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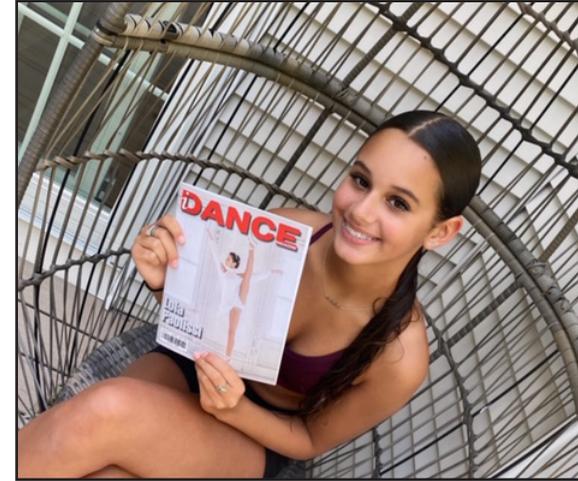
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My name is Aleks Vasileva, 10 years old, from Varna, Bulgaria. I have been dancing ballet since I was 3 years old. I was lucky to come across a teacher like Tsvetalina Nahabedian. It ignited in me even more the desire to deal with this difficult but extremely beautiful art. I have been studying at the "Dobri Hristov" National Art school in Varna for 4 years now, majoring in Classical Ballet. Over the years I have many statements and achievements in local and international competitions.

With my individual performance only in the last year I have won - Two Grand Prix - in Bulgaria and England; eight first places in Bulgaria, England and Russia; five second places in Bulgaria and Russia and three third places in Bulgaria.

My dream is to one day dance on big stages like the Paris Opera, English and Russian opera and other fabulous places. With a lot of work and a lot of work, I think I will be able to touch this magic in ballet.

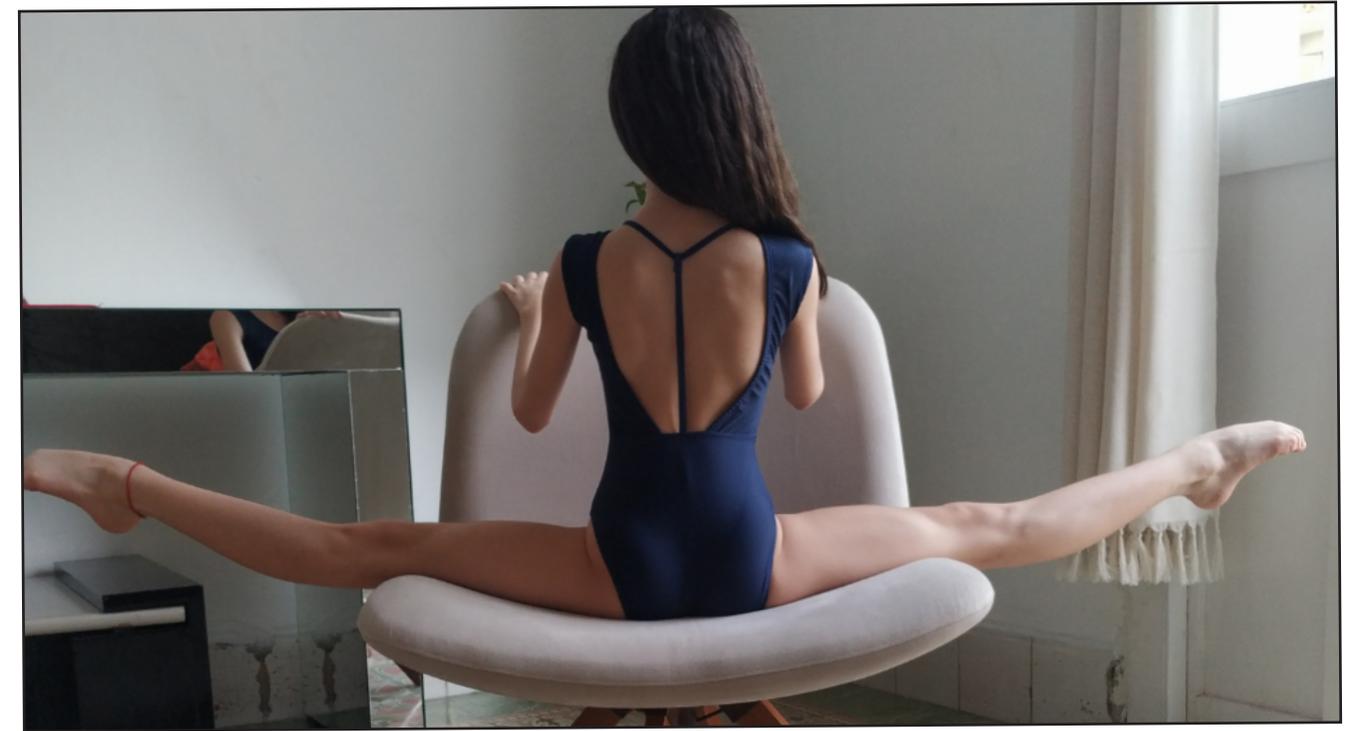
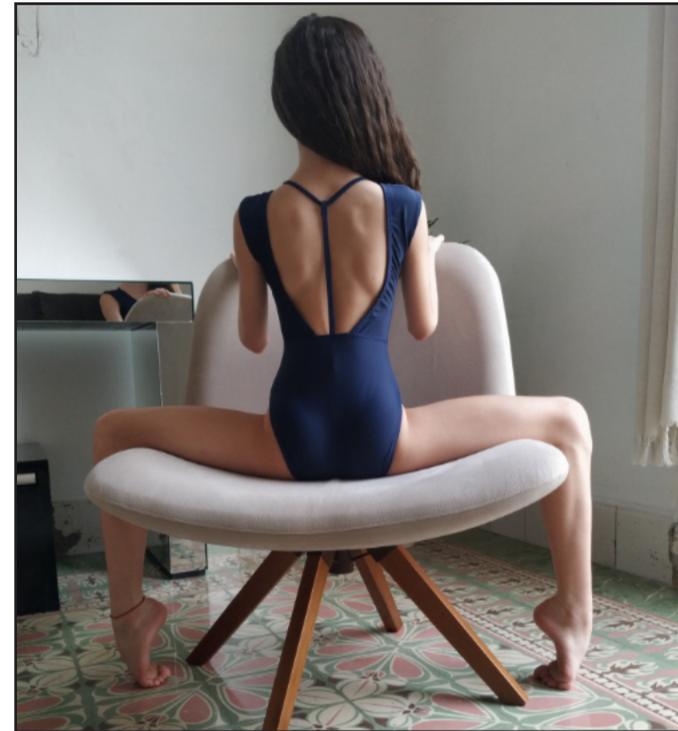
And one day I hope to follow in the footsteps of my amazing teacher Mrs. Nahabedian and pass on everything she has taught me to the little ballerinas who want to pursue their dream just like me.

Every day I can't wait to enter the hall and do what I love the most - to dance.

Ballet is a magic that must be felt with the heart.







When I dance I feel great. I would love to be a professional dancer.

I am in the first grade at the ballet school in Havana, Cuba.

Ballet makes me discover part of my body every day, its language helps me to project my feelings. Its elegance delights me.

I feel a special connection with modern dance, I perceive everyday life through it. When I see Carlos Acosta dancing Romero it is like a dream, but the expressions of him in modern dance I can see and feel that I am there, in that moment.

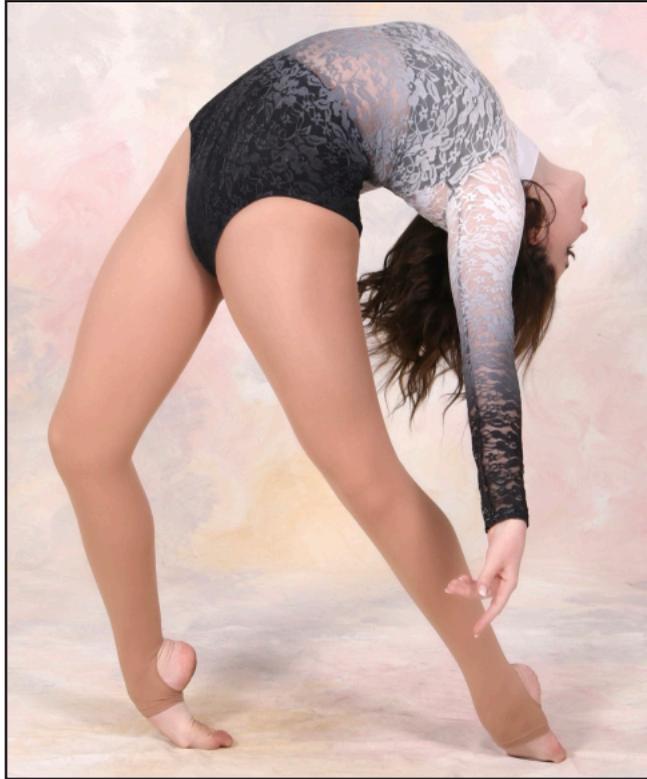
Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, I take the lessons online, which means less contact with my teachers and peers, so at first, measuring progress was a bit difficult to adapt to this new way of learning.

When I was 5 years old, I started training for the ballet school exam. I consider it a privilege to be a student at the ballet school in Havana.

Best, Anyk



# Cameron Leslie



I've been dancing for as long as I can remember and it's always stuck with me as something I truly do love. Over past recent years, I have made many accomplishments, and goals that mean so much to me, such as numerous first placements at competitions, opportunities to work with amazing choreographers, title wins, and so much more. Along with these amazing things, I've also gone through many recent challenges in my dance life. Just recently, I began a new journey

at a new studio, after leaving mine of 11 years, after many realizations of negativity that lived there. It's hard starting a new thing after you get so used to usual patterns, but I am continuing to persevere and realize how much farther I will continue to grow in the new positive setting. After almost losing my love for dance, I have finally been able to gain it back and for that I am so thankful.

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# Christopher Sfreddo



My name is Christopher Sfreddo and I am 6 years old. I have been dancing since I was old enough to walk. I am on the competition team at Milford Performing Arts Center in Milford, CT. My favorite styles of dance are Hip Hop, Tap and Musical Theater.

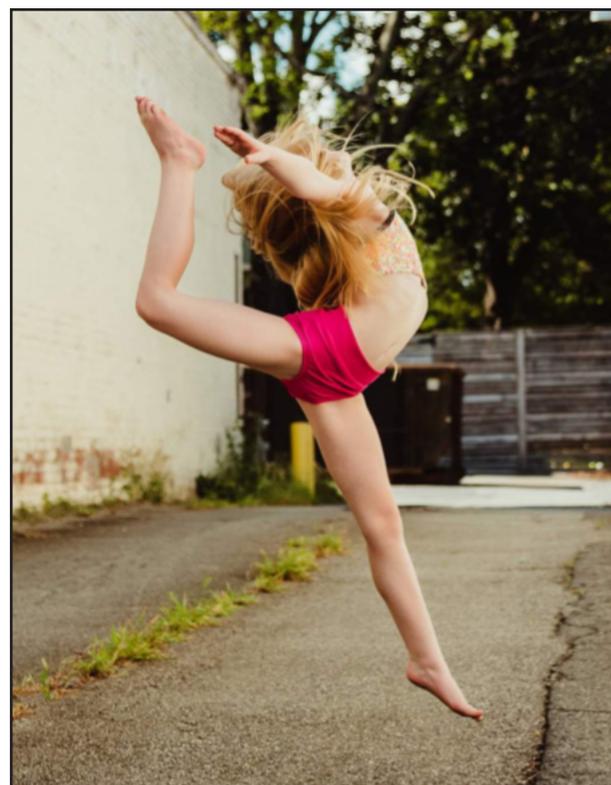
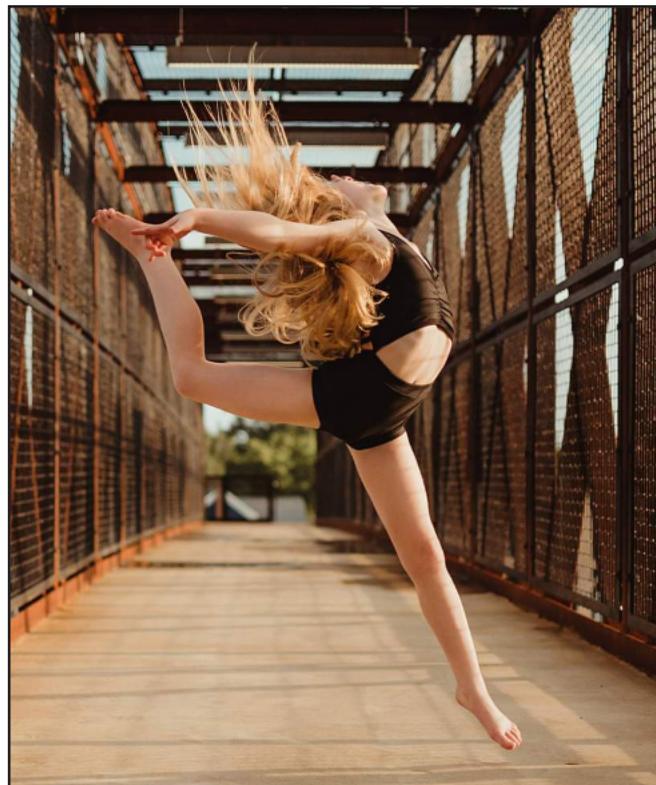
I have won overall high score awards for

photogenic, tap and jazz including Overall Highest Scoring Novice Duo at my first competition! I also enjoy singing musical theater songs with my duo partner and would love to be on Broadway someday!

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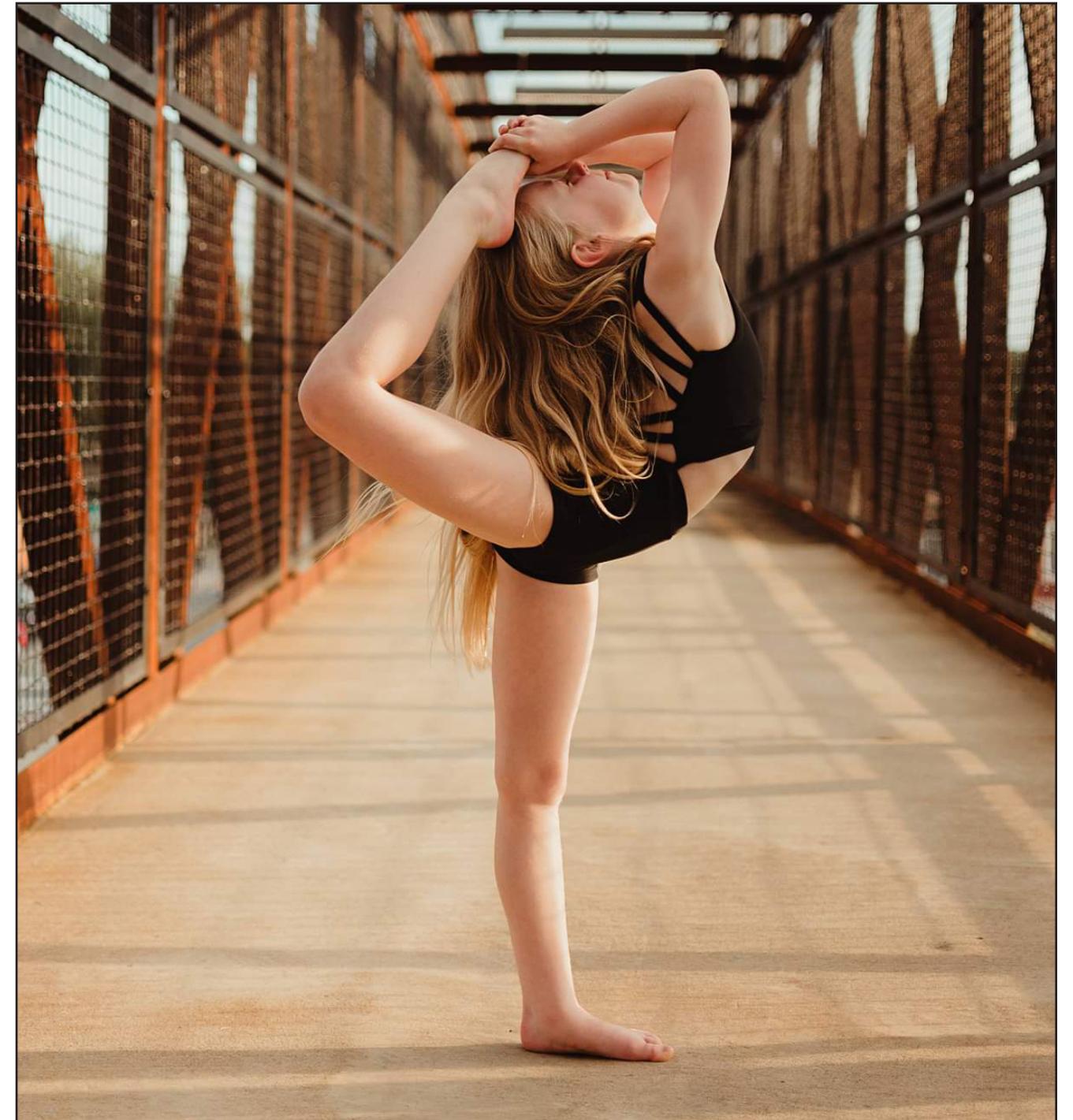
# Devin Stewart



Dance is my passion and a extension of who I am. I have been dancing since I was two. Ballet is my favorite but I love all genres of Dance. When I grow up I want to be a dance teacher

and dance in the Nutcracker.

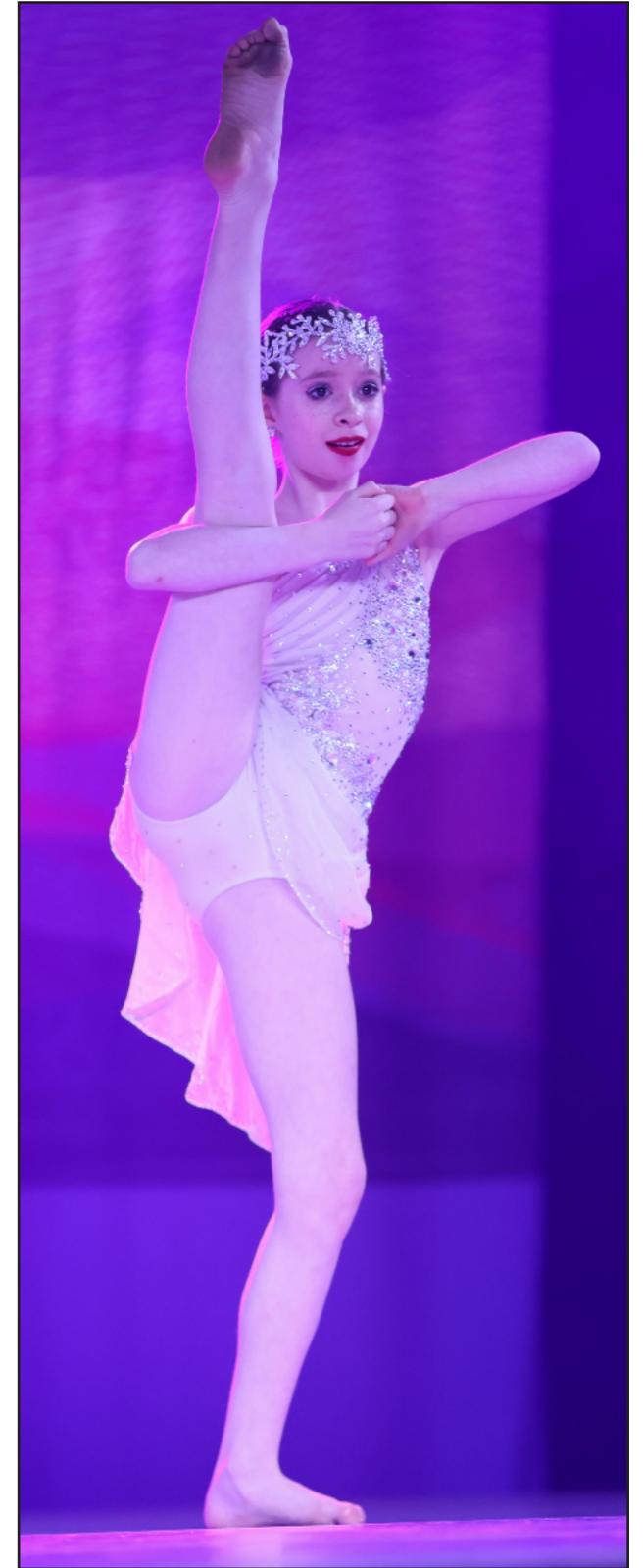
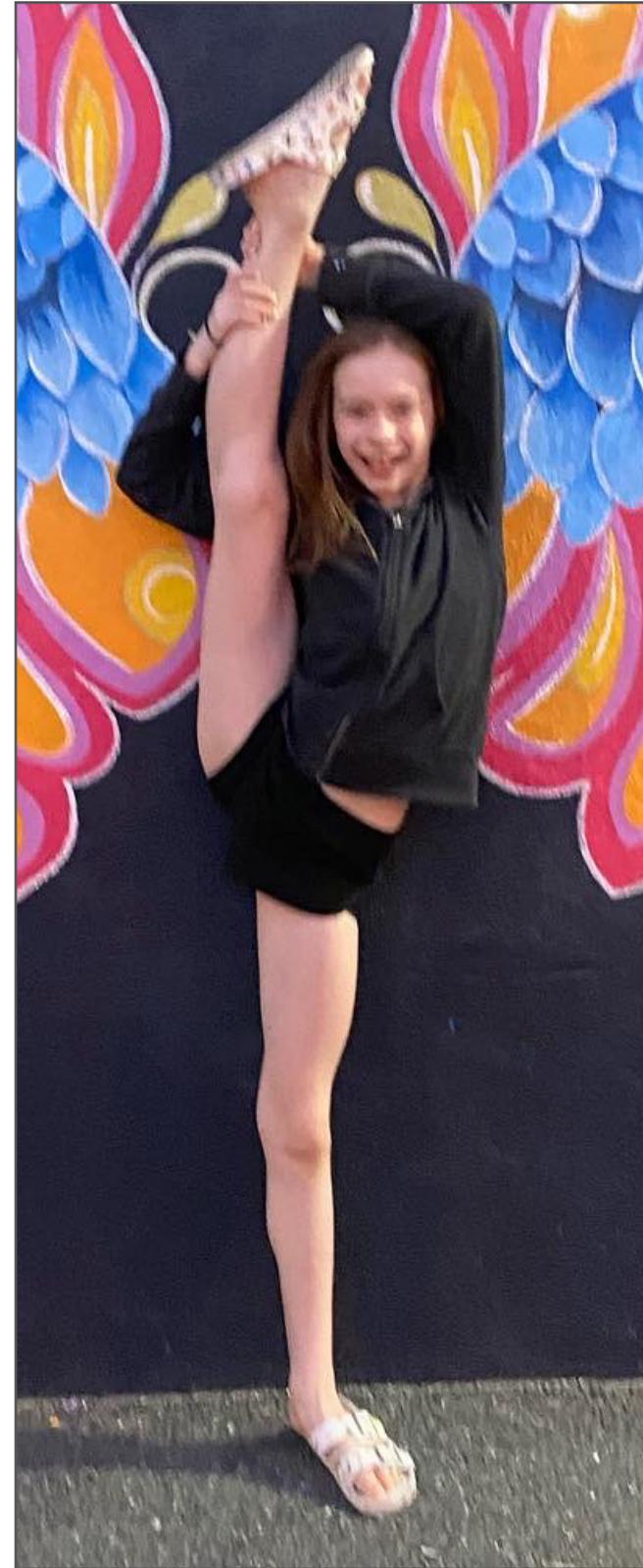
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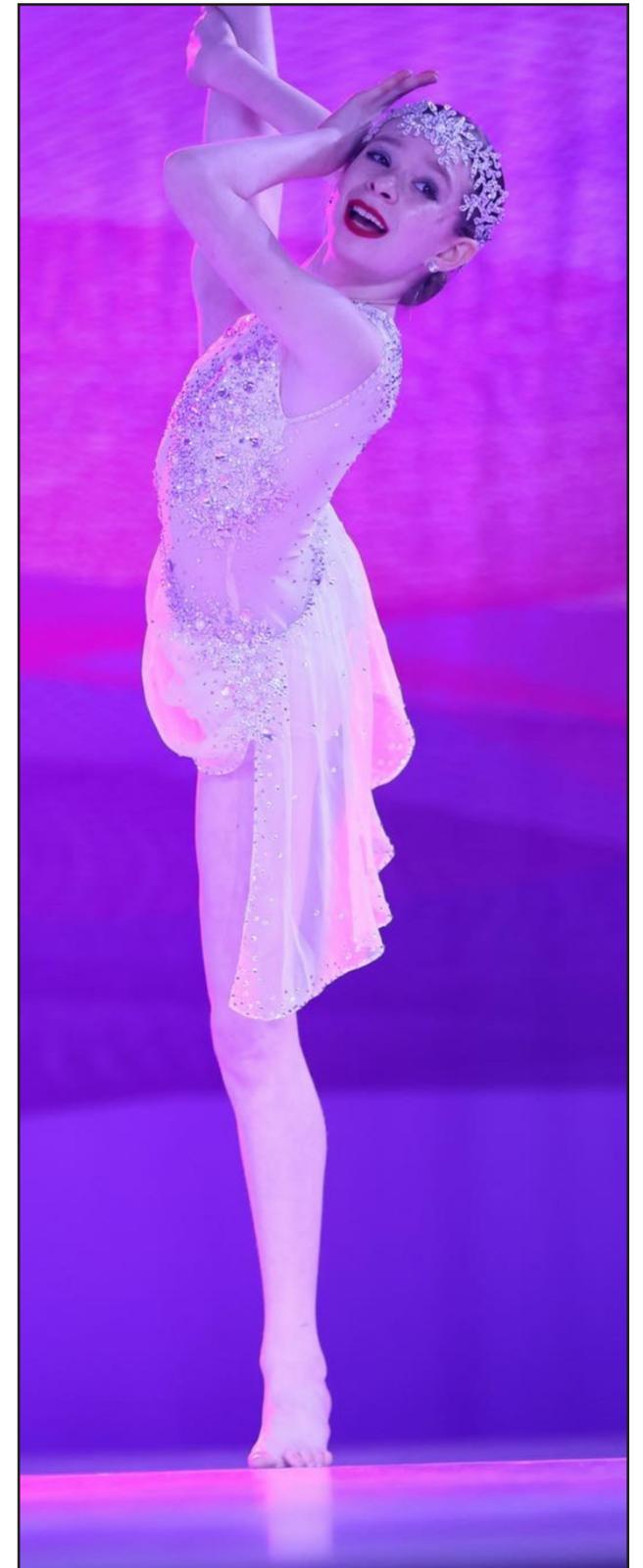


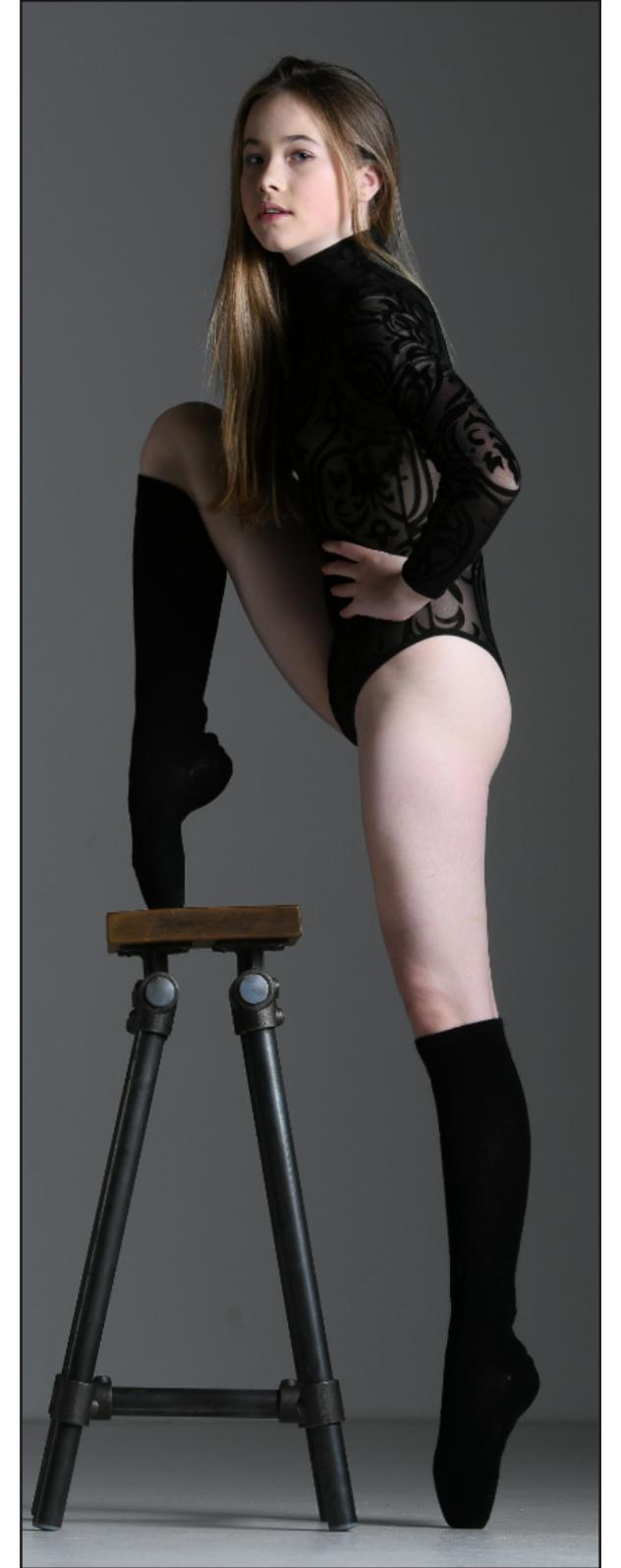
# Devyn Paige Cloonan

Stacy Cloonan Hollywood  
Photo Shoot. PerfPix

Photographers Credits:  
Stacy Cloonan









Hi, I am Elise from the UK, my first love is dance and I have been dancing for over 8 years. I train in Ballet, Tap, Modern and Street, I have been in many dance shows over the years and I continue to do so. I will be dancing in Disneyland Paris in 2022 as part of a team from my dance school, something I am really excited about. I have also been modeling for just over a year, after my first shoot I enjoyed it so much I continued to more. I like to try out different styles including Fashion, swimwear

and dance and I have a good variety on my Instagram page.

My dream is to continue what I'm doing with dance and modeling and enjoy all my experiences along the way.

Who knows what the future holds!

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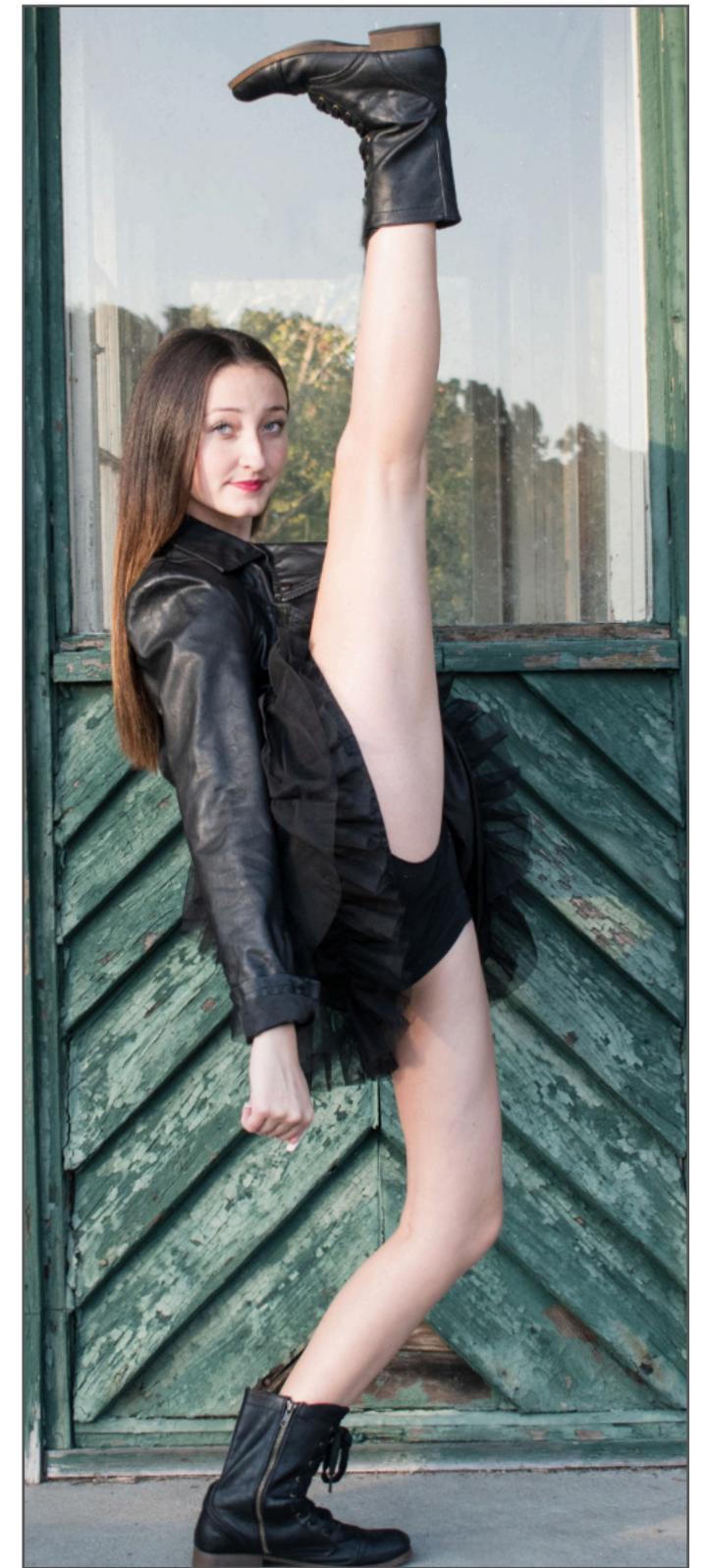
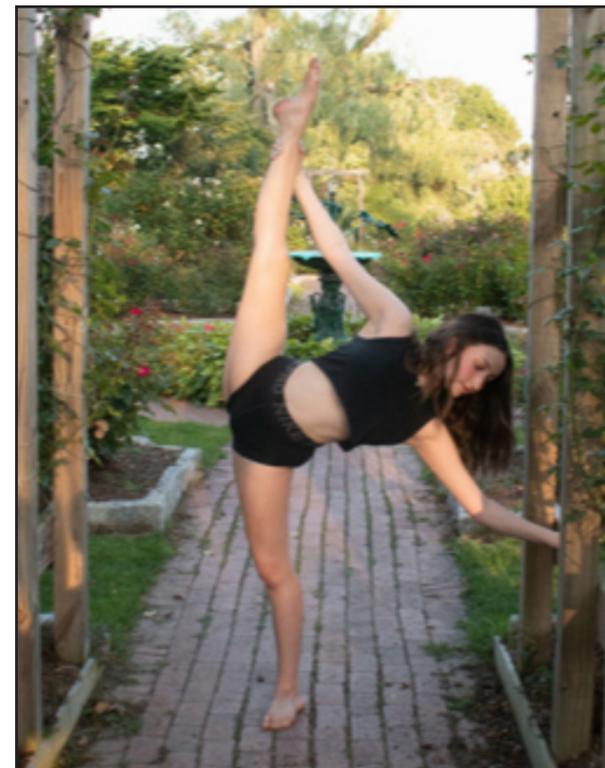




# Giselle Viktoria Goldbach



My name is Giselle Viktoria Goldbach. I am 15 years old and have been dancing since I could walk. Dance has had a positive influence on my life because it has taught me more than just "steps". It has given me self confidence and taught me about teamwork. Going to dance class gives me a safe place to share my passion with people that have the same interests as me. It has taught me how to be flexible in the literal sense but also as a person. Especially during the pandemic, we learned how to keep the sense of community going and how to continue to share our passion together via Zoom and other ways. I want to use dance to inspire people to overcome any obstacles they may have. Dancers can face many challenges but find a way to overcome them, especially during the pandemic. If people see that it will inspire them to overcome their obstacles too. Dance unites people. Even if we cannot speak through verbal communication, we can most likely communicate through the movement of dance. Now, more than ever, we need to unite in our communities.





The Legend of Zorro is famous for feats of swordsmanship and cunning. However, it has inspired one little girl to dance. Heidi Ramsey's interest in flamenco began as a little girl while she watched her favorite television series, Zorro, starring Guy Williams. While simultaneously pursuing martial arts, piano, fencing, and Spanish guitar, Heidi has become ensconced in the beauty and passion of flamenco. She loves the gorgeous flamenco dresses, the shoes, the fun times, and the sweaty workouts. Another beautiful aspect of her flamenco training is the close relationship she has formed with her Romanian instructor, Lucia Andronescu. Lucia has studied and trained throughout Europe and the United States. She has a deep desire for passing on her knowledge to preserve flamenco for the next generation. Her dedication coupled with Heidi's willingness to learn and enthusiasm

for flamenco has created a wonderful partnership. Heidi completed Level I class in three months and was able to perform in a recital within the first year of study, half the time it took her other class mates. She would love to one day be qualified enough to teach flamenco.

Heidi hopes to someday attend flamenco workshops and travel to Spain to study abroad. When she graduates high school, she plans to attend college and major in biology. To study science and the arts together may be rare, and meshing a heavy academic schedule with her love of dance will be a challenge, but someday in her own studio, she will keep the history and passion of flamenco alive and pass it to the next generation.

Photographers Credits: Lara Ramsey



## Young Kingsman

Jeremiah Moga is a vibrant, loving, and amazing young man that had a rough start when entering the school system. At the age of 5 the school and his mother noticed a learning disability. He lacked self confidence and withdrew. He didn't play with other children, he found things to occupy himself and therefore played alone. Children can be cruel, and they were bullying Jeremiah at school. His mother Rhonda Moga started to see things in him that she struggled with as a child. Rhonda was determined not to be an absent parent or to leave those memories of her as a mother with Jeremiah. She became the advocate and protector for her son. This led her to start Young Kingsman. She would use the brand to help Jeremiah build up his confidence, not only in himself, but in God who loves and cares for His creation! Jeremiah was also put into modeling classes. There he could let go and have fun knowing he was doing something great, despite his learning disability. This is where he found that he can

be great at anything he put his effort into. The confidence it has given him pours over into the lives of other children! He wants his peers to know that even when the world brings trials and you may fall back, God is there to catch you. People may develop their own perception about you, but God sees you in a completely different way. He loves and cares for you despite any challenges you have to overcome! Jeremiah says that even if you have a disability, it doesn't keep you from striving for your goals and dreams and it can never determine your outcome or who you become! Jeremiah wants to be an inspiration to children all over the world. Letting them know they can be anything and accomplish anything despite their disabilities. Jeremiah has been to LA and New York Fashion week with Styles in designs by Miranda. He also takes dance and modeling class at a NG Dance company. This year his dance team place 2nd at regional dance competition.

Photographers Credits: Rhonda Moga





Since I was 6, I have always dreamed that I will dance with the company, Paris Opera Ballet and earn the position of being a prima ballerina. Before I get there, my goal is to experience many intensive programs to learn everything I can about ballet, along with my classes at Studio 702 and my mentor Miss Suzanne Swanson. My biggest challenge is getting all the details of a combination right the first time. At age 9, it still takes me 4-5

times to master the details, I am working to get it on the second try. I was fortunate to be awarded scholarships at both National Radix and The Dance Awards in 2021, although, my greatest personal achievement to date was earning my pointe shoes.

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Krisztina has been dancing for 8 years. Her Dance Studio for the past 5 years has been Regan Mason Haley Dance Company in Virginia. Her favorite style is contemporary. She loves to compete and take master classes at conventions such as NRG, Nuvo, Dancemakers, Revel, Jump etc. This past summer she also competed at the Dance Awards for Teen Dancer of the Year title.

She was awarded to be an Ambassador at her dance center, at dmp11c123 and at Zenmarkt. She also was able to participate in many photoshoots this season as well. Krisztina's dream is to be an ambassador for dancehopeure and help bring awareness to childhood cancer.

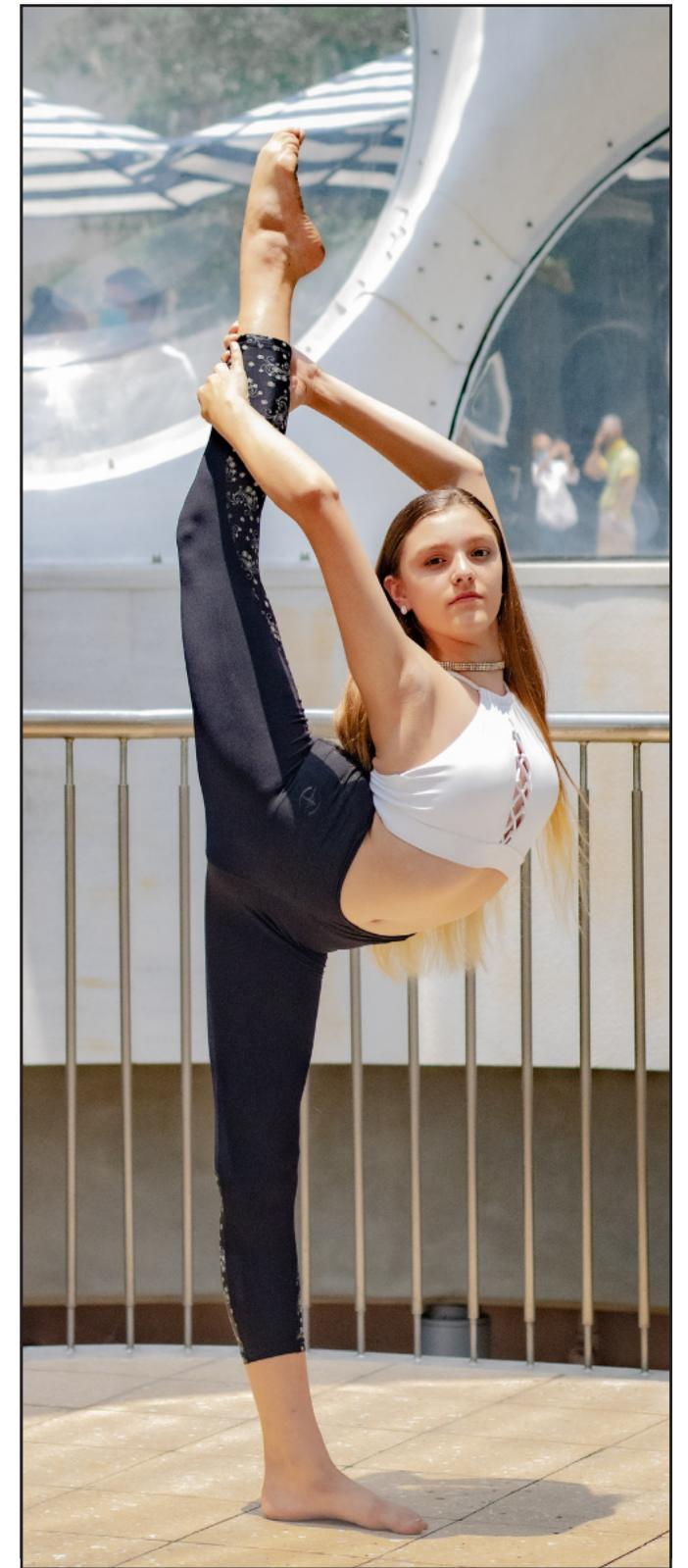
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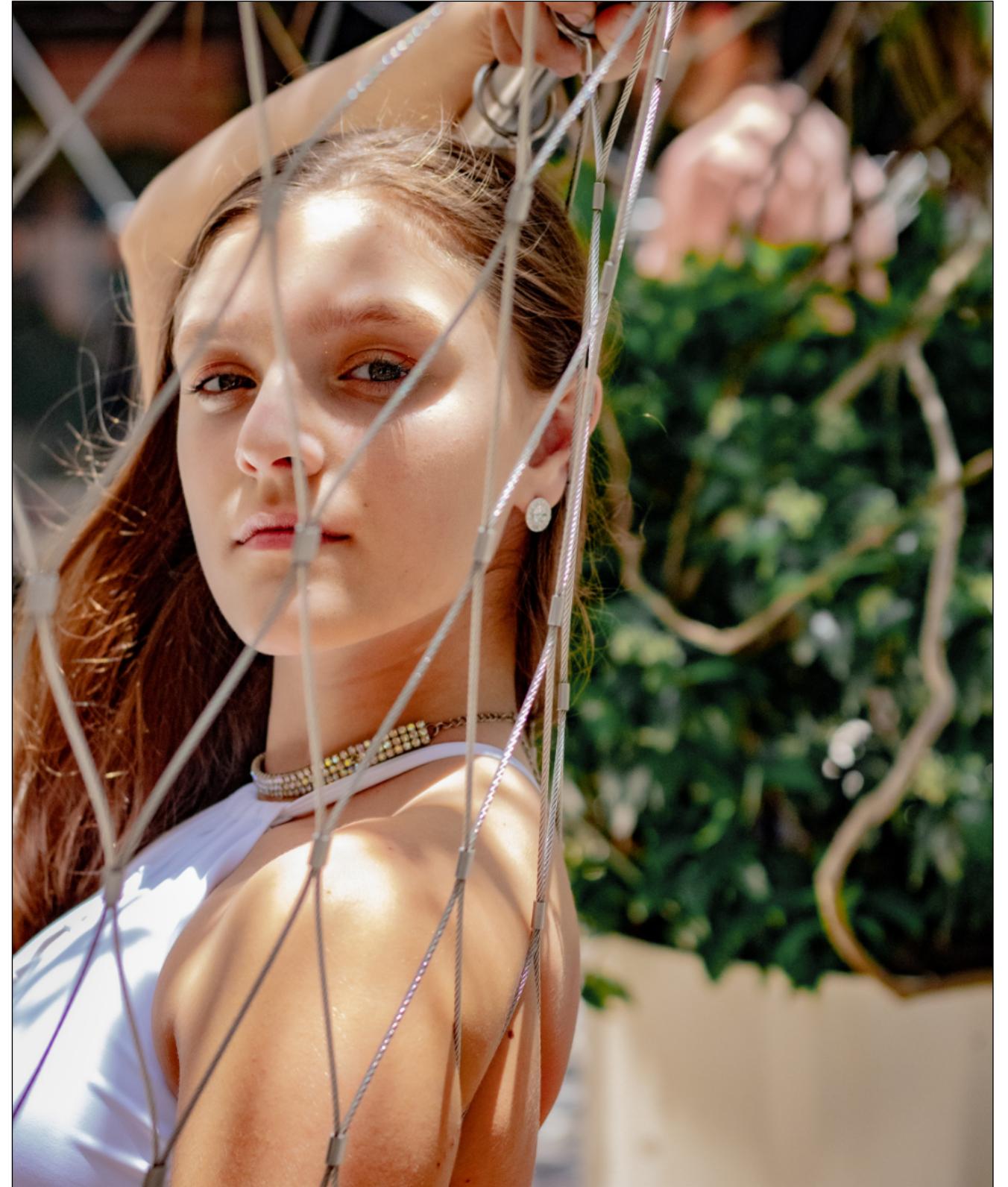


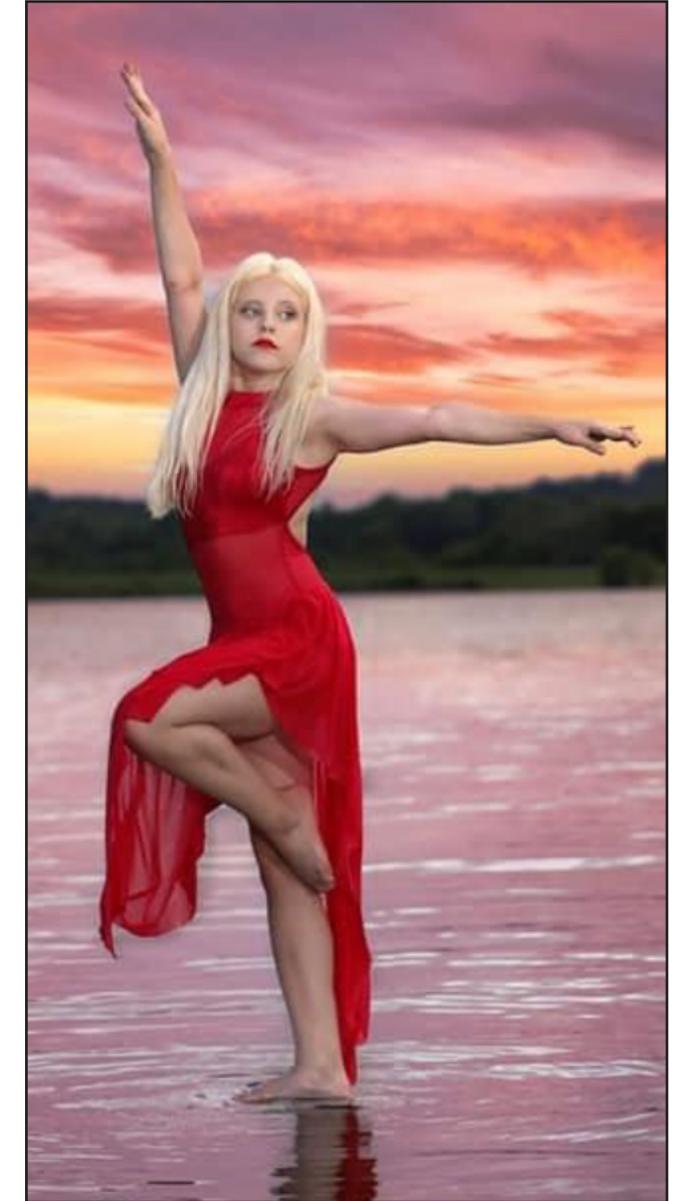


My name is Leah I am 14 years old I have been dancing since I was 2 years old and have been a competitive dancer for four years. My favorite styles of dance are contemporary, jazz, and acro. My dream is to become a professional dancer. One day I would love to open a dance studio of my own. My challenges include staying focused and competing after our house burned and losing my cat but I worked thru it and got 3<sup>rd</sup> place in a national competition. Currently, I am working on getting my front aerial and backhand spring. My favorite thing about competing is the friendships you make.

Photographers Credits: @visualurgefl







My Name is Madison Skinkis and I'm from Blainsburgh Pa . I'm 13 years old My dream is to one day own my own studio after I explore being a famous dancer . I would like to follow in my role models footsteps (Payton Fertal ) and teach and choreography dances . I love dancing and spend most of my days in classes at my Studio The Amber Terreta Dance Company . I've won numerous titles and awards. Our competition team has danced the halftime show for the Harlem Globe Trotters . We have also danced at Worlds in NYC and

won fifth over all in the world for a small group 12 and Under . I won 12 and under advanced solo nationals at Rising Star in 2020. I have worked with some famous choreographers . I'm blessed to have a supportive family who encourages me too reach for the stars and dance instructors who push me too be the best I can be .

Photographers Credits: Contemporary Photography



I love to dance and modeling. I dream one day of being in a magazine like seventeen, vogue or sports illustrated. I also dream of going to the Olympics for dance and teaching dance to children when I'm older. I have done really well last season in dance competitions and I really hope to do well this year. I look forward to being on stage with my dance sisters.

Photographers Credits: Jaze company

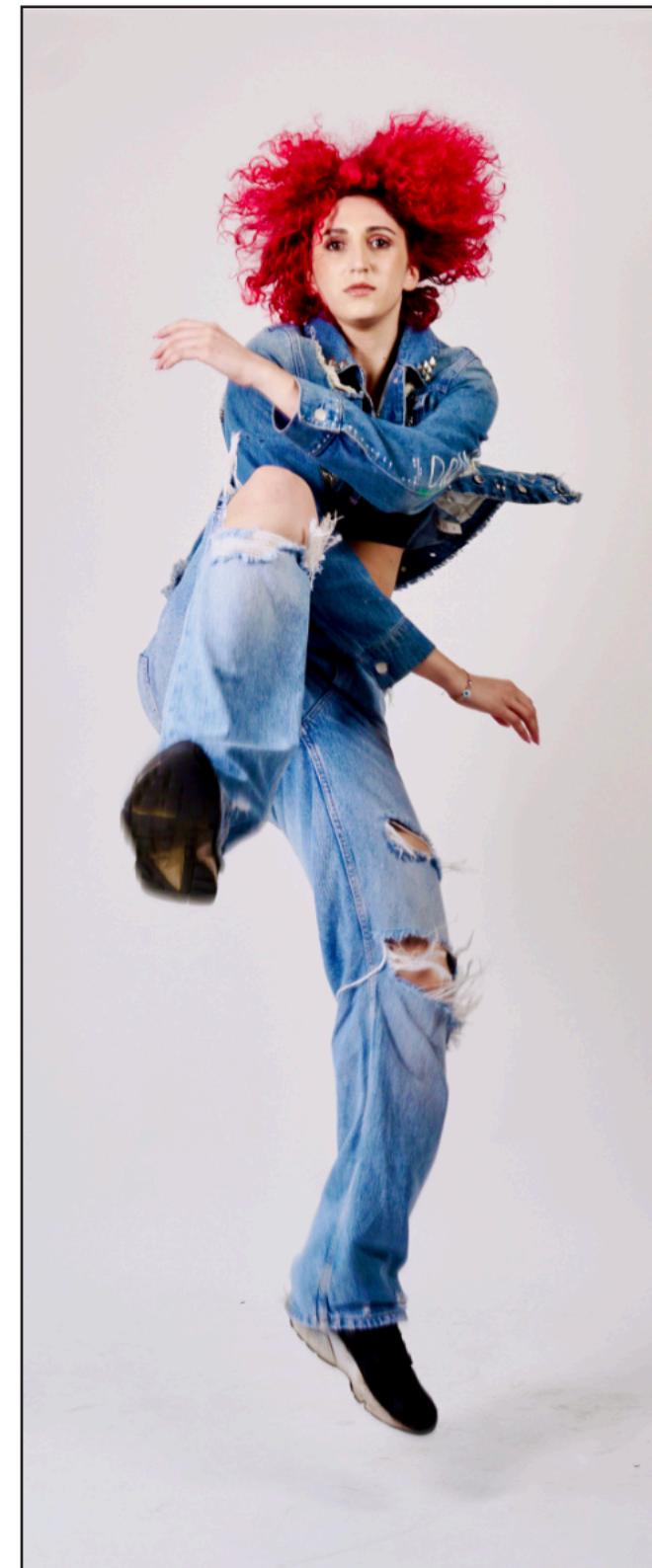
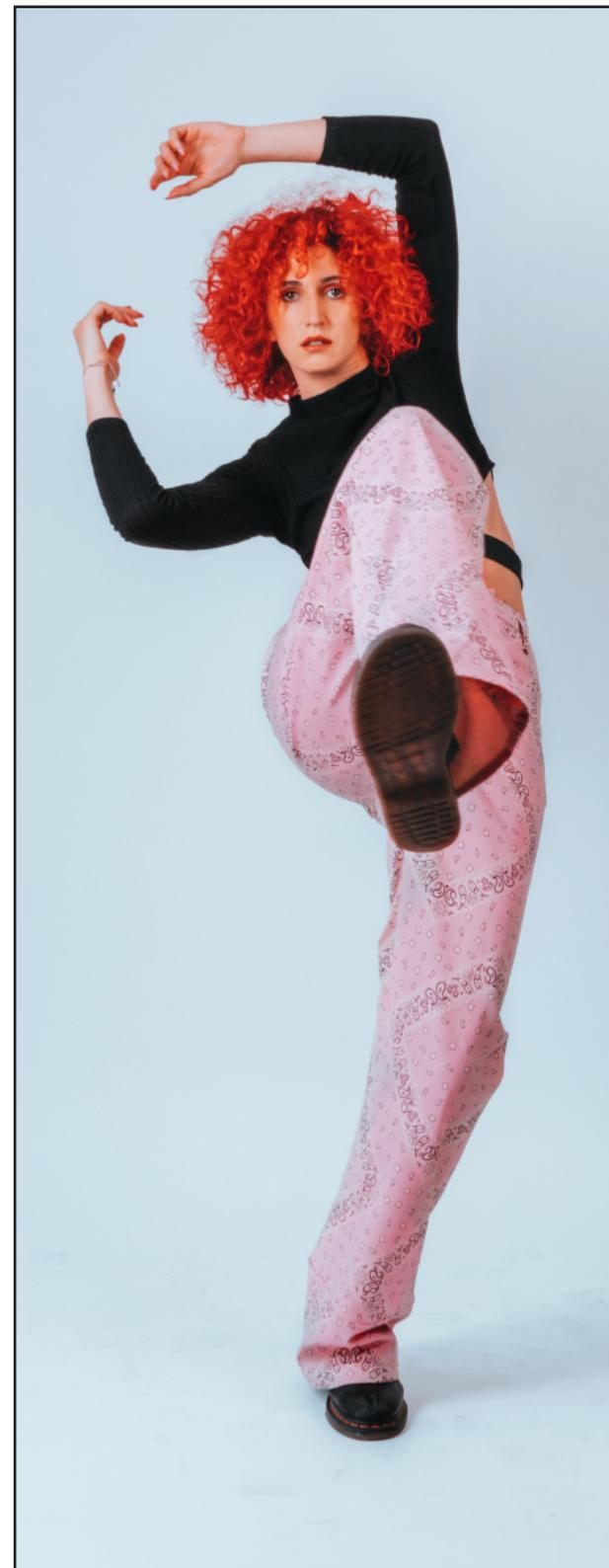




Il mio nome è Mary, sono Pugliese e da 5 anni vivo a New York. Mai avrei pensato che la mia passione per la Danza mi avrebbe portato oltre oceano con l'obiettivo di migliorare e crescere artisticamente come ballerina, lavorare per video musicali, pubblicità e concerti e diventare una coreografa e insegnante. I primi anni nella grande mela non sono stati semplici. Dovevo apprendere una nuova lingua e trovare il modo di inserirmi nel Mondo della "Dance industry". Un passo alla volta, tanta voglia di lavorare sodo e soprattutto tanta positività dopo cinque anni, anzi tre, considerando che il COVID ci ha

bloccato per 2 anni, ho ballato per Artisti come Lil Uzi Vert, aperto un portale dove le persone possono prenotare lezioni di danza con me, @svamps\_studio, insegno per la Marc Morris Dance Group in Brooklyn, e a breve farò parte del corpo insegnati di @sassclassnyc. Ho ancora un paio di obiettivi da spuntare dalla lista dei sogni che non vedo l'ora di realizzare. Il consiglio che posso dare è non avere fretta, ogni giorno fai un passo verso i tuoi obiettivi, credi nel tuo talento e ciò che è tuo si presenterà al momento giusto.

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Mileyka Mateo is a Puerto Rican versatile woman of color and dancer that has achieved many of her dreams. She was selected to perform in her first Broadway show "West Side Story" in 2009 at the age of 18. She continued her career with Ballet company "Ballet Hispanico" for a few seasons. She has performed with many artists including Shakira & Jennifer Lopez at the Super Bowl Halftime

performance in 2020. She has also been lucky enough to be an NBA Dancer with the Orlando Magic for 2 seasons. She continues to strive forward and intends to pave the way for ethnic Latinas who have similar dreams ! Si Se Puede !!!

Photographers Credits: "Stephon Williams"  
"Margie Beliz"







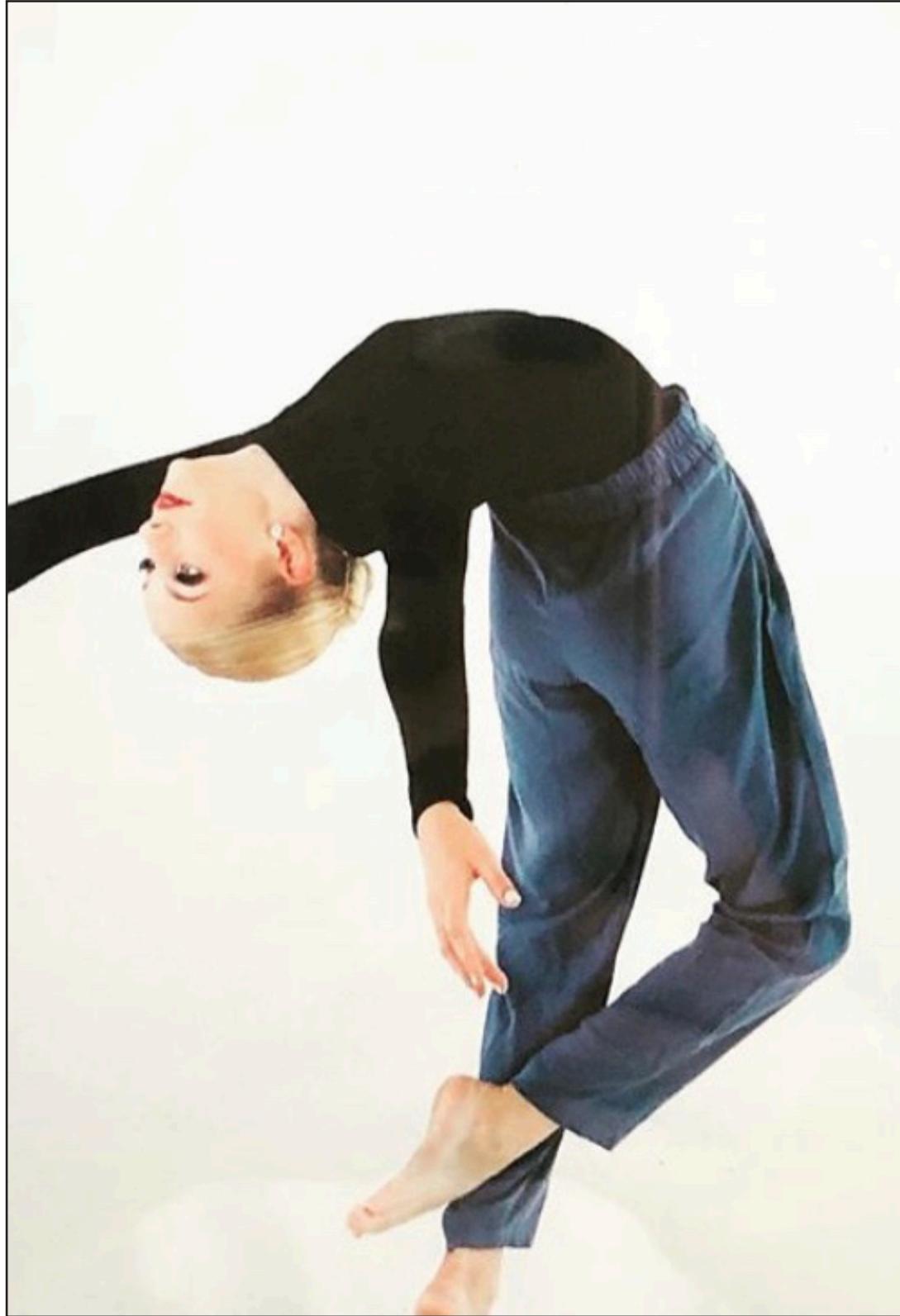


My dream is to be a life coach when I am older and to teach dance. My goals to achieve are good grades and to get into a good college. Some of my achievements are settling into a new place after moving and becoming a more

well rounded dancer. A challenge I face is fitting in well with some people that I don't know very well

Photographers Credits: The Field gallery









I enjoy dancing, it's a way to express yourself.

Also I love doing catwalks and walking for designers. I would just like to continue enjoying these hobbies and having fun. Carry on and see where it takes me.

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