

ILIAS CHATZIGEORGIOU

DANCE

Ilias Chatzigeorgiou was born in Chaidari in 1983. He holds a degree in Philosophy, Pedagogics and Psychology from the School of Philosophy, University of Ioannina, with specialisation in psychology. He is a certified coach from the Association for Coaching and the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens. He began dancing as a self-taught hip hop and breakdance dancer at the age of ten. As an adolescent performed in squares and improvisation contests. Since his university years and to this day he has engaged with many diverse dance genres. In 2006, he participated in the TV talent show So You Think You Can Dance, where he finished sixth runner-up. He subsequently performed as an actor and dancer in numerous theatrical productions. He quickly came in contact with contemporary dance and movement research.

He has been a professional dancer for the past sixteen years, with a rich dance and theatre background in Greece and abroad. He supervises movement in theatrical productions. His artistic interests include bringing together diverse dance genres and using them as a means for obtaining information in contemporary dance in terms of movement, style and performance. He has been a member of Aerites Dance Company since 2009.

He teaches dance and has been running dance workshops in Greece and abroad for the last fifteen years. He has been one of the dance instructors-choreographers for adolescents at the Onassis Foundation “dancing to connect” educational programme since 2013. He has taught dance at the Avlona Prison for Minors and Young Offenders. He teaches pedagogics and psychology at the professional dance school Anna Petrova – Maro Marinou. He has performed in major festivals and theatres around the world including Fondazione Nazionale della Danza, Baden Theater, Onassis Culture Centre, Sibiu International Theater Festival, Dublin dance festival, Centre National de la Danse, Biennale de la danse, Kalamata Dance Festival, Mercat de les Flors, Tanzhaus NRW, Aerowaves Spring Forward, Künstlerhaus Mousonturm, Athens & Epidaurus Festival and many more.