

# Andris Toppe

## Career credits 1964 to 2015

### Dancer/Performer:

2015	Appearance with The Australian Ballet in Graeme Murphy's production of <i>Swan Lake</i> , for the Sydney season at the Capitol Theatre
2015	Appearance with the Young Dancers Association in Harry Haythorne's production of <i>The Magic Toyshop</i> , which Andris also choreographed with Daniel Gaudiello.
2014	Appearance with The Australian Ballet in <i>Manon</i> , for the Melbourne season at the State Theatre
2012	Appearance with Young Dancers of Central Queensland in production <i>Dance Round the World</i> [which included a revised version of <i>Nutcracker act 2</i> ] for which he choreographed some sections
2011	Appearance with Young Dancers of Central Queensland in Harry Haythorne's production of <i>La Sylphide</i> as Madge the witch.
2010	Appearance with The Australian Ballet in Graeme Murphy's production of <i>Nutcracker</i> , Japan tour Tokyo season Appearance with Young Dancers of Central Queensland in <i>Nutcracker</i> as Drosselmeier
2009	Appearance with The Australian Ballet in Graeme Murphy's production of <i>Nutcracker</i> , Melbourne and Sydney seasons
2007	Appearance with Sydney Dance Company in Graeme Murphy's production of <i>Glimpses</i> [part of <i>Cut</i> programme]
2006	Appearance with The Australian Ballet in Stephen Baynes' production of <i>Raymonda</i>
2004	Appearance with Sydney Dance Company in Graeme Murphy's production of <i>Shades of Gray</i>
1999	<i>Beneath Heaven</i> [play by Daniel Keene, Keene/Taylor Company]
1992, 2000	Appearance with The Australian Ballet in Graeme Murphy's production of <i>Nutcracker</i> , Melbourne and Sydney seasons
1993	<i>The Waking Hour</i> [QPAC, Brisbane]
Various	Films: <i>Starstruck</i> , <i>The Pirate Movie</i> , <i>Undercover</i>
Various	Various commercial dance appearances including ABC, GTV 9 and SBS TV shows [Farnham & Byrne, In Melbourne Tonight, AFI Awards etc]. Shows with David Atkins, [Royal Command Performances SOH / Adelaide Festival Ctr. Sydney Entertainment Centre opening]. Backing dancer for Julie Anthony Show [various Sydney venues and on tour NSW]. TV Commercials.
Various	West Australian Ballet (guest artist) Canberra Dance Ensemble (guest artist) <i>Carmen</i> [Melbourne Theatre Company]
1976-1978	Sydney Dance Company
1975-1976	Ballet Victoria
1969-1975	Les Grands Ballets Canadiens
1964-1969	The Australian Ballet

**Choreographic Work:**

<i>Wharf Revue</i>	Sydney Theatre Company
<i>Miss Tanaka</i>	Choreographer for Malthouse Theatre production 2001
<i>Esso Concert in the Bowl 2000</i>	Director/ballet co-ordinator for orchestral concert
<i>Rothmans farewell</i>	Co-Choreographer (corporate show)
<i>Adidas World Conference</i>	Coordination and staging of opening spectacular at Sydney Convention & Exhibition Centre
<i>The Merry Widow</i>	Choreographer for 1999 Australian tour, (Simon Gallaher/Essgee Entertainment)
<i>A Funny Thing Happened On The Way To The Forum</i>	Choreographer for 1999 Australian tour, (Simon Gallaher/Essgee Entertainment)
<i>Sydney Showboat Cabaret</i>	Choreographer for sections of cabaret show
<i>Joanne Carter, ice-skater</i>	Choreographer for Australian champion's 1998 competition programme
<i>Clayton's Classics</i>	Choreographer, Victorian College of the Arts, School of Dance
Trent Nelson and Natalie Buck, <i>ice-skaters</i>	Choreography for Australian National Ice-dance Champions
<i>The Pack of Women</i>	Robyn Archer's cabaret/stage/TV productions
<i>Toccata pas de deux</i>	Sydney Dance Company
<i>Toccata</i>	Sydney Dance Company
<i>Suite For a Lonely Child</i>	Sydney Dance Company
<i>Intimate Strangers</i>	ABC TV
<i>Cowra Breakout</i>	TV mini-series, Kennedy Miller Productions
<i>Twisties</i>	TV commercial
<i>Cadbury Crunchie</i>	TV commercial
<i>Tears of Steel</i>	Jeannie Lewis cabaret show
<i>So You Want Blood</i>	Jeannie Lewis cabaret show (Kinsella's, Sydney)
<i>Carmen</i>	Melbourne Theatre Company
<i>Bear Dinkum</i>	Marionette Theatre of Australia
<i>Aussie Rules</i>	Australian Dance Theatre
<i>At Midnight</i>	North Queensland Ballet
<i>Where Are The Gentlemen?</i>	North Queensland Ballet
<i>Take That!</i>	The Dancers Company (Australian Ballet)
<i>The Story of Babar</i>	One Extra Company
<i>Ladies Who Lunch</i>	Dancegroup Adelaide
<i>Sounds of Suburbia</i>	Kinetikos Dance Theatre, Perth
<i>The Birds</i>	Heidelberg Ballet Ensemble, Victoria
<i>She'll Be Right Mate</i>	Canberra Dance Ensemble
<i>Imagine</i>	Canberra Dance Ensemble
<i>Dinner At 8½</i>	One Extra Company; Canberra Dance Ensemble (reproduction); Darwin Dance Mob (reproduction)
<i>It's All Done With Mirrors</i>	Feats Unlimited, Darwin
<i>Longreach Centenary Pageant</i>	Longreach, Queensland
<i>After The Ball</i>	The Queensland Ballet
<i>Death In Venice</i>	The Queensland Ballet (2 seasons)
<i>Les Biches</i>	The Queensland Ballet (2 seasons)
<i>Frankie &amp; Johnny</i>	The Queensland Ballet (2 seasons)
<i>The Parable of Peace</i>	Section of Sydney Youth Rally for Papal Tour 1986
<i>Elusive Spectrum</i>	Queensland Young Dancers Company
<i>The Magic Toyshop</i>	Queensland Young Dancers Company
<i>Black &amp; White Minstrel Show</i>	National Tour 1987
<i>Love and Kisses, XXX</i>	Canberra Dance Theatre
<i>Grace Bros. Christmas Parade</i>	Concept and co-ordination
<i>Simply The Best</i>	Company production numbers for 1992 British tour of Torvill & Dean with the Ukrainian Ice Dance Theatre
<i>12-Foot Repeat</i>	The Queensland Ballet
<i>The Waking Hour</i>	Queensland Performing Arts Trust
<i>Los Trios Ringbarkus</i>	TV comedy special
<i>3 Men &amp; A Baby Grand</i>	TV comedy special
<i>Torvill &amp; Dean and the Russian Allstars</i>	BBC TV special

**Director/Choreographer:**

<i>Treemonisha</i>	Scott Joplin opera [North Sydney High School]
<i>Kookaburra Pond</i>	Darwin Dance Mob (Northern Territory tour)

<i>Scrambled Legs On Toast</i>	Darwin Dance Mob
<i>Les Biches</i>	Commissioned for opening of the Queensland Performing Arts Centre 1985
<i>Rainbow Tribe</i>	Canberra Dance Ensemble (Co-Director/Choreographer)
<i>Face The Music</i>	Company production numbers conception, co-choreography and co-direction for Torvill & Dean 1994/95 tour of UK, Australia and USA, plus TV and video specials
<i>Ice Adventures</i>	Director and co-choreographer for Torvill & Dean 1997/98 UK tour, plus TV special

**Assistant Choreographer:**

<i>Starstruck</i>	Assistant to David Atkins on feature film, directed by Gillian Armstrong
<i>Royal Command Performance</i>	Adelaide Festival Centre, assistant to David Atkins
<i>Opening Spectacular</i>	Sydney Entertainment Centre opening
<i>Fire and Ice</i>	Torvill & Dean TV special, London
<i>Torvill &amp; Dean</i>	Omnibus BBC TV special, London
<i>Encounters</i>	English National Ballet, assistant to Christopher Dean

**Artistic Adviser:**

<i>Bach Suite # 6</i>	Yo Yo Ma, Torvill & Dean TV special from <i>Inspired by Bach</i> for Rhombus Media Inc., Canada
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**Ballet Master/Rehearsal Director:**

<i>Turn of the Tide</i>	One Extra Company [also stage manager]
<i>Torvill &amp; Dean</i>	All tours, including Russian Allstars and Ice Capades
<i>Canberra Dance Ensemble</i>	Rehearsal Assistant 1991

**Teacher (Dance):** Australia, Canada, Germany, UK, USA

**Choreographer/Teacher/ Coach (ice skating):** Australian, British, French, German, Finnish, Italian amateur ice-skating champions

**Movement coach:** Cast for Melbourne Theatre Company production of *Carmen*  
Casts for Essgee productions of *A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum* and *The Merry Widow*

**Adjudicator:** Sydney Eisteddfod 2009, 2010, 2013, 2015

**Lectures/talks:** Friends of The Australian Ballet (Sydney)  
Friends of The Arts Centre [Melbourne]  
Sydney Equestrian Association, [Sydney]  
Burger Centre [Sydney]  
Friends of Gaillard Auditorium, Charleston, South Carolina USA

**Management & Administration:**

Company/Tour Manager & Personal Assistant to Artistic Directors	Sydney Dance Company 2000-2008
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Company Manager	Paris Opera Ballet, Brisbane season 2009 Ballet Nacional de Cuba, Brisbane season 2010 Hamburg Opera, Philharmonic Orchestra and Ballet 2012 Paris Opera Ballet, Sydney season 2013 The Bolshoi Ballet, Brisbane season 2013 American Ballet Theatre, Brisbane season 2014
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Company Co-ordinator	Melbourne International Arts Festival 2009
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Artist Co-ordinator	Sydney Festival 2010
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Stage Manager	PACT House Melbourne production of play <i>Proof</i> 2010
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Duty Manager	Palais Theatre, Melbourne, 2011-2015
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