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Master Latin Dance Instructor, Performer & Choreographer

Movies/Television/Videos/Media:

- *Eddie Torres* instructional video “Salsa Nightclub Style” featured dancer along with company dancers.
- *16th Salsa Festival “Live from Madison Square Garden”* video.
- *Carlito's Way* (1993) starring Al Pacino, Sean Penn & John Leguizamo. Principal dancer, various scenes.
- *Sally Jessy Raphael Show* with Tito Rodriguez Jr., Tito Puente, Rita Moreno, Daisy Fuentes with Eddie Torres Dance Co.
- *New York Times, May 22, 2005 The Metro Section.* Featured: *Moved By The Spirit, Not To Mention A Pulsating Salsa Beat.*
- *New York Times, Sunday, February 27, 1994* Featured: *Fun and Exercise, the Accent is on Dancing to Salsa.*
- *Al Rojo Vivo con Maria Celeste.* (2005) *Telemundo WXTV47.*
- *Noticiero Telemundo.*(2006) *Telemundo WXTV47.*
- *Show De Medio Dia – Univision Canal 41–* Principal Dancer with *Eddie Torres Dance Co.*
- *Good Day New York* (1992) – Special on Mambo Kings – interview spot.
- *Cosby Show* (1991) Eddie Torres Dance Company with Mario Bauza, Willie Colon, Graciela. Groupie dancer in recording studio scene with Mambo D (Delille Thomas).
- *Hotshot* movie starring Mario Van Peebles, Pele. Cheerleader/dancer scenes.
- *UPN9 WORTV Hispanic Horizons* (2004)– Guest on Discussion Panel on Gospel and the Latino Community highlighting Immanuel Dance Center's performances at various McDonald's Gospelfest events.
- *UPN9 WORTV Television Special Old Time Revival – McDonald's Gospelfest –* Immanuel Dance Company featured as finalists in Praise Dance Category July 18, 2004
- *WABC Channel 7 Television Special – Celebrating 20 years of McDonald's Gospelfest with Roz Abrams.* Immanuel Dance Company featured as Praise Dance Finalist.
- *Tri-State Christian Newspaper, editor-in-chief Tom Campisi –* Featured in newspaper interview as choreographer for winning of Carman's Mission 3:16 video contest.
- *TBN – Trinity Broadcast Network –* Featured with Carman as Second Place winner of Mission 3:16 contest and broadcasted worldwide.
- *Christian Radio Broadcast WWDJ 970AM–* Interview with Sylvia Pate
- Featured dancer in various music videos for merengue artist, Ace Award winner and Latin Golden Globe winner El Gato & Orchestra, including choreography
- Featured dancer on tour with Grammy Winner Oscar D'Leon and orchestra.
- *The Willie Torres Discography* by Edwin Gardia, Esq. - featured in article.

Performances

- Claridge Hotel, Atlantic City – Eddie Torres dancer with Tito Puente, Yolanda Duke
- *NYC Puerto Rican Day Parades* – Eddie Torres dancer representing Goya Foods.
- *NYC Dominican Day Parades* – Eddie Torres dancer, Immanuel Dance Co., representing Goya Foods.
- *NYC Cuban Parades* – with dancer with partner Argelio Diaz representing RADIO WADO with Grammy winner *David Oquendo*
- Extensive work in New York Summer Festivals as Eddie Torres Dancer. *Harlem Week, Waterside Summer Festival, Museo Del Barrio, Teatro de Puerto Rico, Flushing Meadow Park Hispanic Day Festival, Roberto Clemente State Park, Side Street Festival for Mayor Rudy Giuliani*
- *Madison Square Garden Salsa Festivals* from 1991 to 1997 as Eddie Torres Dancer
- *Avery Fisher Hall – Lincoln Center* – Tito Puente, Dave Valentin, Wynton Marsalis
- *Sounds of Brazil Restaurant & Night Club (SOB's)* – Regular instructor with Delille Thomas (Mambo D)
- *Sounds of Brazil Restaurant & Night Club (SOB's)* performance with Eddie Torres Dance Company
- *Havana Village* – Performance with Delille Thomas (Mambo D)
- *The Palladium* – Thursday nights Mambo Nights with Evelyn Leon
- *Windows of the World -New York Urban Coalition's Second Annual Unity Ball, Mayor David Dinkins* – Eddie Torres Latin Dance Company
- *Six Flags Great Adventure Dance Fest* – Immanuel Dance Company group dance performance
- *Hershey Park Talent Quest* – Immanuel Dance Company group dance performance
- *Jersey City Children's Parade* – Immanuel Dance Company – *Mayor Bret Schundler, Jersey City, New Jersey*
- *Cultural Arts Festival at Liberty State Park, Jersey City, NJ* – Immanuel Dance Company performance
- *Walt Disney World, Orlando, Florida – Magic Music Days* – Immanuel Dance Company performance
- *Donnie McClurkin's Annual New York Call, Eisenhower Park, NY – 2005-2008* – Immanuel Dance Company performances
- *McDonald's Gospelfest Praise Dance Finalists, 2003, 2005, 2007* – Immanuel Dance Company performance
- *Big Splash Summer Festivals, Ocean Grove, NJ, sponsored by WMCA570/WWDJ970 Radio Station*-Immanuel Dance Company
- Invited Salsa Dance Instructor for Latin dance programs at *Rutgers University, Montclair University, Hudson County elementary schools (Sara M. Gilmore, Union City, NJ) and parochial schools (St. Francis Academy, Union City, NJ)*

- *Elizabeth High School, Jefferson Auditorium – Juan Luis Guerra concert – interpretation of “Oye Como Va” by Raul Burgos Latin Jazz Band*
- Salsa Dance Instructor at *Oxygen Health Spa, Teaneck, NJ*
- Various Performances with *Delille Thomas, "Mambo D" New York City*
- *Miami Salsa Congress - Assistant Salsa On2 Instructor with Nuevolution Dance Studio – 2013*
- *China Salsa Festival - Hangzhou, China - Assistant to Jimmy Anton teaching Musicality Workshop 2015*
- *Shiji Da Sha Plaza Salsa Instruction, Taizhou, Luqiao, China- Dance at the Plaza. 2015*
- *Latin Fever 2015 - Salsa, Merengue & Cha Cha - Taizhou, China*
- *Magic Beans English Training Center, Taizhou, Luqiao, China – Latin Dance Choreographer, Performer, Instructor*

Dance Employment

- Present — Independent Contractor – Latin dance instructor, performer, choreographer – (All Latin Dance genres) providing private and group lessons and choreography.
- Present — Sole Proprietor of Immanuel Dance Company and MadOn2 Latin Dance Company, www.MadOn2.com
- Present — Dance & Fitness instructor at Clermont Arts & Recreation Center, Clermont, Florida

Dance Employment Background

- 1983–1991 Cheerleader/Dancer for the *New York Cosmos Soccer Organization – Warner Communications & New York Cosmos Soccer, Franchise of North American Soccer League. Ahmet Ertegun, Co-Founder and Executive Director. Performances at Giant Stadium, Meadowlands, East Rutherford, New Jersey. Under the dance direction of choreographer Debbie Benitez.*
- 1987-1997 *Company Dancer with the Eddie Torres Latin Dance Company, New York City*
- 1997-2010 *President & Director of Choreography, Immanuel Dance Center, Inc., Immanuel Dance Company & Immanuel Ministries Dance Studio*
- 2013–2014 *Dance Instructor and Choreographer at Nuevolution Dance Studios, Pembroke Pines, Florida*
- 2013–2014 *Dance Instructor and Choreographer at Kitchen 305, Salsa Thursdays, Sunny Isles Beach, Florida*
- 2013–2015 *Dance Instructor and Choreographer at Harmonies of Hope, City of Fort Lauderdale, J.C. Carter Park*
- 2015 — *Director of Latin Dance for Magic Beans English Training School, Taizhou, Luqiao China*
- 2016 —2018 *Independent Contractor for Dynamic Dance & Fitness – Latin Dance Instructor and Performer*
- *SalsAerobics Dance Instructor at Oxygen Health Spa, Teaneck, NJ*
- *President & Director of Choreography, Group Fitness/Dance Instruction -- Immanuel Dance Center, Inc., West NY, NJ*
- *Sounds of Brazil Restaurant & Night Club (SOB's) – Salsa Instructor with Delille Thomas (Mambo D)*
- *Eddie Torres Latin Dance Company, New York City — Company Dancer*
- *SalsAerobics Instructor – Elaine Powers, Jamaica and NYC, NY*
- *Aerobics Instructor – Living Well Lady, Astoria, NY*
- *Salsa Instructor at Waistline 24 Health Spa, West New York, NJ*

Dance Studies

- *Miguel Vargas, Master Teacher, Flamenco Workshop, Baila Flamenco, N Miami Beach, Fl.*
- *John Denvlin's Dancersize (now operating as Dancesport), New York City*
- *Steps on Broadway – Jazz (Restifo Technique), New York City*
- *Broadway Dance Center – Jazz (Sue Samuels), New York City*
- *Eddie Torres Latin Dance School – Mambo On2, all latin genres and disciplines, New York City*
- *Delille Thomas (Mambo D Dance Center) Mambo On 2, performance, rehearsal & disciplines, New York City*
- *92nd St. Y – Ballet for Adults, Flamenco (JoDe Romano), New York City*
- *Nelida Tirado, Master Teacher, Flamenco at Paul Grier Studios, New York City*

Certifications

- *American Council on Exercise (ACE) Group Fitness Instructor – Specialty: Dance*
- *Certified Dance Instructor of the “Eddie Torres Technique” (ETOn2) of Mambo/NY Style Salsa authorized by Eddie Torres*
- *Certified CPR AED LifeSaver from American Heart Association*

Immanuel Dance Center Inc.: Founder and Director of Dance Instruction and Choreography for Immanuel Dance Center Inc. and MadOn2. Provide dance and choreography services to adult customers and their children.. My role was not only teaching the art of dance, but meeting the artistic needs of client, eg., choreography for Sweet 16, Quinceaneras, weddings, talent shows, and performances. Building client confidence; assuming responsibility for solving client problems; delivering excellence and impeccability to meet the needs of clients by supplying applicable requested information and direction in a clear, concise manner while maintaining a positive, sometimes humorous and always courteous demeanor. Controlled development of not only dance skills, but any other problem or artistic need that was required, including references to colleges. Handle complaints, agendas, purchases, schedules and coordinating special classes for individuals, and the maintenance of safety at all times. Extensive phone communications and conversations to meet the desired need of the individual dancer. Possession of great skills in social perceptiveness and problem solving and consider myself an expert in staying calm in stressful situations.

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