



# Marco Bravo

Coach – Phenom Gymnastics Club



2021 *Hall of Fame*

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Inducted 2021

Marco Bravo has been a coach in Region 5 for over two decades contributing to the success of our region. He has had gymnasts qualify to Level 10 Nationals over 20 years consecutively except for one year. He has had countless Junior Olympic National Team members – Kallie Steffes, Courtney Butler, Ashley Priess, Courtney Priess, Katie Zurales, Keeley Kmiecziak, and Haley Tyson, just to name a few. These gymnasts date back to the 1990's and his success record continues to the present time.

Marco has also coached several Region 5 Elite gymnasts – Kallie Steffes, Courtney Priess, Ashley Priess, Kelly Fee, and Marissa Oakley. Marissa finished 15<sup>th</sup> All Around at P & G's in 2014. In addition, she attended National Team Training camps at the invitation of Martha Karolyi for two years.

Not only does Marco's Level 10 coaching accomplishments speak for themselves, but he is a popular and loved figure in Region 5. There isn't a gymnast who doesn't know him, nor a coach who doesn't love him. He has coached at Region 5 training camps since they started. In addition he's had a gymnast on the Region 5 All Star trip for over 10 years and attended these trips as a volunteer Spanish translator. Marco donates his time to the Region as well as Illinois Congresses, training camps etc. Most recently, he volunteered at the American Cup as a Spanish translator. Marco is always willing to go above and beyond to help anyone. In fact, he has hosted teams from Costa Rica (private cub team and National team) as well as Mexico, in order to help educate the coaches on current training techniques and to help those gymnasts improve – all free of charge.