

DENSIL H. ADAMS

Mr. Adams has been an Artistic Director and Ballet Master for the past 39 years and has earned an enviable reputation as an educator, adjudicator and choreographer. He began his tenure with Dance Masters of America as an instructor of Ballet and Modern, and is currently on the faculty for multiple DMA chapters, the National Faculty, the Student Honors Intensive Program and the Ballet and Jazz Intensives. In addition, he is on the national roster for Adjudicators for Regional Dance America and the Adjudication Panel for Synergy Performing Arts.

Mr. Adams was the Co-Owner and Artistic Director of Preston Center Dance in Dallas, Tx. from 1990-2020.

Mr. Adams began his early training attending the South East Regional Dance America Festivals where he received many scholarships and accolades. He attended Birmingham Southern College on a full scholarship and was a principal member of the Birmingham Ballet. In 1976 he moved to New York City to continue his formal training at the Joffrey Ballet under Robert Joffrey and Gerald Arpino, and had the privilege of spending the summer of 1979 at Jacobs Pillow culminating with an apprenticeship with the American Ballet Theatre. In 1980 he relocated to Dallas to accept a principal contract from George Skibine with the Dallas Ballet. With a strong interest in Modern, he became an Artistic Director and Performing Artist with Dancers Unlimited Repertory Company of Dallas. Mr. Adams was a member of Actors Equity and contracted several National Broadway tours along with concerts at the Brooklyn Academy of Music.

As a choreographer, Mr. Adams continues to produce choreography for the concert stage, regional Dance America Ballet Festivals, fashion shows and national commercials. Since 1990 Mr. Adams has produced full length productions for The Crystal Charity Ball, The Junior League Ball, The Dallas Opera Ball, The National Kidney Foundation, DIFFA Dallas and The Art Ball for The Dallas Museum of Art. He has choreographed numerous Industrial shows and has worked as a Ballet coach/ choreographer for the USA Ice Dancing teams. Mr. Adams has produced seven Ballet recordings for the classroom and an instructional video for partnering. Many of his former students are now performing on Broadway and in premier dance companies throughout the world.

Mr. Adams was honored as the recipient of the 2015 Dance Masters of America Presidents Award.