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Education

2025 (May) **Northeastern University**, Boston (Remote)
Interdisciplinary Master of Science in Arts Administration and Cultural Entrepreneurship
Recipient of the Dean’s Scholarship

2015 University of Phoenix
Bachelor of Science in Environmental Science

2007 Bedford High School

2007 Keystone National High School Online Program

Professional Dance Career

Presently: Principal Dancer

Miami City Ballet
A.D., Lourdes Lopez

2023— Principal Dancer
2022 Principal Soloist
2018 Soloist
2014 Corps de ballet

2018-2024 **Miami City Ballet School Mentorship Program Founder**

Alabama Ballet

2009-2014 A.D., Tracey Alvey, Associate A.D., Roger Van Fleteren
2012 Principal
2010 Company Artist
2009 Apprentice

Cincinnati Ballet

2008-2009 A.D., Victoria Morgan
A.D., Devon Carney - Trainee Program
Trainee

Year-Round Ballet Training

2004-2008 The Boston Ballet School: A.D., M. Tracey, Previous A.D., D.Miles Burger
1995-2006 The Ballet Academy Inc.: A.D., F. Cavicchio Kotelly
1998 - 2003 Northeast Youth Ballet: A.D., D. Cecere

Summer Dance Training

2011	Boston Conservatory Summer Dance Program: A. Suarez, G. de Marco, A. del Saz, T. Moricz
2004-2009	Boston Ballet Summer Dance Program: A.D., M. Tracey
2001, 02', 10'	Central Pennsylvania Youth Ballet: A.D., M. Dale Weary, Director

Instructors

E. Aliev, P. Alosa, T. Alvey, P. Ballard, N. Bielski, C. Bruce, F. Bujones, D. Carney, E. Cisneros, E. Ellison, J. Elo, R. Van Fleteren, J.P. Frohlich, J. Gardner, L. Godfrey, A. Hineline, D. Hoover, A. Houghland, R. Kaiser, T. King, F. Kotelly, E. Kudo, J. Lang, L. Lopez, B. Mathis, A. Mckerrow, K. Mitchell, V.	Morgan, T. Moricz, H. Muir, M. Nissinen, H. Pickett, S. Pilarre, A. Randazzo, R. Reyes, A. del Saz, S. Schorer, D. Shultze, R. Sosenko, B. Thornton, R. Tonoyan, M. Tracey, T. Vives, M.D. Weary
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Awards

2025	Alex Dubé Scholarship recipient (Partial award provided by Career Transition For Dancer)
2023—	Dean's Scholarship - Northeastern University
2008	Graduate of the Boston Ballet School - 2007 Pao Merit Scholarship Recipient
2008-2009	Cincinnati Ballet - Anthony Albano and K. Ann Choe—Albano Fellow
2006	National Foundation for the Advancement of the Arts Honorable Mention Ballet Award, Top 5% of U.S High School Seniors

National and International Touring with Miami City Ballet

2018, 22'	Massachusetts: Jacob's Pillow - 85th & 90th Anniversary Festivals
2015	Canada: Vancouver, British Columbia, Ottawa
2018	France: Paris - Les étés de la danse
2018	Charleston, NC - Spoleto Festival
2016, 18'	New York: New York City - Lincoln Center, City Center
2016, 18'	Chicago, IL Chicago Dance Festival - Harris Theater, Millennium Theater
2018	Minneapolis, MI
2019, 21'	Washington, D.C. - The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts

Interviews and Speaking Opportunities

2024	Pointe Magazine
2023	iAM a Culture Icon Campaign: Aventura Mall
2022	Guest Speaker: Swan Ball Gala
2020	Funding Arts Network , An Evening with Lourdes Lopez and Samantha Galler
2020	Dance Magazine
2020	Podcast: " Process Piece " hosted by Ruby J. Smith. Discussing Creating During The Pandemic
2020	Campaign: My Miami Beach Your Escape Campaign
2017-	4Dancers: The Commitment to Pursue , Dancing & The Unexpected , A Professional In A Student's Class

Professional Performances

Choreographers and Repertoire listed Alphabetically

Richard Alston	Margarita Armas	Christopher Bruce
Frederick Ashton	George Balanchine	Val Caniparoli
Ricardo Amarante	Brian Brooks	James Cranko

Agnes de Mille	Mikko Nissinen	Liam Scarlett
Amy Hall Garner	Justin Peck	Paul Taylor
Jiří Kylián	Marius Petipa	Twyla Tharp
José Limón	Alexei Ratmansky	Antony Tudor
Sir Kenneth MacMillan	Jerome Robbins	Durante Verzola
Victoria Morgan	Ariel Rose	Septime Webre

Miami City Ballet, 2014-Present

A Midsummer Night's Dream: G. Balanchine: staged by Sandra Jennings: Hermia, Act II Divertissement pas de deux
Analogo: World Premiere, Margarita Armas, Principal Woman
Allegro Brillante: G. Balanchine (Jacob's Pillow 85th Anniversary Festival), Corps de ballet
Bourrée Fantasque: G. Balanchine: 1st Movement Corps de ballet, 2nd Movement Soloist
Carmen: R. Alston: staged by Richard Alston/Amanda Elyes: Cigar Girl
Carousel Pas de Deux: Sir Kenneth MacMillan: staged by S. Caddell: Louise
Company B: P. Taylor: "Another You"
Concerto Barocco: G. Balanchine: Corps de ballet
Concerto DSCH: A. Ratmansky: Soloist
Dances at a Gathering: J. Robbins: Mauve
Delight: R. Amarante: Principal - World Premiere
Divertimento #15: G. Balanchine: Principal
George Balanchine's The Nutcracker: The Sugar Plum Fairy, Lead Spanish, Demi Flower, Snow, Marzipan
Giselle: Coralli/Perrot: Peasant Pas de Deux, Friend, Wili
In the Night: J. Robbins: staged by J.P Frohlich: Pas de deux #2
In the Upper Room: Twyla Tharp: The Ballet Woman
I'm Old Fashioned: J. Robbins: Lazy Pas de deux, On Pointe Pas de deux
Jewels: G. Balanchine: Emeralds Principal, Emeralds Pas de Trios, Ruby, Diamond Demi-Soloist
La Source: G. Balanchine
La Valse: G. Balanchine: 1st Pas de deux
Mercuric Tidings: P. Taylor: staged by P. Corbin
One Line Drawn: B. Brooks - World Premiere
PAGANINI, In Play: D. Verzola - World Premiere
Raymonda Variations: G. Balanchine: Harp Variation
Resplendent Fantasy: A.H. Garner: Principal - World Premiere
Romeo and Juliet: J. Cranko: staged by J. Bourne: Benvolio's Gypsy
România: A. Rose: World Premiere
Sea Change: J. Roberts - World Premiere
Sentimento: D. Verzola - World Premiere
Serenade: G. Balanchine: Principal - Russian Girl - In-Season, debut (Jacob's Pillow 90th Anniversary Festival)
Sunset: P. Taylor: Company Premiere
Swan Lake: A. Ratmansky: Swan Queen (Odette/Odile), Pas de Trois, Polish, Waltz Couple, Two Solo Swans (North American Premiere) 2022, 2024
Swan Lake: G. Balanchine: Pas de Neuf Soloist
Sweet Fields: T. Tharp: staged by A. Brady
Symphonic Dances: A. Ratmansky: Soloist
Symphony in Three Movements: G. Balanchine: Tall Girl, Demi-Soloist
Tchaikovsky's Piano Concerto No. 2: G. Balanchine: Demi-Soloist
The Cage: J. Robbins
The Moor's Pavane: J. Limón - Emilia

Theme and Variations: G. Balanchine: Demi-Soloist

ViVa: A.H. Garner: Principal - World Premiere - (Digital Commission in collaboration with Paul Taylor American Dance Company)

Viscera: L. Scarlett: Soloist

Walpurgisnacht Ballet: G. Balanchine - Principal, Soloist, Demi-Soloist, Corps de ballet

West Side Story Suite: J. Robbins: staged by J.P. Frohlich: Jet "Cool"

Year of the Rabbit: J. Peck

Alabama Ballet Performance 2009-2014

Alice in Wonderland: V. Fleteren: Tigerlily

Allegro Brillante: G. Balanchine: staged/cast by D. Hoover: Principal Female, Corps de ballet

Don Quixote: M. Petipa: Mercedes, Dryad Queen, Dryad Soloist

Dracula: V. Fleteren: Party Guest

George Balanchine's The Nutcracker: G. Balanchine: staged/cast by D. Hoover: The Sugar Plum Fairy, Arabian, Lead Marzipan, Snow, Flower, Party Guest, Demi Flower, Marzipan

Giselle: Petipa: Myrtha: Queen of the Willis, Moyna: lead Willi, Friend

La Bayadere: M. Petipa: staged by R. V. Fleteren: Nikiya

La Sylphide: A. Bournonville: staged by T. Alvey: Sylph, Effy, Demi Sylph

Paquita: Petipa: 2nd variation

Rodeo: A. de Mille: staged by P. Sutherland: Ranchers' Daughter

Romancing Rachmaninov: V. Fleteren: Principal - World Premiere

Romeo and Juliet: by V. Fleteren: Juliet, Rosaline

Rooster: C. Bruce: Lady Anne

Sechs Tanze: J. Kylian: staged/cast by S. Esseboom

Serenade: G. Balanchine: staged and cast by D. Hoover: Dark Angel, Corps de ballet

Shostakovich: V. Fleteren: Principal

Swan Lake: Petipa: Swan Queen, Pas de Trios, Big Swan

Tarantella: G. Balanchine: staged/cast by D. Hoover: Principal Female

The Lilac Garden: A. Tudor: staged by A. Mckerrow and J. Gardner: Caroline

The Sleeping Beauty: M. Petipa: staged by T. Alvey: Lilac Fairy, Serenity Fairy, Silver Fairy

Three Virgins and a Devil: A. de Mille: The Greedy One

Unravelled: V. Fleteren: Principal

The Boston Conservatory Summer Program 2011

Etudes: by H. Lander: staged by: A. Suarez, G. D. Marco

Forsythe Technique: T. Moricz

Nikolais/Louis Technique: Alberto D. Saz: Square Root

Cincinnati Ballet 2008-2009

Bolero: V. Morgan

Discarded Spider: By Carlos Amorales: Living Installation Art Exhibit Cincinnati Contemporary Arts Center

Dracula: D. Carney

Giselle: staged by D. Carney

Graceland: V. Morgan

Myth: Guest Artist: Ballet Tech: J. Goodlett

Peter Pan: S. Webre

The Nutcracker: V. Caniparoli

The Boston Ballet School, 2006-2008

A Midsummer Night's Dream: G. Balanchine, staged by Sandra Jennings: Court Dancer, Epilogue Fairy, Hound Dog

The Nutcracker: cast by M. Nissinen to perform: Sugar Plum Attendant, Mirliton Shepherdess, Snow, Flower

BBII ON STAGE: In Studio: Excerpts from Raymonda, Graduation Ball: Soloist

Pointe Off: choreographed by: Jormo Elo

Walpurgisnacht: Spring Graduation Showcase: Demi Soloist

Four Temperaments: G. Balanchine, staged by K. Mitchell: Third Theme, Devil's Dance

Ensemble Group: staged by Eldar Aliev: Fairy Doll Pas de Trois; Le Corsaire: Jardin Anime: soloist

Boston Ballet Summer Dance Program, 2004-2009

Who Cares?: Principal, staged by M. Tracey and R. Kaiser

The Dream: Titania, staged by D. Shultze and L. Godfrey

Sleeping Beauty: Grande Valse, staged by D. Shultze and L. Godfrey

Allegro Brillante: staged by M. Tracey and R. Kaiser

Divertimento #15: staged by J. Glaze

Serenade: staged by J. Glaze

Ballet Academy Inc., 2005

Bluebird Pas de Deux: with Luca Sbrizzi, Boston Ballet II

The Sleeping Beauty: choreographed by Marius Petipa: Aurora's Variation, Lilac Fairy

Les Patineurs: choreographed by F. Ashton: Pas de Deux

Northeast Youth Ballet, 1998-2003

The Nutcracker: D. Cecere: Dew Drop Fairy, Snow Queen, Kissing Doll, lead Mirliton, Chinese, Marie

Peter and the Wolf: Boston Musica Viva: The Bird

A Boston Cinderella: Original ballet by B. Hoffer, Boston Musica Viva: Summer Fairy

Ambassadorship

2022	Tutulist
	First online dancewear thrift store: supporting environmental sustainability
2017	Capezio Athlete

Dance Teaching Career

Pre-ballet-Professional

Miami City Ballet School

Founder of the Pre-professional division Miami City Ballet School

Mentorship Program

Arantxa Ochoa, Director of Faculty and Curriculum

Miami Beach, FL 2018–

Ballet Rhode Island

A.D K. Breen Combes & Y. Yanowsky

Providence, RI 2022

Chicago High School for the Arts

Geer Reed, Dance Department Head

Chicago, IL 2018

Central Pennsylvania Youth Ballet

Marcia Dale Weary, Head of School

Carlisle, PA 2018—

Schramel Conservatory of Dance

A.D., Marjorie. and Gregory. Schramel

New Orleans, LA 2017

Body Expressions for the Performing Arts

A.D, Heidi. Roth.

Mandeville, LA 2017

Northeast School of Ballet

A.D Denise Cecere

Reading, MA 2016–

Live Oak Dance School

School Principal, Jarina Carvalho

New Orleans, LA 2016

Marigny Opera House

A.D., David Hurlbert, Ballet Master, Jarina Carvalho

New Orleans, LA 2015

Pointe Dance Arts

A.D., Shannon Denney:

Year-round Faculty

Hoover, AL 2012-2014

Alabama Ballet

A.D. Tracey Alvey & Roger Van Fleteran

Year-round Faculty

Birmingham, AL 2012-2014

Linda Dobbins Dance

A.D. Linda Dobbins

Year-round Faculty

Mountain Brook, AL 2011-2013

The Ballet Academy Inc.

School founder and Principal: Frances Cavicchio Kotelly

Arlington, MA 2010–

Kirova Ballet

A.D., Janna Kirova

Hallandale Beach, FL 2020

International Dance Academy

A.D., Deborah Squeri

Miami, FL 2020–

Miami Dance Collective

A.D., Marie Gaschler & Kristin Richards

Miami, FL 2020

Virtual Teaching (Covid-19 Pandemic)

The Ballet Academy Inc.

Ballet Together

Nigeria Partnership

Northeast School of Ballet

Central Pennsylvania Youth Ballet

Live Oak Dance School

Miami City Ballet

UnBlanche Inc. - Japan