

*Giovanni Allen* is originally from New York City where he received his early training at the Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater and American Ballet Theater. He did his undergraduate work at California Institute for the Arts in LA.

In 2008, he was invited to choreograph at the Barcelona International Course of Dance in Spain as well as the Greece Dance Festival. He has worked with artists such as; Rodolfo Castellanos, Jean Emile, Juan Borona and Roger Jeffrey Halili. After Spain, he was chosen to represent Cal Arts at the American College Dance festival in 2009. That same year he was cast in the Broadway holiday show "Radio City Christmas Spectacular".

In the summer of 2010, he made Texas home where he has been teaching modern, lyrical, contemporary, hip-hop, jazz, and choreographing for numerous studios in the metroplex, as well as across the nation.

Giovanni has also been given the privilege to be on the faculty for Soul de Soul dance convention and is also a current company member of Pedestrian Dance Movement.

He is thrilled to act as a XD2 Company Director for a third season this year.