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## PERSONAL INFORMATION

*Height:* 167cm

*Hair:* Dark brown

*Eyes:* Dark brown

## COMPANY EXPERIENCE

### TUI Magic Life Fuerteventura

Dancer and Fitness Instructor

March 2022 - present

### Drum Dance Women Company

Trainee

November 2021 - February 2022

### Good Time Entertainment

Animator/Entertainer/Dancer

July 2021- November 2021

### Marie-Christine Giordano Dance

Apprentice and Associate Video Artist

2020 – present

## PERFORMANCE EXPERIENCE

Show	Date	Role/Piece	Choreographer	Location
<i>Collections of Memories</i>	2022	Show Dancer	TUI Magic Life	Fuerteventura
<i>Africa Fusion Show</i>	2022	Show Dancer	TUI Magic Life	Fuerteventura
<i>Extravaganza</i>	2022	Show Dancer	TUI Magic Life	Fuerteventura
<i>Finding Dreamland</i>	2022	Show Dancer	TUI Magic Life	Fuerteventura
<i>Michael Jackson Tribute Show</i>	2021	Ensemble Dancer	Good Time Entertainment	Rodos, Greece
<i>The Reckoning: Why We Vote</i>	2020	“Society Sees Me As...”	Zachary Frazee and dancers, <i>Frazee Feet Dance</i>	Rochester, NY
<i>The Pursuit **</i>	2020	“Fast Forward”	Alexa Lindberg, <i>Rubix Dance Collective</i>	New York, NY
<i>RAW Showcase: STELLAR</i>	2019	“Surrender”	Katie Binder, <i>WellBeing Dance</i>	Queens, NY
<i>Head &amp; Company Fall Showcase</i>	2019	“JANGALA”	Mamiko Nakatsugawa	Brooklyn, NY
<i>Elmwood Arts Festival</i>	2019	“Forward”	Abigail Donegan, <i>Donegan Dance Exploration</i>	Buffalo, NY
<i>Fredonia Dance Ensemble</i>	2019	“Precipice”	Jason Ohlberg	Fredonia, NY
		“They Are Me” (soloist)	Paula J Peters	
		“Gioco Barocco”	Angelika Summerton	
	2018	“Unburying Certitude”	Paula J Peters	

		“With Alligators in the Bayou - You Water Ski Real Good”	Randy James	
		“Breathlessly the Sight”	Sam Kenney/Cast	
	2017	“Leaving”	Sam Kenney	
		“It’s a Jungle Out There”	Helen Myers	
	2016	“On The Streets”	Ann Gavit, Debra Knapp	
		“Pas de Deux a Trois”	Angelika Summerton	
<i>Metamorphosis: BFA Senior Recitals</i>	2019	“A Mirrored Path Leads Me” (soloist)	Zachary Frazee	Fredonia, NY
		“Searching Within”	Josh Ambrose	
<i>Merrins Chamber Series</i>	2018	“Spoke” (soloist)	Sam Kenney	Fredonia, NY
		“order, ?, turbulence, shift, return= $\Delta$ ”	Bliss Kohlmyer	
<i>Fringe Festival</i>	2018	“The Painter”	Corinne Fallone	Rochester, NY
		“Elemental Enormity”	Erin DeLucia-Benson, <i>DeLucia Benson Dance</i>	
<i>SUNY Impact Foundation Inauguration Dinner</i>	2018	“Just Because”	Paula J Peters	New York, NY
<i>BFA Senior Recitals</i>	2018	“Perception or Intention”	Rachel Prikazsky	Fredonia, NY
	2017	“Synthesis”	Ilana Lieberman	
<i>Jazz Dance in America</i>	2017	“Current Times”	Paula J Peters	Fredonia, NY
		“60s/70s”		
		“30s/40s”		
<i>Full Circle: Orchesis Fall Show</i>	2016	“Flirting With Narcissism”	Tess Grovesnor	Fredonia, NY
		“Land of the Free, Home of the Brave”	J. Stefan Uveges	

\*\*postponed due to COVID-19

## OTHER

Project Name	Project Type	Date	Role	Choreographer	Location
<i>What’s On Your Mind</i>	virtual project	2021	Dancer	Rachel Levitt, <i>Dance : Corps</i>	Online
<i>Citizen of the World</i>	virtual project	2021	Dancer, Editor	Marie-Christine Giordano	Online
<i>Superfly</i>	short film	2019	Dancer	Sydney Jennings	New York, NY
<i>SUNY Educational Promo</i>	promo video	2019	Extra	n/a	New York, NY
<i>I Loved You As My Friend</i>	music video	2019	Dancer	Winston Dynamite Brown	New York, NY
<i>Audio Trip Flash Mob</i>	Ad campaign	2019	Dancer	n/a	New York NY
<i>Lucid Intoxication</i>	short film	2019	Director, Choreographer, Dancer, Editor	Vanessa Raffaele	Fredonia, NY

## DANCE TRAINING

<b>Peridance Center – International Dance School: Dance Studies Program</b>	2019 – 2020
Instructors: Steven Blandino, Igal Perry, Vivake Khamsingsavath, Elisabetta Minutoli, Brice Mousset, Laura Bernasconi, Guanglei Hui, Billy Blanken	
<b>Fredonia State University – BFA Dance</b>	2015 – 2019
Professors: Paula J Peters, Sam Kenney, Angelika Summerton, Helen Myers, Angela Di Fiore, Terri Beck	
<b>Ballet Prestige</b>	2013 – 2015
Instructors: Katherine Johnson, Julianne Deming, Janet Wentling, Zachary Frazee Classes: Ballet, Pointe, Contemporary	
<b>Hochstein School of Music and Dance</b>	2012 – 2013
Instructors: Diane Lewis, Christopher Morrison Classes: Ballet, Pointe, Modern	
<b>Croatian National Theater “Ivan Zajc” (Croatia)</b>	2004 – 2006
Instructors: Oksana Brandibura Classes: Ballet, Pointe	
<b>Dance Club (Italy)</b>	2000 – 2012
Instructors: Eliana Oriano Classes: Ballet, Jazz	

## INTENSIVES, WORKSHOPS AND MASTER CLASSES

### American College Dance Association (ACDA)

**2019 North-East Conference:** SUNY Brockport, Brockport NY

Performer: “Searching Within” - Josh Ambrose

**2018 North-East Conference:** Montclair State University, Montclair NJ

Performer: “Unburying Certitude” - Paula J Peters, “Perception or Intention” - Rachel Prikazsky

**2017 East-Central Conference:** Kent State University, Kent OH

Performer: “Synthesis” - Ilana Lieberman

**2016 East-Central Conference:** Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo MI

Understudy: “Orion I” - Sam Kenney

<b>Arch Contemporary Ballet, Summer Intensive</b>	2018
<b>Broadway Dance Center, Summer Intensive</b>	2018
Sheila Barker, Karla Puno Garcia, Michael Cusumano, Stacie Webster	
<b>Callan Bergmann, Richard Hinds, Betsy Struxness (Musical Theater)</b>	2018
<b>Catherine Cabeen (Contemporary), James Levy (Hip-hop), 10 Hairy Legs, Randy James</b>	2017
<b>Lehrer Dance, Jon Lehrer</b>	2015-2018
<b>Joffrey Ballet School, NYC Ballet Intensive</b>	2016
<b>Point Park University, International Summer Dance</b>	2016
Susan Stowe, Ben Belhumeur, Kiki Lucas, Keleigh Williams	
<b>Taylor II, Ruth Andrien</b>	2016
<b>Rochester Broadway Theater League, Summer Stars</b>	2012
Nikki Snelson, David Raimo, Jessica Dillan	

## TEACHING

<b>Marie-Christine Giordano Dance</b>	2021 - present
Job: Public Schools Outreach Program Assistant	

Class: stretching/movement exploration

**House of the Roses**

2019 - 2022

Job: Teacher Assistant (Volunteer)

Class: after school movement class

**Eclectic Dance Company**

2018

Job: Guest Teacher

Classes: Junior ballet, Senior baller, Pointe

**SPECIAL SKILLS**

**Fredonia State University – BS Video Production (Film Concentration)**

2015 – 2019

Experience with singing and playing the piano

Pointe work

Web Design, photography, videography, video editing

**LANGUAGES**

ITALIAN - Native Speaker

ENGLISH - Native Speaker

SPANISH - Intermediate

**OTHER**

Zumba Strong Nation Licensed Instructor

2022

Zumba Licensed Instructor

2021

Certified Mat Pilates Instructor

2020

Member of the Fredonia Dance Team

2016-2017, 2017-2018, 2018-2019 season

Social Media Intern for the Department of Theater and Dance, SUNY Fredonia

2017 – 2019

Front Desk Receptionist, Balanced Pilates NYC

2020

**Awards:**

Dance Merit Scholarship at Hochstein School of Music and Dance

Carnahan-Jackson Dance Scholarship

1929 Ballet Fund

Merrins Theater and Dance Endowment

Fiat Lux: Let There Be Light Scholarship

John L. Cogdill Scholarship for Academic Excellence

Golden Key Scholarship