



Catherine Poulton Management

THOMAS LACEY

Thomas was recently seen treading the boards as Scott Hastings in Baz Luhrmann's *Strictly Ballroom the Musical*, a leading role that showcased him as an extraordinary triple threat. He has also just toured as featured vocalist with Hugh Jackman in *Broadway to Oz* and traveled to the Edinburgh Fringe Festival to perform with *The Tap Pack*.

Thomas amassed a large fan base from his role as Ben Tickle in the ABC's hit teen series *Dance Academy*. This was his first ongoing television role, and his natural charm and presence saw him soon become a favourite with audiences. Thomas commenced professional work on stage in *The Magic Faraway Tree* for Garry Ginivan Productions. Other credits include *Singin' in the Rain* and the Melbourne and Singapore seasons of *Oliver!*, *The Wizard of Oz* (GFO/SEL) and several appearances with The Production Company including *Music Man*, *Bye Bye Birdie* and *Oklahoma!* A career highlight was performing in the 2006 Melbourne Commonwealth Games Opening Ceremony.

Having commenced dancing at the age of 2 at the May Downs School of Dance, Thomas trained in Ballet, Jazz, Tap, Hip Hop, Contemporary Dance and Acrobatics. He also trained at Danceworx in Ballroom, Latin and New Vogue and has undertaken further voice work at the David Butler Studios alongside acting classes with some of Melbourne's top drama coaches.

Other screen work includes *Blue Heelers* and a recurring role in *Winners and Losers*. Thomas will soon be seen in the feature film *Dance Academy: The Comeback*.

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