

BUTCH THEISEN (TYSON) BIO

BUTCH HAS BEEN A MEMBER OF DANCE MASTERS OF AMERICA, INC. SINCE 1977

HE HAS TAUGHT EVERY GENRE OF DANCE AND BEGAN TEACHING AT THE AGE OF 15 FOR PAST NATIONAL PRESIDENT JOAN WINE.

BUTCH OWNED HIS OWN STUDIO FOR OVER 25 YEARS AND WAS ASSOCIATE TEACHER FOR THE LATE MARJORIE SELLERS FOR 42. AFTER HER DEATH IN 2012 HE CLOSED HIS STUDIO TO CONTINUE MARJORIE'S LEGACY IN ZANESVILLE OHIO. THE STUDIO RECENTLY CELEBRATED ITS 85TH ANNIVERSARY AS WELL AS BUTCH'S 50TH YEAR OF TEACHING. BUTCH IS CURRENTLY ADJUNCT FACULTY FOR MUSKINGUM UNIVERSITY IN THE MUSICAL THEATRE DEPARTMENT.

AS WELL AS BEING A PAST PRESIDENT OF OHIO DANCE MASTERS, CHAPTER 16, HE HAS SERVED ON THE NATIONAL BOARD AS AN AREA VICE-PRESIDENT, DIRECTOR OF THE MASTER DANCE SCHOLARSHIP COMPETITION, DIRECTOR, DELEGATE AND MANY OTHER OFFICES. BUTCH IS CURRENTLY SERVING AS TREASURER OF OHIO DANCE MASTERS CHAPTER #16.

BUTCH WAS THE RECIPIENT OF THE DMA MEMBER OF THE YEAR AWARD 2002 AND OHIO DANCE MASTERS MEMBER OF THE YEAR 2013

HE HAS JUDGED ON THE STATE AND NATIONAL LEVEL FOR DMA, DEA, OHIO AND ALABAMA'S JUNIOR MISS PAGEANTS, ENCORE TALENT COMPETITIONS, AND MANY STATE PRELIMINARIES FOR THE MISS AMERICA PAGEANT SYSTEM.

BUTCH HAS BEEN CHOREOGRAPHER FOR THE MISS OHIO PAGEANT AND MANY LOCAL MUSICALS, SPECIALS, VARIETY SHOWS AND PAGEANTS. MANY OF HIS STUDENTS ARE NOW IN PROFESSIONAL DANCE VENUES AND DANCE RELATED CAREERS.

BUTCH HAS EXTENSIVE STUDY UNDER OUTSTANDING TAP INSTRUCTORS SUCH AS: JACK STANLY, CHARLES HUGHES, JUDY ANN BASSING, RONN DANIELS, AND CHARLES GODDERTZ JUST TO NAME A FEW, AND IS EXTREMELY EXCITED TO BE ON THE TAP FACULTY OF DMA'S TEACHERS TRAINING SCHOOL PROGRAM IN BUFFALO, NEW YORK AT THE STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK (SUNY).

THE HIGHEST ACCOLADE BUTCH HAS EVER RECEIVED IS SERVING DANCE MASTERS OF AMERICA AND ITS MEMBERSHIP AS THE NATIONAL PRESIDENT FROM 2008-2010.