

# Clare Brunson



**Birth Date:** 11/06/1989  
**Program:** Acrobatic  
**Event:** Mixed Pair  
**Partner:** [Michael Rodrigues](#)  
**Level:** Senior  
**Residence:** Riverside, CA  
**Club:** Independent  
**Coach:** Youri Vorobiev

## 🔗 Biography

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Clare Brunson begins her fourth year campaign as a member of the Acrobatic Gymnastics National Team. In 2005, Clare and her partner, Michael, were members of the U.S. delegation at the World Games in Duisburg, Germany, and finished fourth all-around in the competition. During the 2006 season, the mixed pair was the top acro athlete group for the USA after winning a bronze medal at the 20th Acrobatic Gymnastics World Championships in Coimbra, Portugal. The pair also repeated as National Mixed Pair Champions and was named to the Senior National Team. Other accomplishments during the 2005-2006 season include a second place finish at the 2006 World Cup in Purrs, Belgium, and a first place finish at the 2005 Freedom Cup in Landover, Maryland. Clare and Michael were honored as the Acrobatic Gymnastics Program's Athletes of the Year for the second consecutive year. The Athletes of the Year award is determined by the Program Committee and is given each year to the pair or group that demonstrates exceptional success in competition and is viewed as role models both on and off the competition floor. They also earned the award for "High Score of the Meet" at the 2006 National Championships.

In 2004, Clare, with partner Kristopher Duncan, finished second at the Acrobatic Gymnastics National Championships in Palm Springs, California. The pair also earned a silver medal at the 2004 World Age Group Games in Lievin, France.

In 2002, Clare was a top in a women's pair with Olivia Solo. The women's pair won the silver medal at the 2002 National Championships in New Orleans, Louisiana. Internationally, they brought home a silver medal from the World Age Group Games in Riesa, Germany, and the gold at the Puurs Acro Cup in Belgium.

Clare lives with her parents, Teresa and Bob, brother Alec, sister Janie, and their pets. Her role models are Russian mixed pair, Polina and Andre. When she is finished competing in acro, Clare would like to coach and go to school to become a physical therapist.

## 🔗 Personal Information

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**Began Gymnastics In:** 1998

**Goals:** to become a World Champion and to be able to compete at the Olympic Games

**Grade:** 12th

**Personal Website:**

## 🔗 Interests Outside the Gym

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**Hobbies:** Drawing

**Other Sports Involvement:** Performs at San Diego Zoo and Sea World

## 🔗 National Competition Results

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2006 National Team Trials, St. Paul, Minn.: 1st-AA  
2006 National Championships, Kansas City, Mo.: 1st-AA, DY, BL  
2006 World Team Trials, Crosby, Texas: 1st-AA  
2005 National Team Trials, Indianapolis, Ind.: 1st-AA  
2005 National Championships, Louisville, Ky.: 1st-AA, DY, BL  
2004 National Team Qualifier, Anaheim, Calif.: 2nd-AA  
2004 National Championships, Palm Springs, Calif.: 2nd-AA, DY, BL  
2004 World Team Trials, Crosby, Texas: 1st-AA  
2002 National Championships, New Orleans, La.: 2nd-AA  
2001 National Championships, Dayton, Ohio: 2nd-AA  
1999 National Championships, Phoenix, Ariz.: 2nd-AA

## International Competition Results

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2006 World Championships, Coimbra, Portugal: 3rd-AA  
2006 World Cup, Puurs, Belgium: 2nd-AA  
2006 Flanders International Acro Cup, Puurs, Belgium: 2nd-AA  
2005 Freedom Cup, Landover, Md.: 1st-AA  
2005 World Games, Duisburg, Germany: 4th-AA  
2005 Machuga Cup, Krasnodar, Russia: 1st-AA  
2004 International Age Group Games, Lievin, France: 2nd-AA  
2002 World Age Group Games, Riesa, Germany: 2nd-AA  
2002 Flanders International Acro Cup, Puurs, Belgium: 1st AA  
2001 World Age Group Games, Zielona Gora, Poland: 2nd-AA  
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2000 Flanders International Acro Cup, Puurs, Belgium: 1st-AA

**LEGEND:** **DY** = Dynamic | **BL** = Balance | **AA** = All Around