

## Mohini Bhardwaj

*2001 World Championships Bronze Medalist*  
*2001 Vault National Champion, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place All-Around*  
*2001 NCAA Champion, Floor Exercise and Team*  
*2000 NCAA Champion, Uneven Bars and Team*  
*1997 World Championships Team, Individual Event Finalist*



Hometown: Cincinnati, Ohio  
 Residence: Los Angeles, Calif.  
 Date/Place of Birth: September 29, 1978/Philadelphia, Pa.  
 Club: All Olympians Gymnastics Center  
 Coach: Chris Waller and Galina Marinova  
 School: UCLA  
 Year in School: 6<sup>th</sup> year (double-major in History and Sociology)  
 Began Gymnastics: 1983  
 Favorite Event: Vault  
 Years on National Team: 7 (1992-98, 2001-02)

### Personal Info

Bhardwaj is the daughter of Kaushal and Indu Bhardwaj. Her mother is from Russia and her father from India; they met in Canada. She has one younger brother, Arun (2/7/80), who is a former gymnast. Bhardwaj's first name, Mohini, means "illusion" in Hindi. Bhardwaj began gymnastics at age four in Cincinnati. In 1993, she moved to Florida and trained at Brown's Gymnastics until 1997. During her career at UCLA, Bhardwaj received numerous honors including the 2000-2001 Honda Award winner for gymnastics, which honors the nation's top female gymnast. Bhardwaj is an 11-time All-American and the winner of the AAI American Award for the nation's top senior gymnast. While at UCLA, she set school marks for the most 10s in a season (8), most career perfect 10s (8), and most 10s in a meet (3). She was a member of the 2001 World Championships team that earned a bronze medal. Bhardwaj is finishing up a double major in Sociology and History at UCLA. She enjoys reading and dancing in her spare time. Her goals for gymnastics include competing at the 2004 Olympic Games.

### International Competition

- 2001 Reese's Gymnastics Cup, Houston, Texas; 8<sup>th</sup> (with Alexei Nemov)
- 2001 World Gymnastics Championships, Ghent, Belgium; 3<sup>rd</sup>-Team, 18<sup>th</sup>-AA, 7<sup>th</sup>-V
- 2001 Senior Pan American Championships, Cancun, Mexico; 1<sup>st</sup>-Team, 2<sup>nd</sup>-AA, 5<sup>th</sup>-V
- 1999 World University Games, Majorca, Spain; AA Qualifier
- 1997 World Gymnastics Championships, Lausanne, Switzerland; 6<sup>th</sup>-Team, 5<sup>th</sup>-V
- 1997 Visa American Cup, Fort Worth, Texas; 10<sup>th</sup>-AA (prelims.)
- 1996 Pacific Alliance Championships, Kuantan, MAS; 1<sup>st</sup>-Team, AA & V, T3<sup>rd</sup>-UB, 2<sup>nd</sup>-BB, 3<sup>rd</sup>-FX
- 1996 World Star Competition, Moscow, Russia; 4<sup>th</sup>-AA, 3<sup>rd</sup>-V, 2<sup>nd</sup>-UB, 3<sup>rd</sup>-BB
- 1995 Atlanta Gymnastics Invitational, Atlanta, Ga.; 8<sup>th</sup>-AA, 1<sup>st</sup>-V
- 1995 China Cup, Chengdu/Wuhan, China; 7<sup>th</sup>-AA & V, T5<sup>th</sup>-UB, 3<sup>rd</sup>-BB, 13<sup>th</sup>-FX, 2<sup>nd</sup>-Mixed Pairs (w/Aliaz Pegan)
- 1995 International Mixed Pairs, Seattle, Wash.; 3<sup>rd</sup>-AA (with Rob Kieffer)
- 1994 Puerto Rico International Gymnastics Cup, San Juan, Puerto Rico; 2<sup>nd</sup>-V, 3<sup>rd</sup>-BB

# Women's National Team

## National Competition

- 2004 Visa U.S. Championships, Nashville, Tenn.; 2<sup>nd</sup>-V, 12<sup>th</sup>-AA
- 2004 American Classic, Ontario, CA; 8<sup>th</sup>-AA, 2<sup>nd</sup>-V, 5<sup>th</sup>-UB
- 2002 U.S. Classic, Virginia Beach, Va.; 8<sup>th</sup>-AA, 2<sup>nd</sup>-V, 10<sup>th</sup>-BB, 10<sup>th</sup>-FX
- 2001 U.S. Gymnastics Championships, Philadelphia, Pa.; 3<sup>rd</sup>-AA, 1<sup>st</sup>-V, 6<sup>th</sup>-UB, 2<sup>nd</sup>-BB, 7<sup>h</sup>-FX (tie)
- 2001 NCAA Championships, Athens, Ga.; 1<sup>st</sup>-Team, 1<sup>st</sup>-FX
- 2000 NCAA Championships, 1<sup>st</sup>-Team, 1<sup>st</sup>-UB, 2<sup>nd</sup>-AA, 2<sup>nd</sup>-BB, 5<sup>th</sup>-V (First-team All-American AA, V, UB, BB)
- 1999 NCAA Championships, 11<sup>th</sup>-AA (Second-team All-American AA), 8<sup>th</sup>-UB (First-team All-American UB)
- 1998 NCAA Championships, 4<sup>th</sup>-UB, 7<sup>th</sup>-V (First-team All-American V & UB)
- 1997 John Hancock U.S. Gymnastics Championships, Denver, Colo.; 3<sup>rd</sup>-AA, T3<sup>rd</sup>-V, T8<sup>th</sup>-UB, T10<sup>th</sup>-BB, T5<sup>th</sup>-FX.
- 1996 U.S. Olympic Trials-Gymnastics, Boston, Mass.; 10<sup>th</sup>-AA
- 1996 Coca-Cola National Championships, Knoxville, Tenn.; T12<sup>th</sup>-AA, 4<sup>th</sup>-V & UB, 2<sup>nd</sup>-BB, T5<sup>th</sup>-FX
- 1996 U.S. Classic, Colorado Springs, Colo.; 3<sup>rd</sup>-AA, T3<sup>rd</sup>-V, 5<sup>th</sup>-UB, 4<sup>th</sup>-BB
- 1996 American Classic/World Championships Trials, Tulsa, Okla.; 9<sup>th</sup>-AA
- 1995 Coca-Cola National Championships, New Orleans, La.; 15<sup>th</sup>-AA, T4<sup>th</sup>-UB, 6<sup>th</sup>-V
- 1995 U.S. Olympic Festival, Boulder, Colo.; 5<sup>th</sup>-AA, 2<sup>nd</sup>-V & UB
- 1995 American Classic/Pan American Games Trials, Oakland, Calif.; T10<sup>th</sup>-AA, 10<sup>th</sup>-UB, 7<sup>th</sup>-BB
- 1994 Coca-Cola National Championships, Nashville, Tenn.; 35<sup>th</sup>-AA
- 1994 American Classic/World Championships Trials, Orlando, Fla.; 18<sup>th</sup>-AA
- 1993 Coca-Cola National Championships, Salt Lake City, Utah; 10<sup>th</sup>-AA
- 1993 U.S. Classic, Austin, Texas; 15<sup>th</sup>-AA
- 1993 U.S. Olympic Festival, San Antonio, Texas; T7<sup>th</sup>-AA, 6<sup>th</sup>-V, T5<sup>th</sup>-BB
- 1993 American Classic; 11<sup>th</sup>-AA, 12<sup>th</sup>-UB, T7<sup>th</sup>-BB