

## VAL MANCHIN

Val received her strong dance training at Pat Jackson's American Dance in San Luis Obispo. Val was a performer with the American Dance Company for 5 years. She also taught at the Pat Jackson's American Dance School. Val appeared on TV's Star Search when she was a young dancer. Val was with the Gilbert Reed Ballet Company and has appeared in Carmen, Firebird, A Christmas Carole and Peter and the Wolf. Val wanted to continue her intense training and received a year-long scholarship in Los Angeles at the Edge Performing Arts. She taught and assisted in Italy and Mexico City for choreographer Adam Parson. Val appeared in Jamie King's video, "She Moves – Breaking all the Rules". She teaches master classes and choreographs all over the country. She also teaches at TAPS- Theatre Arts Preparatory School in Las Vegas. In addition to choreographing she is also the Assistant Artistic Director for Moorpark Civic Ballet, who presents The Nutcracker every year. Val is also choreographer for Moorpark Civic's Children's Ballet "Peter and the Wolf." She also judges in the dance competition circuit. Val has achieved and received high technique, concept and choreography awards for her outstanding routines. Val is excited to have her own children genuinely love dance as much as she does and to share their journey with them. She is excited to share her knowledge of dance and the arts with her students and the dance community.