

# Nancy Pluta, *Choreographer*

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*"I have the ability to communicate artistic ideas, to all different styles of artistry"*

## Choreography

- 2008            Fire Spinning Choreographer  
PSA Certified Choreography and Style Rating
- 2007-Present    Director and Choreographer, Coyotes Ice Ensemble, theater on ice  
international/national competition team
- 2007            Chorus Choreographer, "Sterren Dansen Op Het Ijs", live T.V.show for  
Holiday On Ice, Eyeworks, and S.B.S., Hilversum, Holland
- Director and choreographer for S.B.S. & Eyeworks, Private Industrial  
Broadcasting and Commercial show, Hilversum, Holland
- Skating Club of Phoenix Memorial Trophy awarded for highest  
choreography points for Intermediate Short Program, USFS
- 2006            Director and Choreographer of "Holiday On Ice, Under The Desert The  
Sky" National television broadcast, hosted by Nancy Kerrigan and  
starring Brian Orser
- Assistant Choreographer, Coyotes Ice Ensemble, theater on ice  
international/national competition team
- Artistic Award for Choreography, Juvenile Artistic Program, Orange  
County, CA, USFS
- 2005-Present    Choreographer, USFSA Freestyle programs
- 2005            Assistant Choreographer, "Snoopy Summer Vacation", Cedar Point,  
Sandusky, Ohio
- Cast Change-over Choreographer, Voyager of the Seas, Willy Bietak  
Productions
- 2004            Cast Change-over Choreographer, Voyager & Navigator of the Seas, Willy  
Bietak Productions

- 2003 Associate Choreographer, Disney On Ice, “Monsters Inc.” production and Choreographer of the television commercial
- 2002 Assistant Choreographer, “Ice Cold Terror”, Minnie Madden Productions, Busch Gardens Williamsburg, Va.
- 2001-2002 Stars On Ice Tour, “Winning Was Just The Beginning”, Assistant to Choreographers Sandra Bezic, Christopher Dean, Jane Torvill and Michael Siebert
- 2000 Choreographic assistant, Disney On Ice, “Jungle Adventures” for both domestic and European tours
- 1999 “Two Worlds”, Group Number, Hamilton, Canada  
 “Landslide” solo, Hamilton Canada  
 “Jet Plane” solo, Hamilton, Canada  
 “That’s the Way” solo, Hamilton, Canada
- 1998 “Lucky So and So” solo, Chicago, IL.  
 “Skating Moods”, Director and Choreography, Myrtle Beach, S.C.

### **Work History**

- 2005 Woodstock Ice Productions “ Snoopy Summer Vacation” Assistant Choreographer, Principal and Company Manager
- 2004-Present AllTel Ice Den, Scottsdale, AZ.
- 2004 Karen Kresge, “Snoopy Rocks On Ice”, Principal and Company Manager
- 2003-2004 Royal Caribbean, Bietak Productions, “Navigator of the Seas”, Principal and Ice Captain, Installer of Explorer of the Seas Learn to Skate Program
- 2002-2003 Royal Caribbean, Bietak Productions, “Voyager of the Seas”, Principal and Ice Captain
- 2002 Karen Kresge, “Snoopy Rocks On Ice”, Principal and Company Manager
- 2001-2002 Stars On Ice Tour, “Gold, Winning Was Just The Beginning”, Performance Director
- 2001 “It’s All About Christmas, Snoopy!”, Principal soloist , Santa Rosa, CA.  
 Minnie Madden Productions, “Chateau Dracula”, Busch Gardens, Williamsburg, VA.

- “Snoopy’s Fabulous 50th”, Principal, Knott’s Barry Farm
- Steve Wheeler, “Magic On Ice”, Malaysia
- 2000 Disney On Ice, “Jungle Adventures”, Traveling Choreographic Assistant and Line Captain, European Tour
- 2000-1998 Feld Entertainment, “Grease On Ice”, Principal and Line Captain
- 1998 Minnie Madden Productions, “Freedom Song”, Busch Gardens, Williamsburg, VA.
- 1997 Karen Kresge, “Cool Christmas”, Santa Rosa, CA.  
Karen Kresge, “Sweetheart Ball”, Principal, Santa Rosa, CA.  
“Next Ice Age”, American Dance Festival, Duke University
- 1996 Ice Capades, “Cinderella” Tour, Principal and Performance Director  
“Next Ice Age”, Kennedy Center, Principal  
Bietak Productions, “Paramount On Ice”, Kings Dominion, Richmond, Va.
- 1995 Dorothy Hamill’s Ice Capades, “Hansel and Gretel” Tour, Understudy and Line Captain
- Dorothy Hamill’s Ice Capades, “Cinderella”, Branson, MO.
- 1994-1993 Dorothy Hamill’s Ice Capades, “Cinderella” Tour, Understudy
- 1992 Ice Capades, “Made In America” Tour, Understudy
- 1991 Ice Capades, “50th Anniversary” Tour

### **Skating Qualifications**

- USFSA Gold Medalist in Figures and Freestyle  
USFSA Pre-silver Medalist in Dance
- 2008 Non-qualifying IJS Singles Technical Specialist
- 2005 Professional Figure Skaters Cooperative, Board of Directors
- 1985 2nd Juvenile, Regionals
- 1978-1989 Competed in various USFSA competitions

## **Television and Commercials**

- 2006 Director and Choreographer, “ Holiday On Ice, Under The Desert Sky”, national television broadcast and DVD video
- 2003 Choreography for Disney On Ice “Monsters Inc.” commercial
- 2002 “Snoopy Rocks On Ice”, Commercial and Promotional Pictures
- 2001 Prime Time N.B.C. Television Special, Stars On Ice “Gold, Winning Was Just The Beginning”, credited Performance Director
- 2001 “Snoopy’s Fabulous 50th” Commercial
- 1998 “Grease On Ice” Commercial, Feld Entertainment
- 1997 T.B.S. Pro Series Commercial
- 1995 Ice Capades, “Cinderella” Television Special
- 1985 Great American Savings Commercial

## **Pro Competitions**

- 1998 American Open Ladies Competitor
- 1993 Dorothy Hamill’s Open Invitational, 2nd place

## **Teaching Experience**

- 2004-Present AllTel Ice Den, Scottsdale, AZ. Specialty Edge Classes, Choreography for USFS Freestyle programs, USFS Learn to Skate Classes
- 2003 Installer of the Explorer of the Seas Learn to Skate Program on the Navigator of the Seas, adult and children lessons
- 1995 Teaching artistic edge class, Quad City Sports Center, private and I.S.I.A. lessons

## **Volunteer Work**

- 2006-Present Judge and Volunteer Coach, Arizona Special Olympics Figure Skating Competition and Clinic

## **Dance History**

- 2008-Present Poi and fire spinning- Renee Walker
- 1999 Pilates reformer training, Santa Rosa, Ca.
- 1996 Studied ballet under master, Richard Richards, Baltimore, MD.
- 1991 University of Wisconsin- Milwaukee, modern dance, Ed Burgess
- 1991 Haitian dance-Port-au Prince, Haiti, Petionville, Lynn Roussier Van Collins- jazz, hip-hop, William and Shirley Riley studio
- 1988- 1991 Milwaukee High School of the Arts, ballet, jazz, tap, modern, African Ko-Thi, theater productions
- 1989 Gus Giordano- jazz workshops
- 1988 Feldenkrais Method - Seattle, WA
- 1987-89 Dance Defined- Donna Hoppee- jazz, hip-hop
- 1985-1987 Ricky Harris- workshops- Chicago, IL.
- 1980- 1984 Donna Jeanne School of Dance-ballet, jazz, tap
- 1980-85 Doris von der Hoff- ballet-founding member of Milwaukee Ballet Company

## **References**

Byron Allen, Sandra Bezic, Christopher Dean, Michael Siebert, Jane Torvill, Dorothy Hamill, Richard Dwyer, Barry Lather, Kenneth Feld, Jerry Bilik, Liz Manley, Nancy Kerrigan, Scott Davis, Cindy Stuart, Jamie Isley, Tim Murphy, Nathan Birch, Minnie Madden, Brain Klavano, Karen Kresge, Judy Thomas, Billy Chapel, Peter Gordon, Josee Chouard, Julie Patterson, Patty Vincent, Phil Valentine, Mark Cockrell, Jill Schulz, Willy and Cathy Bietak, Sylvia Froescher, Chris Nolan, Barry Mendelson, Brian Orser, David Baden, Jayne Hamelink, Marc Forno