

Yaisuri & John Hernan

3rd place in the World Championship of Tango, Buenos Aires, Argentina



John started dancing tango in Buenos Aires in 1997, where he studied with highly respected tango masters. Recently, he was part of the Tango Musical Arrabal, at the ART Theater located in Cambridge, MA. He has also performed in popular Buenos Aires tango shows such as Arrabal, Sabor a Tango and Voz Tango. His personal style is based in traditional tango and informed by training in theater, contemporary dance, jazz, and salsa.

Yaisuri Salamanca and **John Hernan Raigoza** are an award-winning professional Argentine tango couple with more than 15 years of performing experience. They dance with explosive strength, playful creativity, and a powerful emotional connection. Their style is firmly grounded in authentic tango learned from Argentine masters enhanced by technique gained from training in ballet, jazz and Latin dance. It is this dynamic style that earned Yaisuri and John third place in the stage tango category at the 2008 Tango World Championship in Argentina and has captivated audiences on both sides of the Atlantic Ocean. Together and separately they have performed as featured dancers in major tango shows in Buenos Aires, New York City, and London, as well as at a variety of events in the United States and Latin America. In addition to their performing prowess, Yaisuri and John are experienced teachers who are passionate about sharing their knowledge of tango with dancers of all levels.

Yaisuri was a principal dancer in the 2012-2013 West End production of the musical *Midnight Tango* in London, England, and has also danced with a major South American tango dance company. Her training in classical ballet, salsa and traditional South American folk dances has enriched both her dancing style and technique.