



# Natalie Jane (Reis) Zeller

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**Dance Instructor & Choreographer**  
**Salsa & Flamenco Competition and Examinations Adjudicator**

### Dance Styles:

Salsa, Cha cha, Bachata & Merengue & Flamenco  
Additional Technical knowledge: - Dancesport Latin, Argentinean Tango, Samba, Jazz Ballet  
Salsa music.

### Dance Companies:

- AusLatin Productions – May 2005 to present – Director, Instructor
- Latin Motion Dance Academy – Jan 2002 - May 2005 – Director, instructor, Performer, Co-Founder
- IncRUEDABLE Latin Motion – May 1999 to Jan 2002 - Director, instructor, Performer
- Sirocco Flamenco – Sept 1999 –Aug 2002 - Director, instructor, Performer
- La Campana – Sept 1997 –Dec 2001 – Regular Performer
- Two's Company Dance Workshop – Melbourne – 1993-1996 – Instructor, PA
- Melbourne Spanish Club, La Tasca, Pinchos, The Stage, The Bullring – 1990 – July 1997

### Responsibilities and Achievements:

Teaching up to 20 Classes per week  
Private lessons and couple coaching  
Preparation of teams for international competitions & congresses

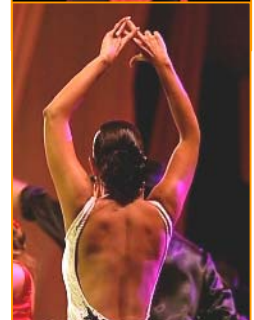
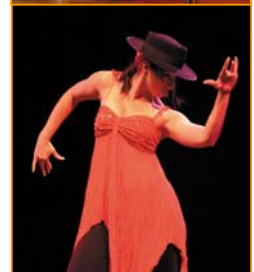
**Assistant Choreographer** to Antonio Vargas – **Mission impossible II** – 2000

**Flamenco Dancer/Artist** – **Mission Impossible II**

**Lead Dancer** - Latin American dance segment "Americas" featured in -  
The Opening Ceremonies of the **Sydney Olympic Games 2000**

### Feature Dancer/Instructor at:

- 2001 Darling Harbour Fiesta - Sydney
- 2002 West Coast International Salsa Congress – L.A
- 2002 Dominican Republic Salsa Congress - D.R
- 2002 4 weeks private study with Felipe Polanco dancers – Puerto Rico.
- 2002 Danceexpo – Sydney
- 2002 Darling Harbour Fiesta - Sydney
- 2003 Salsa by the Sea – Randwick Council - Sydney
- 2003 Zurich International Salsa Congress - Zurich
- 2003 Jambalaya Festival of Latin Music & Dance - New Zealand
- 2003 West Coast International Salsa Congress – L.A
- 2003 Paris International Salsa Congress - Paris
- 2003 Danceexpo – Sydney
- 2003 Sydney Latin Fiesta – Sydney
- 2003 Darling Harbour Fiesta - Sydney
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## Dance Training

1976-1984

**Afro-Caribbean Dance** - St Lucia, Barbados & Trinidad – West Indies

1986-1990

**Jazz Ballet & Contemporary dance** – The Dance Factory – Melbourne

1994-1996

**Latin American Dancesport** – Two's Company Dance Workshop - Melbourne

1990 – 2001

### Flamenco

Melbourne Instructors	Elena Meerman, Charito Saldana & Laura Uhe
Sydney Instructors	Antonio Vargas, Diana Reyes, Elena Vargas & Ana Otero
Madrid instructors	Ciro, Belen Fernandez, Belen Maya, Manolete, Timo, Maria Magdalena, Merche Esmeralda and Carmela Greco.
Sevilla Instructor	Jose Galvan

1993-2005

### Salsa/Mambo

Melbourne Instructor	Steve Octigan, social floor & self taught
Sydney Instructor	Oliver Pineda, social floor & self taught
International instructors	Felipe Polanco, Edie Torres, Frankie Martinez, Stracy Diaz, Tomas Guerrero, Nelson Flores, Seanon Bristol, Amanda Estilo, Candy Mena, Jai Catalano, Duplessy Walker, Edie 'The Salsa Freak', Ismael Otero, Leon Rose, SuperMario, Susana Montero, Milton Cobo...and several lesser known international artists.

Other Styles touched on - **Argentinean Tango** and **Swing** including basic rudimentary knowledge of techniques and theory.

## Performance Experience

### Flamenco

1993-1998	Melbourne	Tablao chorus dancer & soloist, at various festivals Events, theatrical productions and Spanish restaurants
1998-2001	Sydney & Interstate	Tablao Soloist at La Campana & various festivals and Corporate functions & theatrical productions.
2000		<b>Featured flamenco dancer, assistant choreographer and assistant trainer</b> to Antonio Vargas in <b>Mission Impossible II</b> . Additional work on this film included audio work (footwork) for the soundtrack by Hans Zimmer



**Salsa/Mambo**

1999

Sydney Founding team member & regular performer with "The Rueda Group"

2000

Sydney Founding team member & regular performer with 'IncRUEDABLE Latin Motion'

2001 - 2005

Sydney Co-founder, performer & senior Instructor with Latin Motion Dance Academy.



## Notable Appearances and Accomplishments

**Opening Ceremonies of the Sydney Olympic Games 2000** - Lead Dancer - Latin American dance segment "Americas"

**Coach & Co-choreographer** of Australia's first international salsa performance teams, Latin Motion Dance Academy & Latin Motion's Rising Stars

**Feature Dancer/Instructor at:**

- 2001 Darling Harbour Fiesta - Sydney
- 2002 West Coast International Salsa Congress – L.A
- 2002 Dancexpo – Sydney
- 2002 Darling Harbour Fiesta - Sydney
- 2003 Salsa by the Sea – Randwick Council - Sydney
- 2003 Zurich International Salsa Congress- Zurich
- 2003 Jambalaya Festival of Latin Music & Dance - NZ
- 2003 West Coast International Salsa Congress – L.A
- 2003 Paris International Salsa Congress - Paris
- 2003 Dancexpo – Sydney
- 2003 Sydney Latin Fiesta – Sydney
- 2003 Darling Harbour Fiesta - Sydney
- 2004 Jambalaya Festival of Latin Music & Dance – New Zealand
- 2004 West Coast International Salsa Congress – L.A
- 2005 Jambalaya Festival of Latin Music & Dance – New Zealand
- 2005 West Coast International Salsa Congress – L.A



## Teaching Experience

1994-1996	Flamenco & Salsa	Two's Company Dance Workshop Richmond, Melb
1996-1998	Flamenco	'Chapel Off Chapel' – Prahran, Melb.
1999	Rueda & Cuban Salsa	lead instructor with IncRUEDAble Latin Motion, Sydney
2000-2005	Salsa & Mambo	Senior instructor with Latin Motion Dance Academy, Sydney
2005-Present	Salsa & Mambo	AusLatin Productions, Sydney

## Judging Experience

- 2005 Jambalaya Festival of Music & Dance
- 2004 Club Salsa – Australian Salsa Championships
- 2004 Jambalaya Festival of Music & Dance
- 2004 Best of the Best Salsa Competition
- 2003 Club Salsa – Australian Salsa Championships
- 2003 Casa De La Salsa/La Campana Salsa Competition
- 2002 The Rueda Olympics - Daintree Café
- 2001 La Campana Salsa Competition

## Event organiser/coordinator

- Latin Dance Corroboree September 2005
- The First Annual Latin Motion Christmas Concert Dec 2005
- Sydney Latin Fiesta October 2004
- Sydney Latin Fiesta October 2003
- Salsa by the Sea January 2003
- Sequins & Sparkles October 2002



## Australia's Latin Dance Entrepreneur

Natalie is one of Sydney's pioneers of Salsa dance at its highest level. The co-founder of Sydney's Latin Motion Dance Academy she directed the dance company to become Australia's internationally acclaimed, leading salsa and mambo specialists.



In addition to Latin Motion, Natalie was also co founder of some of Australia's leading organizations always associated with impeccable standards and organization in whichever genre she chose to pursue –The Rueda Group – 1999, IncRUEDAble Latin Motion -2000, Sirocco Flamenco-2000, Sydney Latin Fiesta – 2003, Latin Dance Corroboree – 2005, The Australian Salsa Championships – 2005

## Current

Natalie now operating under the name of AusLatin Productions. After operating up to 15 classes a week in Sydney's northern Suburbs and Hills districts, AusLatin now focuses on Private Lessons and is available to hire for Private Lessons or to instruct at other studios.



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