

# APRIL STEINER BENNETT



## Athletic Resume & Accomplishments

## Volunteer/Community

**Mesa Public Schools Motivational Speaker Arizona:** Dec. 2004- June 2005. March

2009-May 2009. 2010-2014. **Springdale Public Schools Motivational Speaker:** 2008-2010 Speaking Nationally in several states as well as district tours has been a passion of mine since before I earned the Olympic title. It inspires me and motivates me on so many levels. Speaking about how to set goals, the journey of life, where my path started and has led me, among many other topics depending on the audience.

**HOBY Leadership Conference** Bloomington, IL March 2015.

**Currently National Stick Jumping Ambassador** and Speaker for "Try Something New!" Campaign for Vaultsafe.org in middle school & elementary schools.

## Leadership/Activities

**Current Olympic Professional Athlete:** Track and Field, Women's Pole Vault.

Competitor and Ambassador for Women's Pole Vault through USATF and Asics America.

Personal Best: 4.63m (15'2.5")

**Currently Asst. Director and Coach** for Stacy Dragila National Youth polevault camps/ clinics 2006 to present.

**Division I Track Team 3x All American** —University of Arkansas, Fayetteville - Pole Vaulter **Co-Team**

**Captain:** University of Arkansas Track Team for 2002-2003 school/athletic year. Led freshman pole vaulters and other teammates by example in guiding them to be disciplined in their workouts, nutrition, equipment care, and studies. (Aug. 2000-June 2003).

**Junior College Track Team 3x All American** —Paradise Valley Community College— Pole Vaulter. Champion, Former School and National Junior College Record holder of 12'6.5."

## Athletic and Related Accomplishments

**National Champion**—Paradise Valley Community College (1999).

**6-time All-American**—Paradise Valley Community College Pole Vault (Jan. 1999-May 2000). University of Arkansas, Fayetteville. Indoor season (Jan. 2001), Indoor season (Jan. 2002), Indoor and Outdoor season (Jan. 2003- June 2003).

**NCAA Division I Indoor Championships 2003-** Bronze

**South Eastern Conference 2003-** Champion

**University Record- Division I**—University of Arkansas, Fayetteville. Former school record at 14'3 ¼" (indoor season), 14' ½" (outdoor season).

**USATF 2004 Athens and 2012 London Olympic team** Alternate

**USA 2007 PAN AMERICAN GAMES Team Member**-Rio De Janero, Brazil Silver Medal **USA 2008**

**Beijing Olympic Team Member**- 8<sup>th</sup> place finish in 2008 Beijing Olympics Women's Pole Vault. Silver medal at Olympic Team Trials for this team.

**USATF 2009 Berlin World Championship Team** Alternate

**USATF 2011 Pan American Team Member**

**USATF 2012 US Olympic Team Trials** 5<sup>th</sup> Place Finish

**Currently Completed Training** for the 2016 Rio De Janero, Olympic Games, Made finals at the Olympic trials and tied for 6<sup>th</sup> place. Top 3 places qualified for Olympic Team

**City of Mesa, AZ Sports Hall of Fame Inductee 2013**

**Arkansas Track and Field Sports Hall of Fame Inductee 2015 NJCAA Service**

**Achievement Award Recipient 2013**

**2004 Thanksgiving FEAR FACTOR Reality TV Show Champion**- Award \$50,000.

**TEDx Westminster College, MO Guest speaker** November 2015