

# YVONNE GILMORE



Yvonne Gilmore was born in Manchester and was trained initially by Pat Heywood, an NATD teacher who in turn was trained by Miss Nina Hodgson.

Gaining her first Associate status in National Tap, she continued her training whilst appearing in Pantomimes and Summer season revues. Eventually she entered the world of Musicals, appearing in the Pyjama Game and the King and I and there becoming Ballet Mistress.

She also spent a further three years touring the world with her husband appearing mostly in the Far East and even appeared on Japanese Television! She took a break when she lost her father and studied for a degree in Mathematics and from there commenced teaching in Secondary School.

The love of teaching and the lure of the theatre lead her back to dance. She started entering her pupils in NATD exams with such success that she was appointed as an Examiner. At this time she also represented the Northern Area on the Council of the National eventually achieving the honour of being appointed as the Chairman.