



LERATO IVANA RAGONTSE

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Summary

Passionate Dancer with 6 years of experience performing solo and ensemble pieces with highly talented dance groups. Confident and driven dancer with exceptional flexibility and endurance. Comfortable with competitive and high pressure environments. Current NYU Tisch Dance student.

Skills

- Preparation for Competition and Performance pieces
- Classical ballet, Contemporary, Jazz, Modern, Improvisation, Pointe, Lyrical, Gymnastics Training, Choreography

Experience

NYU Tisch Dance Student - Current

- TDW 5 - Self choreographed Solo - Captured then Released

TV Dance Feature

- Savage the Series Season 1 - Featured Dancer

Mid Atlantic Center For The Performing Arts
| BALTIMORE, MD

Pre-Professional Dancer

09/2014 - 2020

- Pre-Professional Dancer with 5 years pre-professional study and competition at the Mid Atlantic Center for the Performing Arts. Strong improvisation, contemporary, Jazz and ballet. Multiple roles in Full length Nutcracker including, Snow Queen, Arabian, Harlequin Doll and Corps. Mid Atlantic Center for the Performing Arts has been awarded Outstanding School by YAGP, Choreography and Ensemble pieces.
- Competed at YAGP, UBC, WBAC, ADA, NYCDA, RADIX, 24/SEVEN, NUVO etc. Placed 3rd for Contemporary soloist YAGP, 1st for Contemporary soloist UBC, 2nd Contemporary soloist WBAC, 1st overall soloist 24/Seven and more
- Worked closely with choreographers to perfect performance of dance moves. Including Mr Scott Fowler and Meghan McHale

Scholarships and Intensives

- Pennsylvania Ballet Full Scholarship 2020
- Ballet West 2020 invitation
- Peridance Blueprint intensive Scholarship 2019
- New York Dance Project 2019
- Joffrey Ballet Full Tuition Scholarship 2019
- Acceptance into Bolshoi Ballet Summer intensive 2017, 2018 and 2019
- Private Invitation to Protege Dance NYC and Canada 2019
- Invitational to Duncan Cooper Winter Workshop St Petersburg 2019
- Brian Friedman, The Main Event in LA Intensive Scholarship 2019
- Steps on Broadway Scholarship 2018
- NYCDA Intensive Scholarship 2018
- Master Ballet Academy, Arizona Summer Intensive 2018

Accomplishments

- Russian Pointe Artist 2021
- Ballet in the City Ambassador 2019
- Team up for One – assisting disabled children in sport 2019
- Finalist for PBS/MPT TV Show - Celebration of music 2018
- Russian Pointe Ambassador 2018
- Covalent Activewear model 2017/18
- Botswana Youth Magazine 2018
- Midweek Sun Newspaper in Botswana featured story 2018
- Our mother/daughter Dance Photo Series – Portrait of a Dancer was featured in a blog called Cool Progeny in 2017, Brown Girls Do Ballet, Vogue Italia online, and Botswana Youth Magazine.
- Invitation to Compete as team USA in Wetzler Germany 2016
- Iviva Ambassador 2016
- Botswana Youth Magazine wrote an article about my dance experience in 2015. This was very special, as I am told, it inspired girls in Botswana to at least consider dance as a medium for expression or career!