JACKI HENKE

Jacki Henke grew up in Grosse Pointe, Michigan where she began dancing, acting and modeling at a very young age. Jacki has appeared in numerous television and print advertisements for companies including Powerade, Revlon, Jeep, K-Mart, AAA and many more. She participated in community as well as school theatre programs and landed roles in feature films, earning her Screen Actors Guild (SAG) card all before the young age of 10.

Jacki went on to train, dance, and teach competitively through high school, where she earned top accolades for performance and choreography at the regional and national levels. Jacki is trained extensively in ballet, pointe, tap, jazz, lyrical and modern/contemporary. Jacki received her bachelor's degree from Alma College with a double major in Dance Performance & Exercise Physiology. In 2011, Jacki moved to Florida where she danced professionally with Surfscape Contemporary Dance Theater before moving to Miami to join the Miami Dolphins Cheerleaders.

Jacki has studied with teachers and choreographers such as Mia Michaels, Joe Lanteri, Suzi Taylor, Sonya Tayeh, Susie Garcia, Travis Wall, Sherry Gilpin, Thomas Morris and performed with artists from Lou Conte Dance Studio, Hubbard Street Dance Chicago, Eisenhower Dance Ensemble, Austin Mahomes, Gloria Estefan, Marc Anthony and Miley Cyrus. When living in Miami, Jacki also managed all events and entertainment at Nikki Beach and The Versace Mansion. She then went on to work for Pzazz Productions where she helped produce multi-day mainstage events & choreography with talent from Disney, America's Got Talent and the Radio City Rockettes for companies such as Google, Bentley, & Air France.

While her love of the stage and performing will always be within her, Jacki now shares her passion for dance with her students. She is in her third season as the Auxiliary Director of the Gulf Coast High School Marching Band, and she is STOTT & Lagree Pilates Certified as well as MuvMethod Progressive Dance Conditioning trained. Throughout her teaching years, Jacki's students have won numerous overall high scores and title positions at both regional and national competitions and have gone on to dance beyond high school. Jacki aims to train, coach and assist her dancers in understanding the mind-body connection of dance, while helping them feel confident, motivated, and inspired to reach their personal goals.