

Wilfried Jacobs

Wilfried received his ballet education at the Royal Ballet School of Antwerp, Belgium. In March 1995 his first professional engagement was in Karlsruhe, Germany, where he danced with The Ballet am Badishes Staatstheater under the direction of Germinal Cassado.

From August 1998 until September 2007 he worked as a freelance dancer, choreographer and teacher in Japan.

While dancing at the IBC 2006 of Jackson, USA, former director Dinna Bjørn invited him to come to Helsinki and join the Finnish National Ballet, which he did in September 2007.

Since August 2013 Wilfried combines his duties of Principal Dancer with those of coordinating the Ballet School of the Finnish National Opera and Ballet.

Wilfried graduated from HAMK (Häme University of Applied Sciences) as an International Professional Teacher in spring 2017.

In December 2016 he received the decoration; Knight of the Order of the Lion of Finland.

For more detailed information on Wilfried's career please have a look at [his CV](#).



Above: Onegin (John Cranko) with Edita Raušerová
Left: Scheherazade (Kenneth Greve) with Julie Gardette
Below: Manon (Sir Kenneth MacMillan)

