's thirty-two years of dance experience includes studio training, four years on an award-winning high school team, and 23 years as Camp Director, Choreographer, Instructor, and Director of Instruction for Badgerette Pom Pon, Inc. She is a certified judge for Badgerette, Michigan Dance Competitions and Illinois Drill Team Association and has judged numerous competitions throughout the Midwest during the past twenty years, as well as, instructed conducting workshops throughout the Midwest. Anne is currently the owner of an artistic painting and design company in Michigan.

**Cara Chase (#9)**

Cara has over 17 years dance experience, including studio training and as a member of championship junior high and high school dance teams. She was the captain of her high school team and coached a junior high team for one year. Cara attended UW-Stevens Point and Minnesota State University-Mankato. She has judged previous WACPC JAM and Regional competitions. Cara is currently a sales associate in Mankato, MN.

**Christine Cody (#10)**

Christine has over 22 years of dance experience including studio training, four years on an award-winning high school team, and four years at UW-Eau Claire. She coached a state and national champion high school team for eight years. Christine has judged numerous competitions throughout Wisconsin, and judged the Louisiana State Championships. She is currently an elementary school principal in SE Wisconsin.

**Elizabeth Crone (#11)**

Elizabeth has many years of dance experience, including training in Ballet, Jazz, Pointe, Pompons, High Kick, and Cheerleading. Elizabeth has performed with an award winning high school dance team. Elizabeth trained at the Green Bay School of Dance in Green Bay, WI and at Empire for the Arts in DePere, WI. In 2004 she took over the dance program at the Sun Prairie YMCA and expanded the program to include performances and several types of dance. She then opened Reach for the Stars Dance Company in January 2006, which now represents over 80+ families in Dane County. Elizabeth is WACPC certified, and has been judging since 2003.

**Brian Day (#12)**

Brian first became interested in dance as a child and as he grew older it became more of a hobby. In high school he was a member of and choreographer for the show choir. He was also the manager for a championship high school team in northwestern Wisconsin. Brian is currently attending the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire and has been a member of the Concert Dance Company for three years.

**Katie Driessen (#13)**

Katie has over 13 years dance experience as a member of a championship junior high and high school dance teams, as well as studio training. Katie is attending UW-Stevens Point, and currently works at Shopko.

**Megan Duster (#14)**

Megan has over 24 years dance experience as a member of her high school dance team, as a coach of a Madison area high school, and as a principal member with Jazzworks Dance Company. While in high school, Megan was named a UDA All-Star and performed in London's New Year's Day parade. She has judged various competitions, tryouts and dance studio auditions as well as Badgerette and WACPC events. Megan is currently a Research Microbiologist for the University of Wisconsin-Madison Department of Medicine Section of Infectious Diseases.

**Leah Edquist (#15)**

Leah's 20 years of dance experience includes 18 years of studio training, six years with the Midwest Connection Dance Company, and one year of high school poms. She has taught at various dance studios in southeastern Wisconsin for more than five years. Leah has judged JAM and Southern Regionals as well as various competitions throughout the Midwest. She is currently a freelance graphic designer.

**Mari Fedie (#16)**

Mari has over 30 years dance and cheerleading experience. She has worked as a dance instructor at studios in Hartland and Sussex and coached a championship junior high dance team for six years. Mari is currently an aesthetician and owner of Essential Skin Care.

**Jayne Feldhausen (#17)**

Jayne has over 15 years dance experience. She coached a successful high school dance team to numerous Regional Championships and four consecutive State Championships. Jayne has judged many local competitions and WACPC competitions for four years. She is a retired English teacher in the Green Bay area.

**Jessi Fowler (#18)**

Jessi's 10 years of dance experience includes several years of studio training, and experience in theatrical performance. She has been coaching a junior high program for three years, and her team was named Grand Champions in the Junior High/Middle School division at UPA Nationals in 2009. Jessi graduated from UW-Stevens Point and is currently a Receptionist for a central Wisconsin school district.

**Carol Goeden (#19)**

Carol has over 27 years of dance experience including 23 years as head coach for a Wisconsin high school dance program and was a member of the UW-LaCrosse Dance Team. Carol has judged for several organizations including WACPC, the Watertown Spirit Invite, the Indian Invite, and the Louisiana State Championships. She is currently a retired Phy Ed teacher in SE Wisconsin.

**Ashley Grahl (#20)**

Ashley's 11 years of dance experience includes four years on her high school team, three years as captain of her high school team, and several years of studio training. She has choreographed for local elementary, middle school, and high school teams, and coached a middle school dance program. Ashley is currently a nursing student at Marian University.

**Katie Hanrahan (#21)**

Katie has over 12 years dance experience. She was a four year member, and two-year captain of a state champion high school dance team as well as a four year member, and captain/choreographer of the UW-Green Bay Dance Team. She has choreographed numerous award winning routines and has received numerous personal awards. Katie has judged numerous competitions and tryouts throughout the Midwest.

**Emily Helmer (#22)**

Emily's 17 years of dance experience includes four years on a championship high school team, several years of intense studio training, and three years as a member of the UW-Eau Claire Dance Team. Her high school team won several titles, including many WACPC state titles. In addition, her collegiate team placed 4<sup>th</sup> at the UDA National Collegiate Dance Championships. Emily is currently a student at UW-Eau Claire and teaches at a local dance studio.

**Stephanie Hogden (#23)**

Stephanie has 19 years of dance experience, including four years on her high school team, and two years on the UW-Stevens Point Dance Team. She has taught for local dance studios, Starstruck Dance Camps, and is the co-founder of Competitors Edge Dance Camps. She has judged for WACPC for two years and is currently a preschool instructor and competitive team coach for Carousel Gymnastics in Central Wisconsin.

**Michelle Hook (#24)**

Michelle's 23 years of dance experience include 12 years of studio training and four years on her high school team. She has choreographed for Wisconsin and Minnesota dance teams and coached a northwestern Wisconsin team for three years. Michelle has not only been a WACPC for eight years, but also judges several other competitions throughout the state. She is currently a WACPC district one representative and an editor and technical writer for UnitedHealth Group in Eau Claire.

**Emily Hotchkiss (#25)**

Emily has over 18 years dance experience. She studied dance at the Central Wisconsin School of Ballet and was a member of her high school dance team. She has been coaching a northwestern Wisconsin high school dance team for three years, and is a member of the UW-Eau Claire Concert Dance Company. Emily has judged local dance competitions. She is currently attending UW-Eau Claire majoring in Nursing with a Dance Minor.

**Kory Johnson-Poeschel (#26)**

Kory has over 30 years dance experience as a member of her high school and UW-Stout dance teams and as a coach of Middle School and High School dance teams. She has judged local competitions and tryouts as well as WACPC events. Kory is currently a middle school Special Education teacher in the Baraboo School District.

**Ashley Johnston (#27)**

Ashley has over 17 years dance experience. She was a four-year member, two-year captain of her high school dance team, one-year member of the UW-Oshkosh Dance Team, and two-year member of Green Bay Blizzard Dance Team. She has worked as a studio instructor in Appleton. Ashley received her Bachelor of Arts in Radio/TV/Film and Theatre from UW-Oshkosh. She is currently a high school dance team coach.

**Kristin Jones (#28)**

Kristin's 20 years of dance experience include nine years of studio training, four years on her high school team, and one year at the Minnesota Timberwolves Master Dance Classes. While on her high school team, Kristin was named a UDA All-Star and was a member of the WACPC All State team. She has judged several competitions throughout the state since 2002 and has judged for WACPC since 2005. Kristin graduated from the University of Minnesota and is current a Chiropractic student at Northwestern Health Sciences University.

**Krista Kadrlik (#29)**

Krista has 20 years of dance experience, including studio training, participation in her Minnesota high school's dance department and on her high school's dance team, and was a member of the UW-River Falls Dance Team. Krista has choreographed for local studios and high school teams. She is a UPA certified judge and has judged both in Wisconsin and Minnesota. She is a recent graduate of UW-River Falls with a degree in Education and a minor in dance education.

**Lori Keiser (#30)**

Lori has over 24 years dance experience. She was a four-year member of her high school team, and coached elementary and high school dance programs. Lori has judged many WACPC Regional and State competitions as well as local dance competitions. She attended the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh majoring in Biology and minoring in Chemistry. Lori is currently a science teacher at Beaver Dam High School.

**Sarah Konop (#31)**

Sarah's 13 years of dance experience include several years of intensive studio training, two years on her junior high dance team, four years on her high school dance team, and two years on the UW-Oshkosh dance team. While on her high school team, Sarah was named a Badgerette Danz Star, All-Star, and was a Miss Badgerette semi-finalist. She has been judging for WACPC since 2006, and judges for many other competitions throughout the state. Sarah is currently a portfolio manager for Associated Bank.

**Theresa Kubalak (#32)**

Theresa has over 18 years dance experience as a performer with her state champion high school dance team, Green Bay Bombers, Green Bay Blast and Green Bay Blizzard, coach of multiple Green Bay area teams, instructor for camps such as UDA, Just for Kix and NDA and as a choreographer. She has received numerous awards including Best Hip Hop Choreography (Thunderstruck) and Most Entertaining (Federation of Dance Coaches). She has a Bachelor of Science degrees in Psychology and Human Development and Masters of Science degrees in Educational Psychology, School Counseling and Community Counseling. Theresa is the Co-Owner and Director of Power of Dance All-Star Studio.

**Krista Lass (#33)**

Krista has 11 years dance experience as a member of a championship junior high and high school dance team, as well as studio training. She has worked as a studio instructor at Forthcoming Dance Studio. Krista currently works at Subway and is a student at MTSC.

**Katie Moomaw (#34)**

Katie's 10 years of dance experience include two years on her junior high team, three years on her high school team, and one year as a member of the Carmel Cougarettes Dance Team in Indiana. She coached a national championship dance team for two years. Katie's is currently a student at UW-Stevens Point, majoring in Communications and minoring in Business.

**Kristen Odegaard (#35)**

Kristen has over 20 years of dance experience, including seven years in Illinois competitive cheerleading, and as a member of the UW-LaCrosse Dance Team. She was an instructor for NCA, and has coached several teams in western Wisconsin. Kristen was a board member for WACPC, a WACPC All State judge and coordinator for many years, and has judged for numerous competitions throughout Wisconsin. She is currently the UniServ Director for Coulee Region United Educators /Wisconsin Education Association Council (WEAC).

**Ally Parente (#36)**

Ally has over 17 years dance experience including studio training and performing on her high school dance team. Ally has coached and choreographed award winning routines for elementary, middle school and high school dance teams, and currently coaches a high school team. Ally is currently a manager at a Milwaukee area restaurant.

**Emily Pearse (#37)**

Emily has over 22 years dance experience as a member of her high school and collegiate dance teams, studio training and performing in various theatrical productions. She is the coach of a LaCrosse area high school team and was the recipient of the UDA Summer Camp Coach Leadership Award. She received her Bachelor's in Theater and Communications and is currently working on her Masters Degree in Education. Emily is currently a full time student and studio instructor.

**Elizabeth Powers (#38)**

Elizabeth's 21+ years of dance experience includes extensive studio training, four years and a captain of her high school dance team, and two years on the UW-Stevens Point Dance Team. She coached a state and national champion dance team for nine years and received numerous honors including UPA's National Coaching Hall of Fame and UPA's National Dance Coach of the Year. Elizabeth has judged several area and state competitions and tryouts, and teaches private technique camps for local high school dance teams. She is currently owner and director of a Green Bay area All Star Studio.

**Kim Pribyl (#39)**

Kim has danced competitively on her high school dance team, as a member of the Green Bay Blizzard Dance Team, on an All-Star team and has trained in a studio. She has judged local competitions as well as WACPC JAM and Regionals. Kim received her Bachelor of Arts degree from UW-Green Bay. She is currently a manager for Stock's Harley Davidson/Buell and recently graduated from the NWTC Police Academy.

**Kristi Rabska (#40)**

Kristi's 14+ years of dance experience includes four years on her high school team, two years on the UW-Stout She-Devils, and two years at the PEC Studios in St. Louis. She was named a UDA and Badgerette All Star while in high school, coached a Wisconsin JV dance team, and has been judging for WACPC for nine years. Kristi is currently a senior account executive for Saatchi & Saatchi Advertising in Chicago.

**Amy Sacia (#41)**

Amy has 15 years of dance experience including being a member of her high school team. She has worked as an instructor for Just for Kix, and coached a high school dance team for four years, a high school cheer team for one year, and a middle school dance team for one year. Amy has been a WACPC judge since 2005 and has judged for many other local competitions. She is currently a special education teacher at Melrose-Mindoro Junior High School.

**Amanda Schabowski (#42)**

Amanda's 20 years of dance experience includes four years on her high school dance team, 15 years of studio training, six years of studio dance instruction, and four years of choreographing and coaching high school dance. She was an assistant coach for her high school's dance team after graduation, and has also coached and choreographed for a state champion dance program in southeastern Wisconsin. Amanda currently works at a local fitness center and continues to choreograph for local teams.

**Jessica Schneble (#43)**

Jessica has 18 years of dance experience including four years on her high school team and one year on the UW-Whitewater Dance Team. While in high school, she was named a Badgerette All-Star. Jessica has coached for a local high school team and has judged several local and WACPC championships.

**Emily Steltenpohl (#44)**

Emily has over 18 years of dance experience and over 9 years of teaching under her belt. Emily has been to many dance conventions, workshops and competitions over the years including, Americup Nationals, American College Dance Festival, Central Wisconsin School of Ballet, Pacific Coast Dance Intensive, Kathy Roe Dance Intensive, Show Stopper Convention, Jan Dean School of Ballet, Class with Marius Andahazy, Pro Bowl Dancer, Member and officer of UWRF Dance Theatre, and is UPA Official/ Judge Certified, WACPC Judge Certified, and MSHSL Judge Certified. Emily has a Bachelors of Sciences in Health and Human Performance-Exercise Sports and Science and a Minor in Dance Education.

**Jayme Tobalsky (#45)**

Jayme's 19 years of dance experience includes studio training and participation on her high school's dance team. While on her high school team, Jayme was a team captain and named an All American. She has been a judge for WACPC since 2006, and is a graduate of UW-Eau Claire with a degree in Elementary Education. Jayme is currently an elementary substitute teacher.

**Josie Unseth (#46)**

Josie has over 25 years of dance experience, including four years on her high school team, and as a member of the Western Oregon University Dance Team. She has been an instructor for the United Spirit Association for 12 years, and choreographed for high school dance teams throughout the country. Josie trained at The Edge studio and Debbie Reynolds Studio in Los Angeles, was part of the production staff for the halftime performance at the NFL Pro Bowl in 2004, and recently took a master dance class with choreographers like Mia Michaels, Wade Robson, and Chris Judd. She is currently a level 1 yoga teacher and will be opening a studio in Texas in May, 2010.

**Kristin VanDenBroeke (#47)**

Kristin has over 19 years dance experience including studio training and performance, as a member of her high school dance team, and as a youth dance coach and studio instructor. As a member of her high school dance team, Kristin received WACPC Honorable Mention All State recognition and was a 2 year UDA All-Star. She is currently a student at UW-Eau Claire and a studio instructor.

**Tammy Vann (#48)**

Tammy's 18 years of dance experience includes three years on her high school dance team, three years as a member of the UW-Stevens Point Dance Team, and two years as a member of the Green Bay Blizzard Arena Football Dance Team. She has been a judge for WACPC since 2000, and has judged for many other competitions throughout the state. Tammy is currently an elementary school teacher in the Green Bay area and has been married for six years.

**Tara Verdon (#49)**

Tara has over 15 years of dance experience including three years on her high school dance team, and two years dancing for the Enavant School of Dance during college. While on her high school team, Tara was named a UDA All Star, was team captain, and received All Conference dance honors. She was a Just For Kix Dance Program instructor for seven years, and choreographed a local dance team for seven years. Tara has been judging for WACPC since 2006 and judges many other events throughout the state. She is currently the safety coordinator for the Red Cedar Medical Center in Menomonie, Wisconsin.

**Trisha Verhasselt-Seldon (#50)**

Trisha's 25 years of dance experience includes 12 years of studio training and four years on her high school dance team. While on her high school team, Trisha was named an NCA All-American, a UDA-All Star, and was the recipient of the Heather Habeck Award. She has judged many competitions throughout Wisconsin and has been a WACPC judge for 11 years. Trisha is currently the Legal Personnel Coordinator at Faegre & Benson Law Firm in Minneapolis, MN.

**Laurie Weinert (#51)**

Laurie has over 15 years of dance experience including studio training, performing on her high school dance team and two years as a member of the University of Wisconsin Concert Dance Company. This is her second year coaching and choreographing. Laurie is currently a student at UW-Eau Claire.

**Kira Wuellner (#52)**

Kira has over 23 years dance experience including four years as a member of a championship high school dance team, two years with the Milwaukee Venom Dance Team and is currently a member of the Milwaukee Iron Dance Team. Kira has judged many WACPC Regional and State competitions as well as local dance competitions. She received her Bachelor's of Science Education Degree from UW-Eau Claire. She is currently a special education teacher in Glendale, WI and working on her Master's in Psychology.

**Emily Zimmerman (#53)**

Emily has over 10 years dance experience. She was a member of her high school team. Emily has choreographed and coached for a local high school dance team. She attended UW-Milwaukee and graduated with a B.A. in Human Resource Management. Emily is currently a receptionist at Wells Fargo Advisors.