



Judy Dobransky

**Brevet Judge
Coach, Choreographer, Contributor**



HALL OF FAME

Inducted 2015

Judy Dobransky has been actively involved with the Region 5 community since 1973. Her impact on the sport of gymnastics and her passion for Region 5 is incomparable.

While Judy was never a gymnast herself, she is the parent of a very successful elite gymnast who now coaches at the collegiate level for the University of Alabama. Judy started out as a physical education teacher and then began coaching at Oak Park High School. From there, she continued on to Steve Whitlock's School of Gymnastics. She has been coaching at Olympia Gymnastics Academy for the past 20 years. Along with coaching, Judy has been choreographing winning floor routines through the entire country for nearly 40 years.

Judy has had her brevet judging credentials since 1983. She has judged all types of meets, spanning from local compulsories all the way to international competitions. She has been named USECA Judge of the Year multiple times, the last being in 2002.

In order to assure Michigan and Region 5 continued access to quality judges, she spends time training new judges with her abundance of training videos. She teaches brand new judges just as strong as a Level 9/10 judge and administers the judging examinations. She is one of the founders of the Michigan NAWGJ Board. Additionally, she maintains the NAWGJ National library to ensure the excellent quality of judging professionals. Judy has served as a clinician for numerous regional training camps and workshops. She has also participated in State, Regional, and National Congresses to spread her seemingly endless knowledge and wisdom.

Judy is always going above and beyond to make sure our region has the tools to be successful. She is always readily available to critique and/or consult at any gymnastics facility should they request it. As an example of her interest to help the success of our region, she would write notes to every athlete that she judged at Regionals that had qualified to Nationals. She addressed the deductions she had taken and gave them advice, in order to help them be better prepared for Nationals. Even with the extensive knowledge that she has accumulated, Judy has always continued to make herself an active student of the sport of gymnastics. She has always upheld a very high standard for herself, as well as those around her. Her spunky personality and radiating smile have impacted many generations of gymnasts. Most importantly, she LOVES what she does. All of this makes her an invaluable asset to Region 5 and our sport as a whole. There will never be anyone quite like Judy Dobransky.