



Andy Howard

Dance Instructor | Clogger

Andy Howard is the director of the American Racket Cloggers. He lives in Gainesville, FL, where he works for the University of Florida (Marketing and Communications in the Department of Recreational Sports). Andy is an adjunct instructor of tap dance at Santa Fe College (Gainesville, FL) and instructor of social dance for the University of Florida's Dance for Life program, measuring the impact of dance practice on people living with Parkinson's disease. Andy teaches and judges clogging for regional events throughout the United States.

Andy started clogging in 1988 (Country Rhythm Cloggers and Sidekick Cloggers of LaBelle, FL) and, leading American Racket since 2002, has shared the stage with Bill Cosby, Sugar Ray, Dane Cook, Sister Hazel, Ted Koppel, Jimmy Osmond and Kenny Lovelace and has corporate performance credits including Seaworld, Goodyear Tires, Walt Disney World Resort, National Association of Home Builders, Hardrock and more. Under Andy's leadership, the company has toured in South Korea, Brazil, Costa Rica and Canada

His previous employment includes Walt Disney World Resort Entertainment, the University of Florida College of Fine Arts, Orlando Opera Company and Orlando Repertory Theatre. He earned a Master of Arts from Florida State University in American Dance Studies and authored his thesis on American Team Clogging. He also holds a Master of Arts in International Business from the University of Florida.

In Andy's spare time, he enjoys outdoor photography, waterskiing and adventuring the landscapes of North Florida's beaches, springs and forests.