# Osagie D. Ehigie

Osagie D. Ehigie is an American performer born and raised in Austin, TX. After graduating with honors to receive a BFA in Dance Performance from Oklahoma City University's Ann Lacy School of America Dance & Arts Management, Osagie successfully established two professional careers as both a performer/choreographer and an arts educator. As a performer, Osagie has worked on stage, film, and in nationally televised events with stars such as Kristin Chenoweth, The Killers, Lady Gaga, Janet Jackson, Tony Award winners Kelli O'Hara and Chet Walker, Emmy Award winner Kenny Ortega, and former Miss America Susan Powell to name a few. After successfully working in Las Vegas and LA for many years, Osagie relocated to Myrtle Beach, SC and has successfully established the first and only Dance Education Dept. within the Horry County School District, as well as serve as Artistic Director for a local studio. His key business strengths are educational marketing & fundraising, and to date has raised over $2.4M through strategic sponsorship and grant writing efforts. Osagie currently serves as a board member of the South Carolina Dance Association, and is a recurring judge to several national Dance Competition companies. Some of the events that Osagie looks forward to the most throughout the calendar years is when he has the opportunity to work with the amazing students and staff in the Dance Masters of America system! The energy and levels of talent are just unbeatable! Osagie is probably most proud of having designed and written an academic curriculum specifically for dance education that concentrates on the personal and professional skills needed for late-start and male students to begin working towards a career in today's entertainment industry. Osagie is very happy to serve as a national arts educator and choreographer and continues to thrive on the magic of entertainment. His dream is to continue to be a positive contributor and advocate of the performing arts; one of America's greatest traditions!