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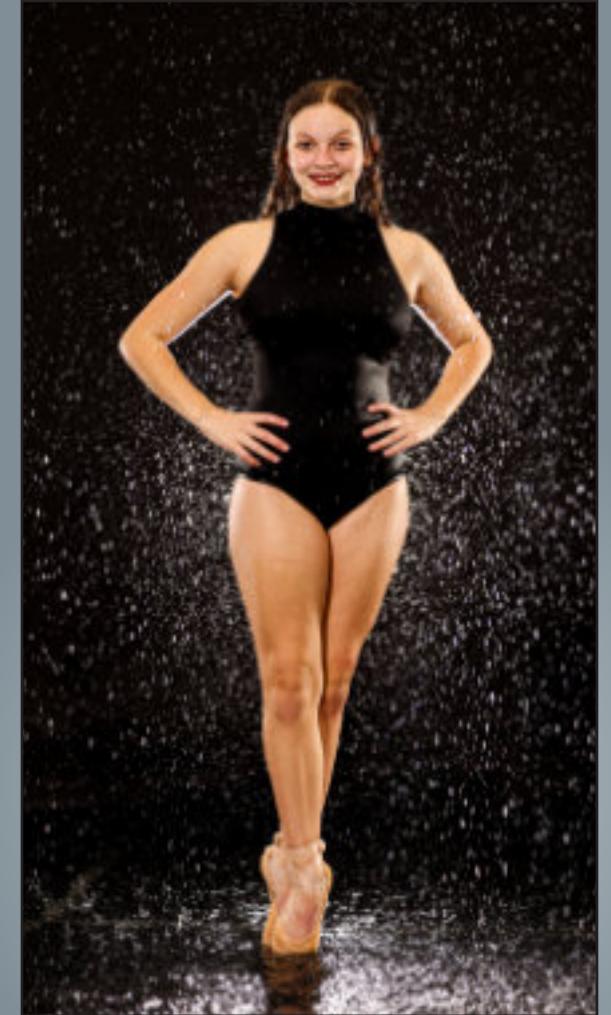
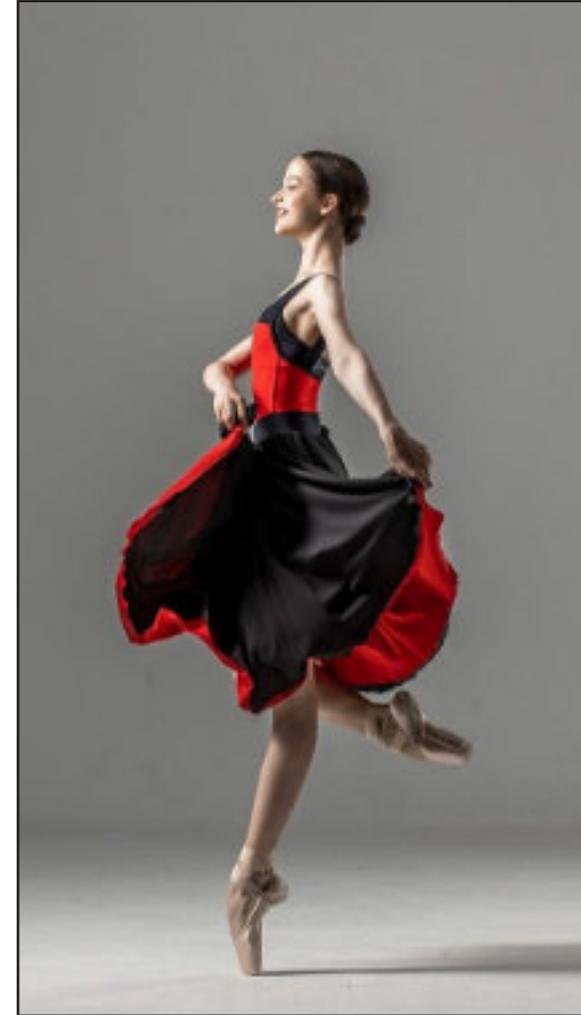
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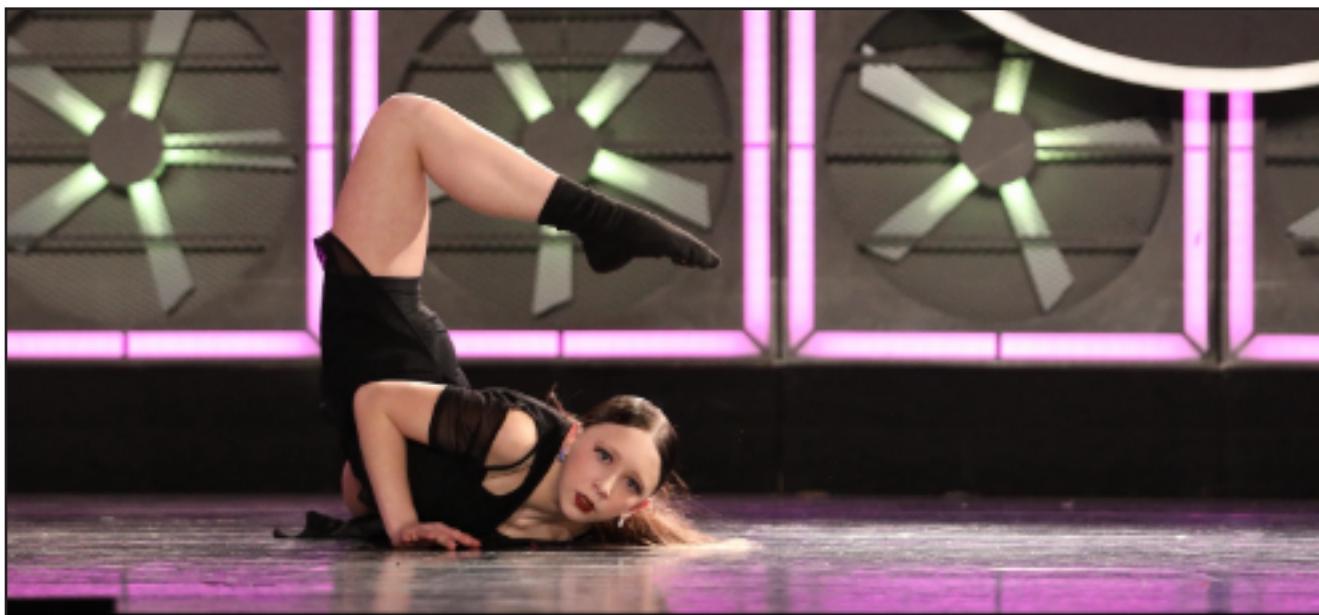
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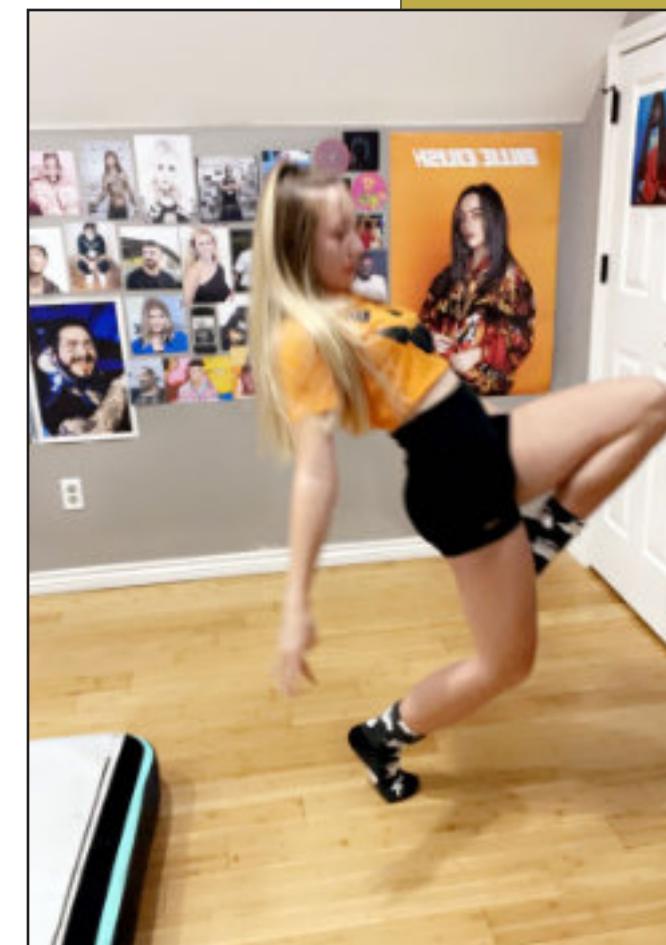
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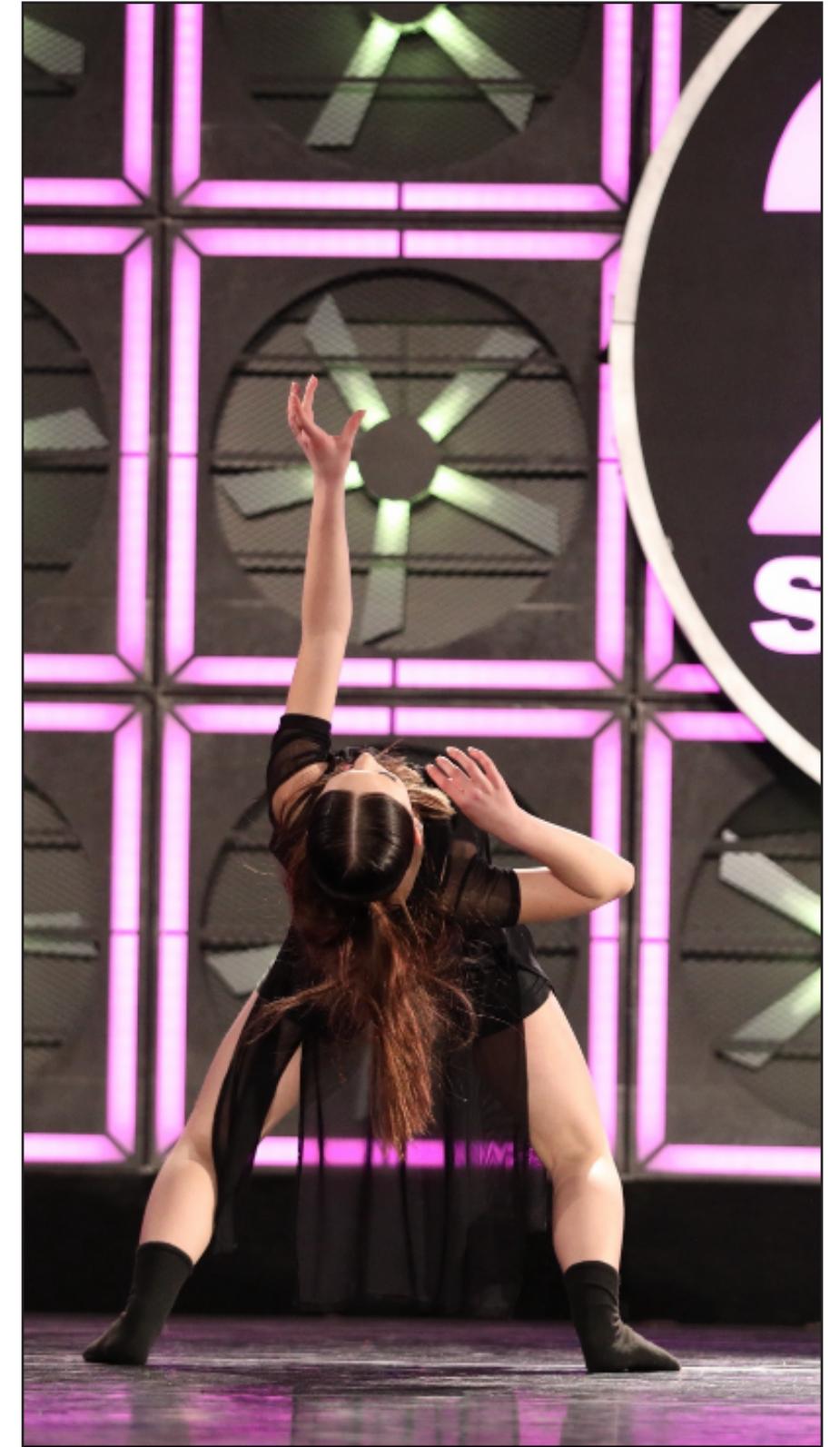
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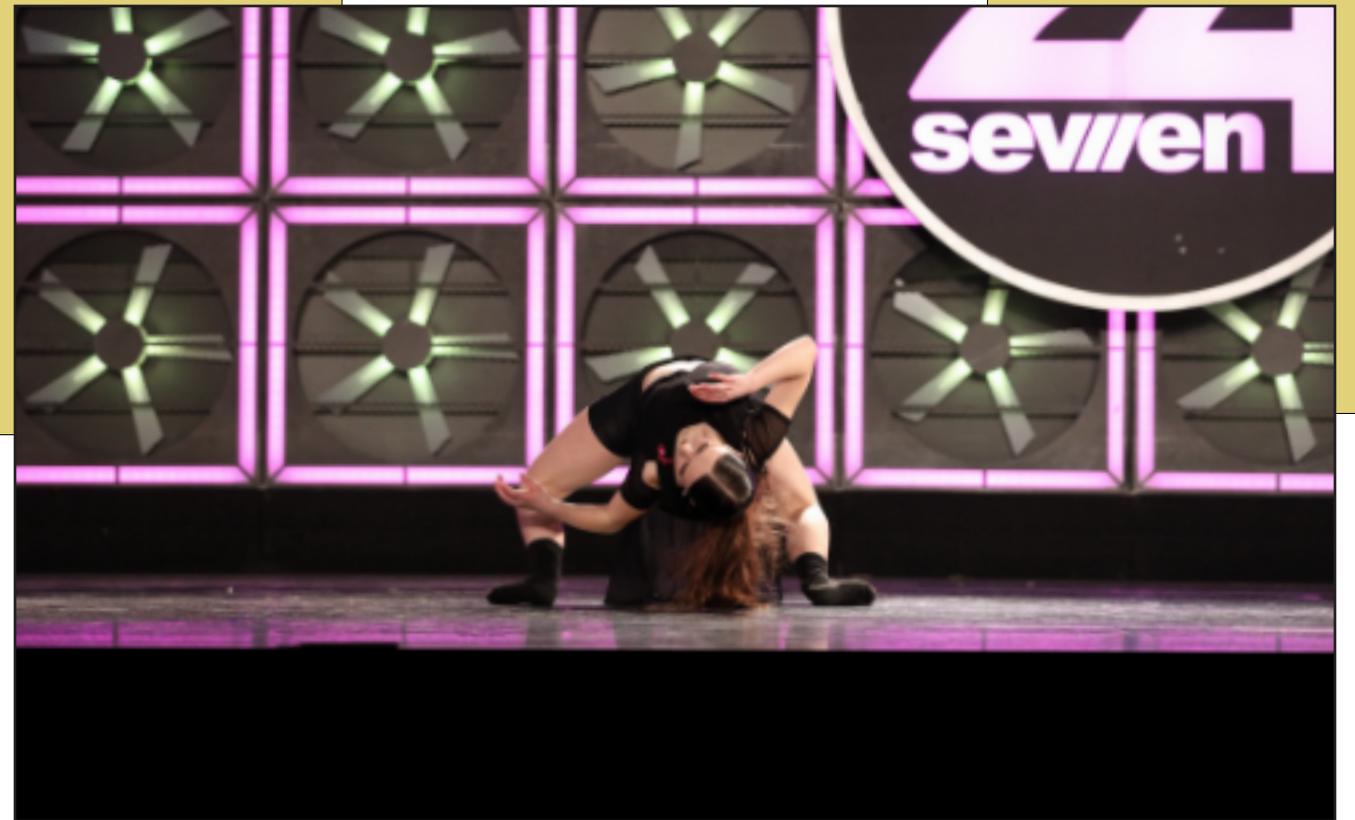
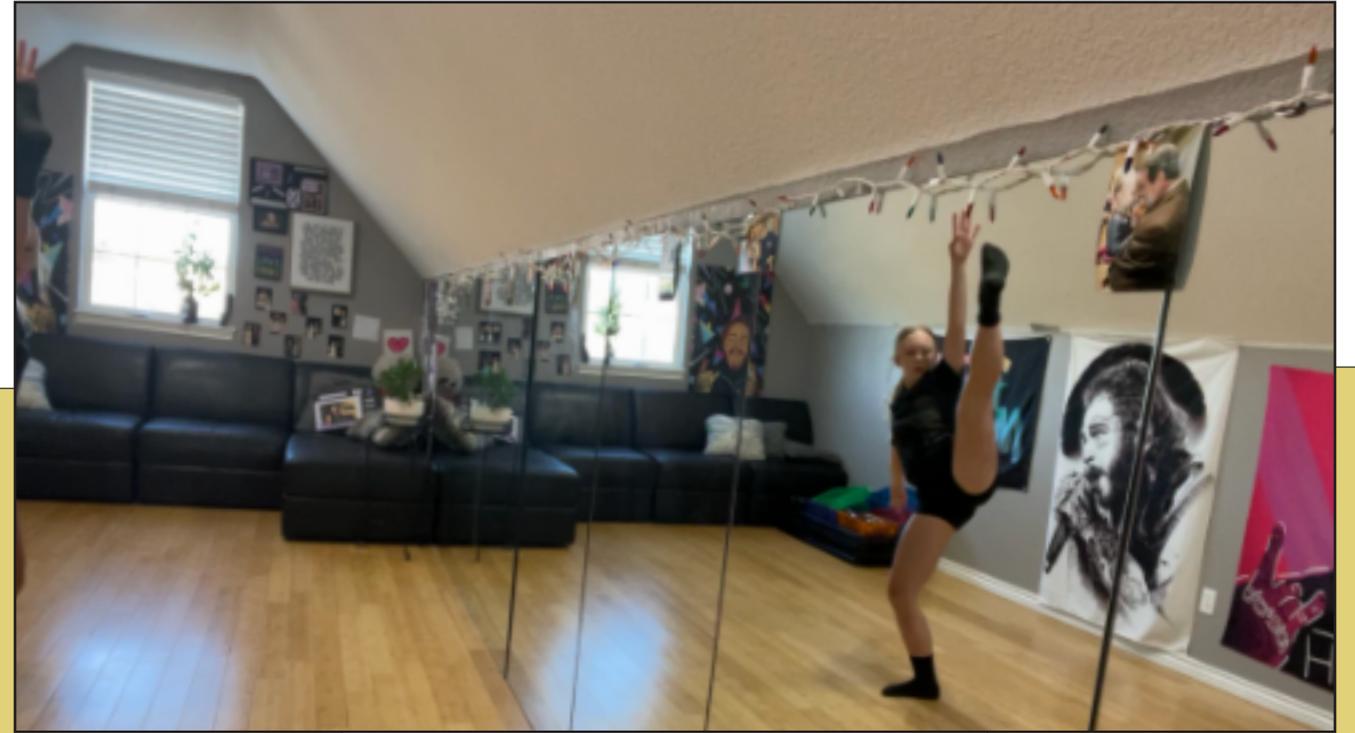
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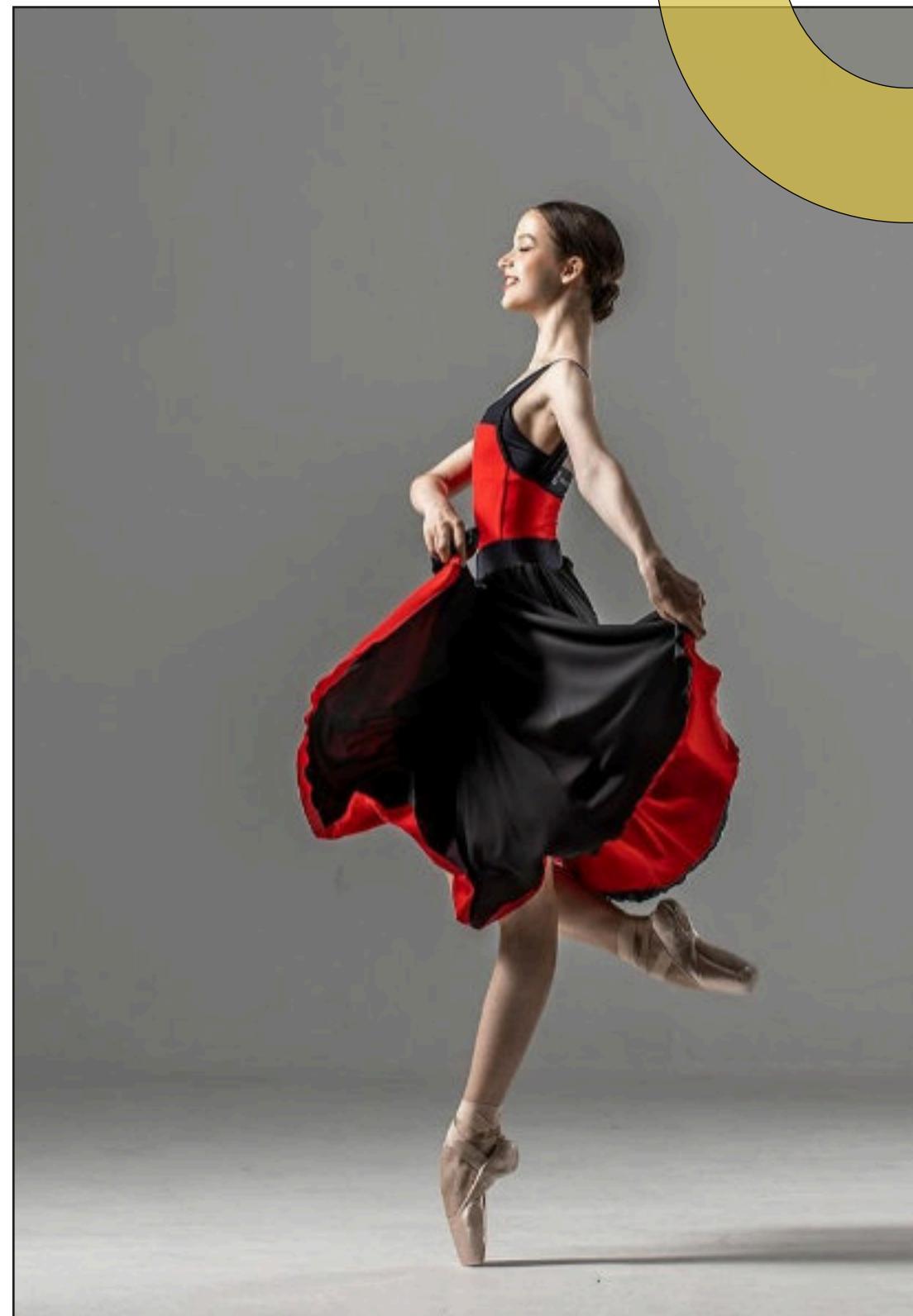


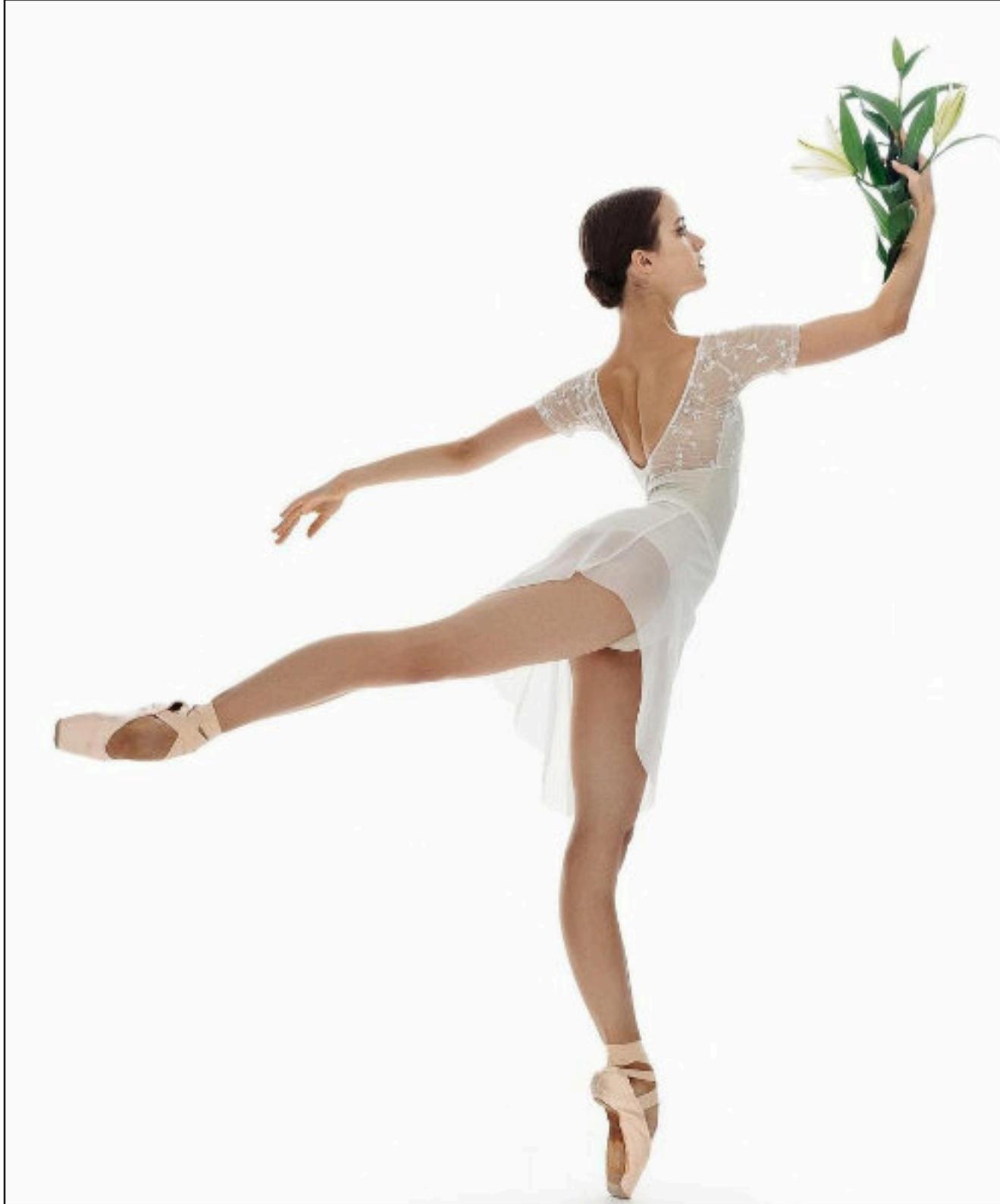


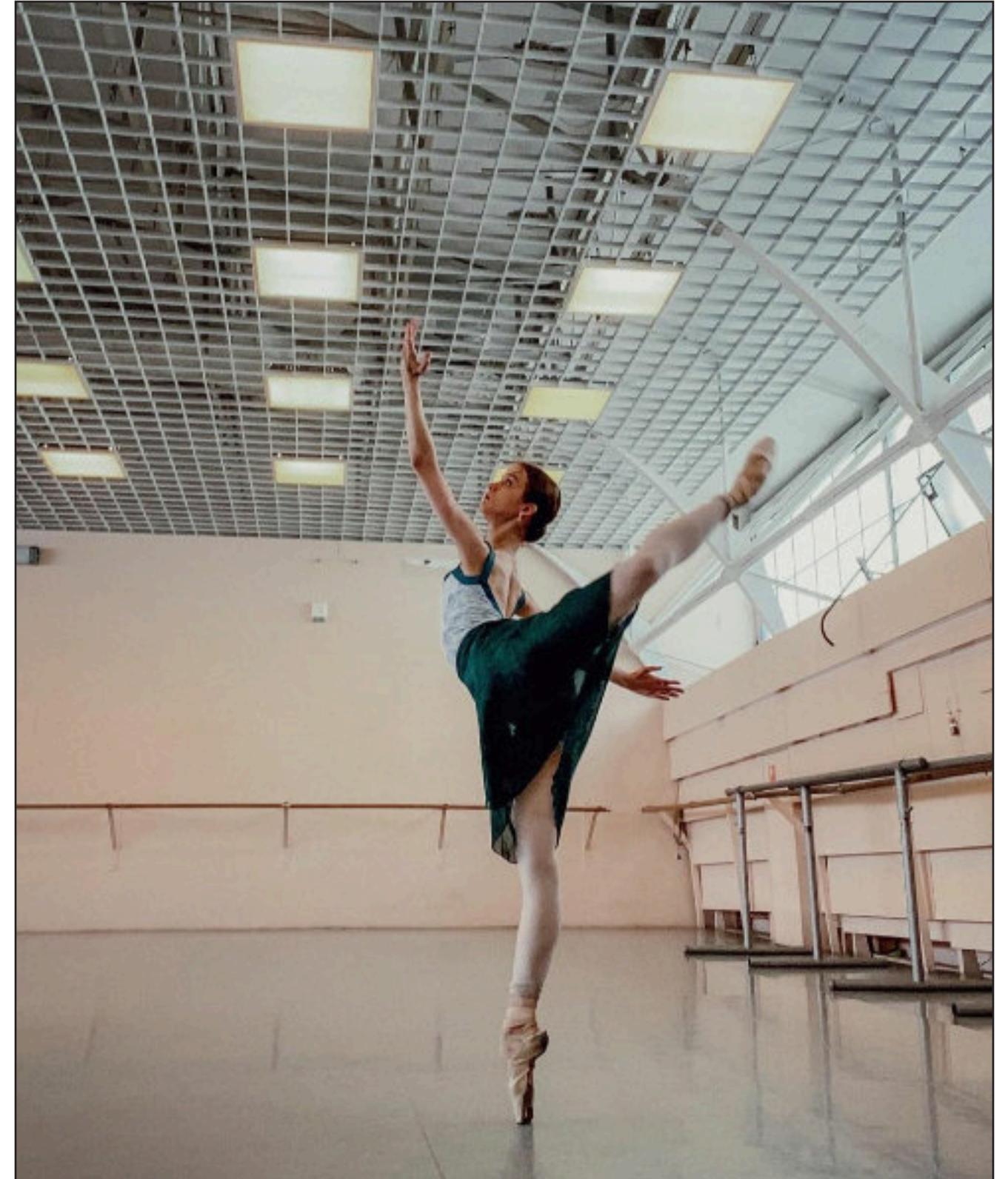
Gabby Winstead



My name is Gabby Winstead. The gym season has started recently and I feel that I am ready and not ready at the same time. From one point of view, there's nothing I can be more ready for, cause i dreamed of this for many years, but on the other hand, i am not used to this kind of life. Will I gain necessary skills in the given time? What is going to happen to me? Let's see what happens.







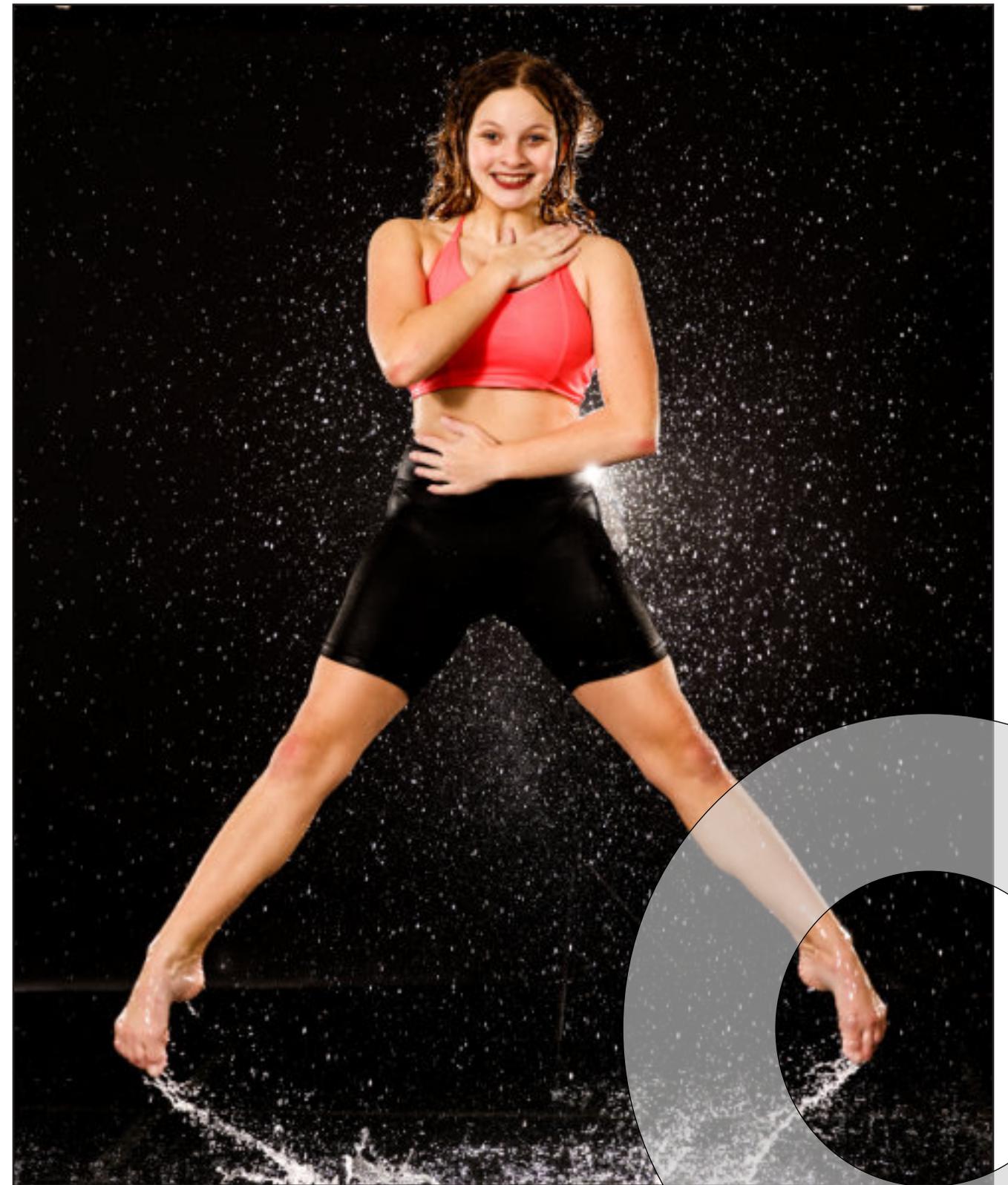
Gabriella Riffle



My name is Gabriella Riffle and I am 13 years old. I have been dancing since I was three and competitive dancing since I was five. I dance at Epic Dance Complex in Canfield Ohio. I love dancing and I have incredible teachers and teammates who make dancing so enjoyable and fun. I love to dance and Lyrical, Contemporary and Pointe are my favorites. Some of my achievements have been being Mini Miss Starstruck, Mini Miss Energy and Miss Junior Kar, I have also won numerous photogenic awards. I currently help teach at my dance studio which I love doing. I have

faced some challenges this past year and a half due to a couple problems with my hip and I've had to cut down on the numbers of dances I do at competition but I refuse to give up, dance is my passion! My goal is to continually improve my dancing skills at Epic. I am so grateful for everyone who has supported me through the years. When I graduate I hope to pursue a career as a nurse.

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My name is Molly Levay and I am a competitive dancer. I have been dancing since I was two years old. I train in a variety of dance genres that include; hip hop, ballet, jazz, lyrical, tap, pointe ballet, musical theatre, contemporary and show dance. My ultimate dream would be to dance professionally. I am well aware of how hard it is to become a professional dancer but a girl's gotta dream right? I am 13 years old and everyone asks

what do you want to be and what are you going to take in school since I am heading into grade 9 this year. The first thing I say is something to do in the Dance Industry. It is truly my passion and I feel the most alive when I am dancing. My future goal would be to combine my love of health/fitness/nutrition and dance. I recently travelled to Poland with representing Team Canada to compete on a International world wide stage with 24 other

countries. It was an unbelievable experience. The opportunity gave me so many life experiences and challenged me in ways I did not know I was capable of. Our team had the hard training of 8 hour rehearsals, dedication, work ethic, team work and above all giving it 100%. In Poland I competed a solo, production number and two small groups. We did extremely well. It was the very best experience of my life. I compete locally

with my current studio Dancesations Dance Acacemy and my team. We are a small but mighty studio that does very well in competitions. I love dancing in my groups the most because that is when our whole team thrives. We have won studio overall awards and team awards. I personally have been able to achieve first place overall soloist awards, duet overall awards (amazing partners) and overall Junior Elite Most



Potential awards and Improv awards at competitions. My favourite part of competing though is not the award, it is the feeling I get when I am on stage. It is like nothing else. The energy I feel inside and the ability to be able to tell a story on stage through movement and dance while displaying the techniques/ strength is where I really feel like I have won. I have been so fortunate to work with incredible choreographers along my journey that I take every bit of corrections and feedback possible to improve. Another favourite for me is being a teaching assistant for younger dancers. I have been able to do this since I was 8 years old. When you get a card that says "Thank you Miss Molly, I want to dance like you when I am bigger" its the best feeling ever. I am also part of the Junior Members for Dance Masters of Canada Chapter 38 and this has been rewarding to belong to a membership where you learn and grow in other aspects of the dance industry. I will continue to pursue dance in any way possible, I am still young and will try to take any opportunity that comes my way and not give up. I was told at a young age there is no such word as CAN'T. Dance is my form of meditation. Dance is a sport. It is the perfect combination of art and athlete. I train hard, work hard and dream big. Here is an article I was featured in the newspaper.

<https://www.stcatharinesstandard.ca/life/2022/08/12/13-year-old-dancer-attending-world-show-dance-championships-in-germany-this-november.html>







Raffy Lamberti

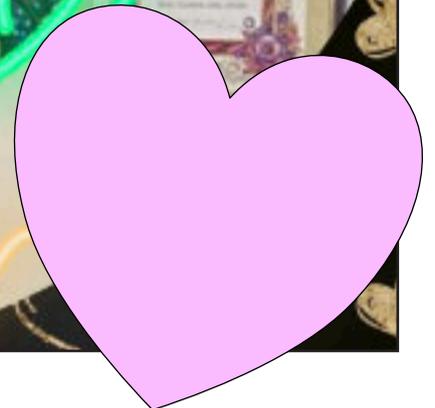
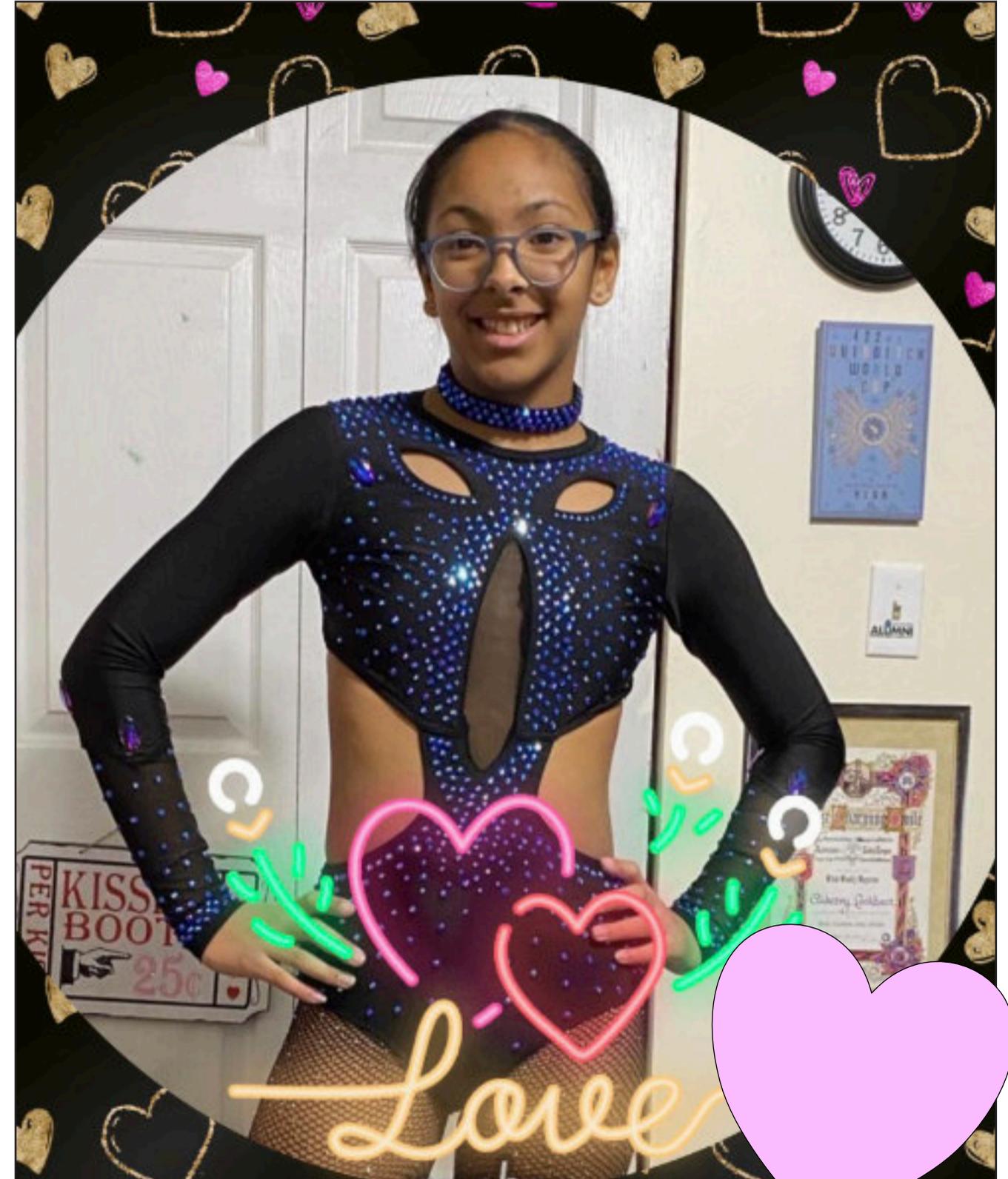


As you may all know me, by now, my name is Raffy ❤️♥️ I am going to be 13 years old in a few months. This is my 11th year dancing with The Dance Connection of East Haven Connecticut. I am a seventh grader at East Haven Academy. I am otter student. I am a big buddy helper. I am also a tech buddy helper as well. I work with kids in the special ed department. I recently became nominated in my hometown in our local newspaper. I really enjoy going into New York City hanging out with my friends ice-skating, and I love traveling all over meeting different people from place to place it's a real honor meeting people and making friends .. my passion is being on the dance floor. I enjoy everything about dancing from makeup to hair to fancy costumes to being someone different. I love expressing myself in

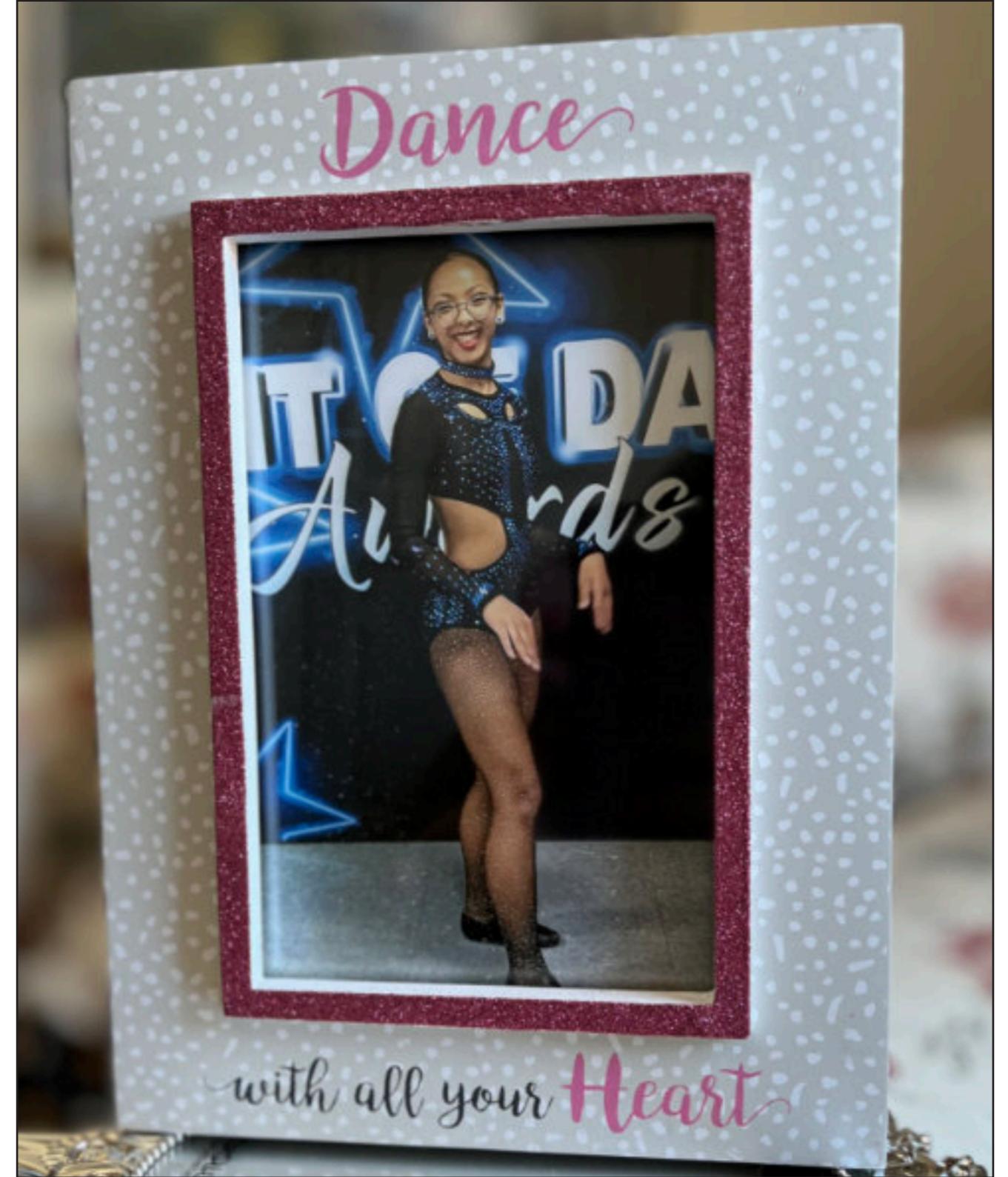
different ways when I am dancing .. dance has helped me a lot throughout the years. It has given me confidence to be me ... I am glad I have so many people in my life that support the things that I love ❤️ .. my mom has always been my biggest supporter on and off the stage. She's always been my number one cheerleader through everything. My aunt is like my second mom she's always been there for me ever since I've been a little girl and I can't thank you enough for being so supportive of me my mama and my Poppy have been everything to me. They always support me and they are always there for me no matter what..

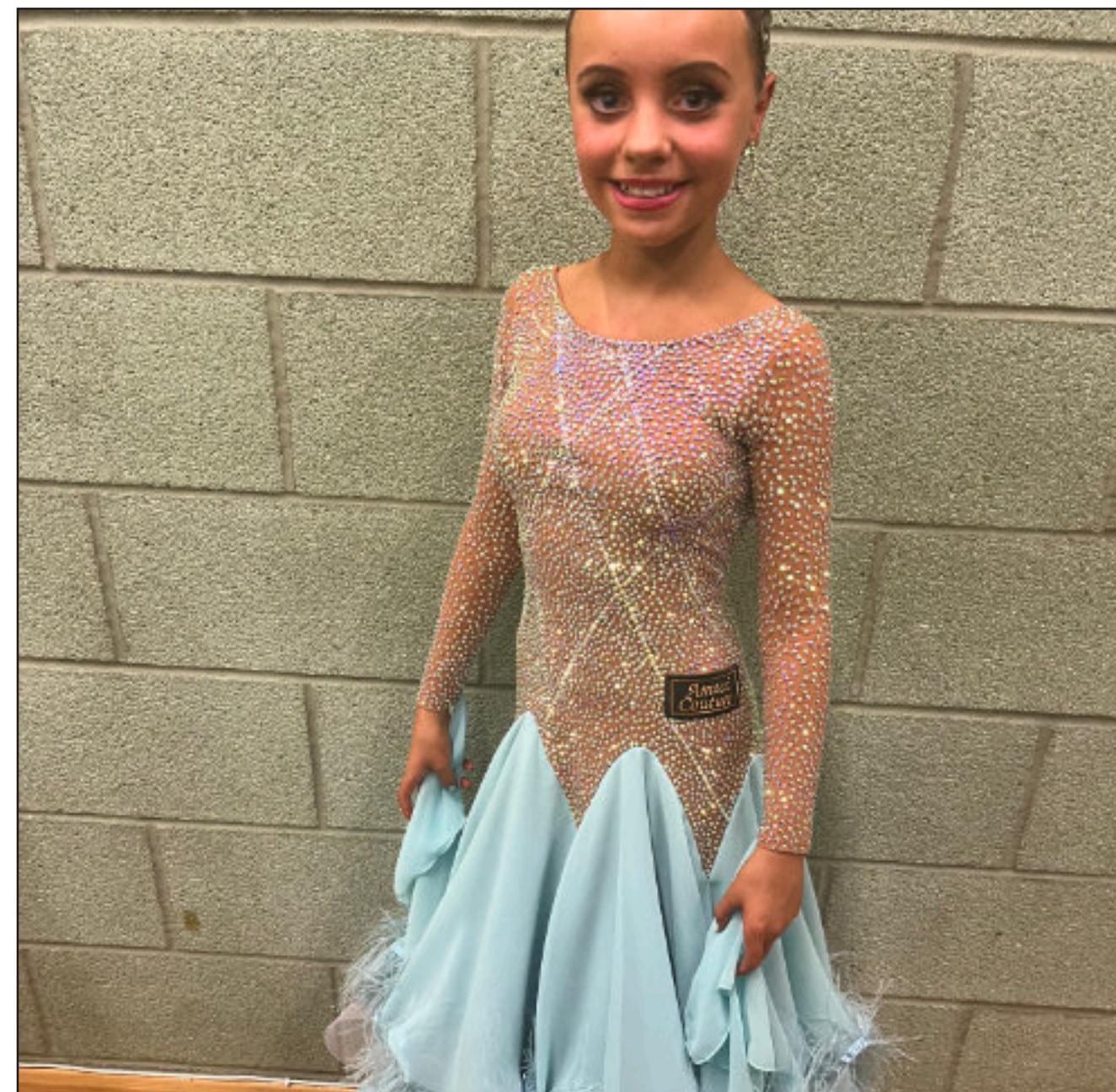


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Hi my name is Sophia Smith in 12 years old I'm a Latin and ballroom dancer I train with Dancematic who are all amazing teacher and help me push to reach my goals . Iv just moved in to juniors which I competed in on Sunday for the first time and I can 2 nd in Latin and 2nd in ballroom so I'm now qualified for The Grand Finals istd Blackpool in November.

Dancing is everything to me I have a great circle of friends and we all support each other . I'm lucky enough to have my cousin Charlie Brown who dances to so we help each other as much as we can (she is in some of pictures) let's see what the future brings xx

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Taylor Ruggiero



My name is Taylor Ruggiero and I am a dancer from North Haven, CT. I enjoy all styles of dance but Lyrical is my favorites. My goals for dance is to continue to see growth from year to year. One of my greatest achievements as being cast as Clara in North Haven's Nutcracker. I have also won numerous overalls, titles, special judges awards, dance team invites and scholarships. When I'm not dancing I love to go to the movies, spend time with my friends and travel. As a huge fan on Elvis I got to visit Graceland, in Memphis, TN. It was

amazing to see all of his costumes, cars, gold records and other memorabilia. I'm so excited to be performing Elvis songs for two of my three solos. My futures goals are to attend Juilliard and dance on Radio City Music Hall's stage as a Rockette. I also would love to be an archeologist, and travel the globe exploring the history of the world. I would like to thank my dance teachers at Performing Art Studio BE, Ms Michelle, Ms Carissa, Ms Megan, Ms Andrea and Ms Jackie for all the training and support. I would especially like to



thank the Mallico Family Becky, Sophia and Adriana for pushing me to always be the best dancer I can be and for helping me build a confidence that will help me throughout my life. The best advice I can give to dancers is never give up and always work hard for yourself, every dancer is amazing and has their own unique gifts.

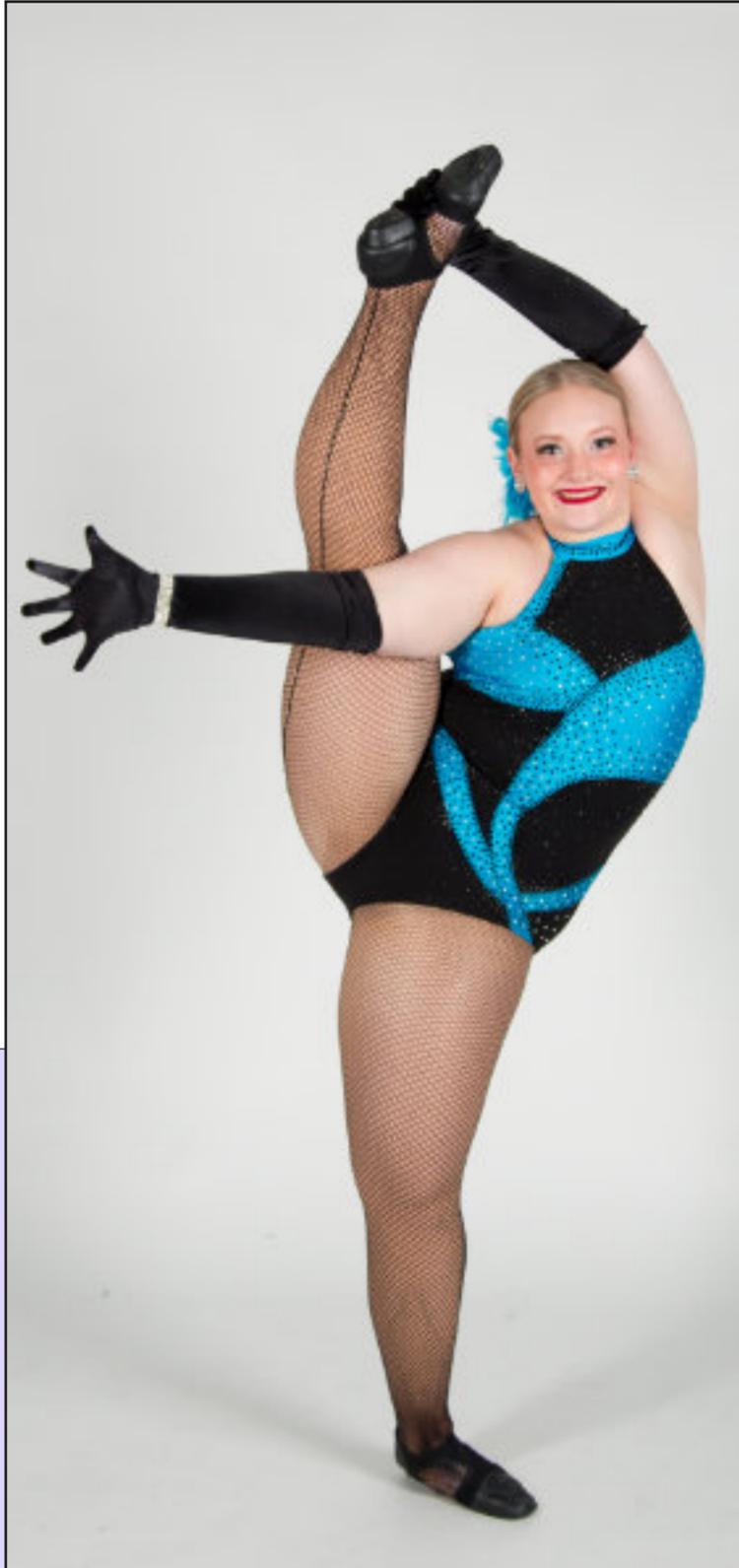
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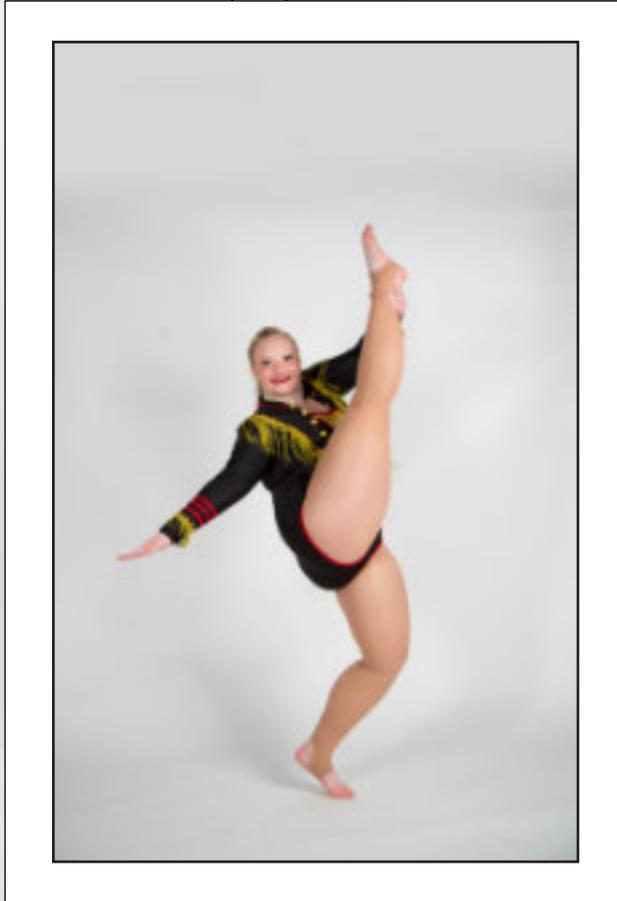
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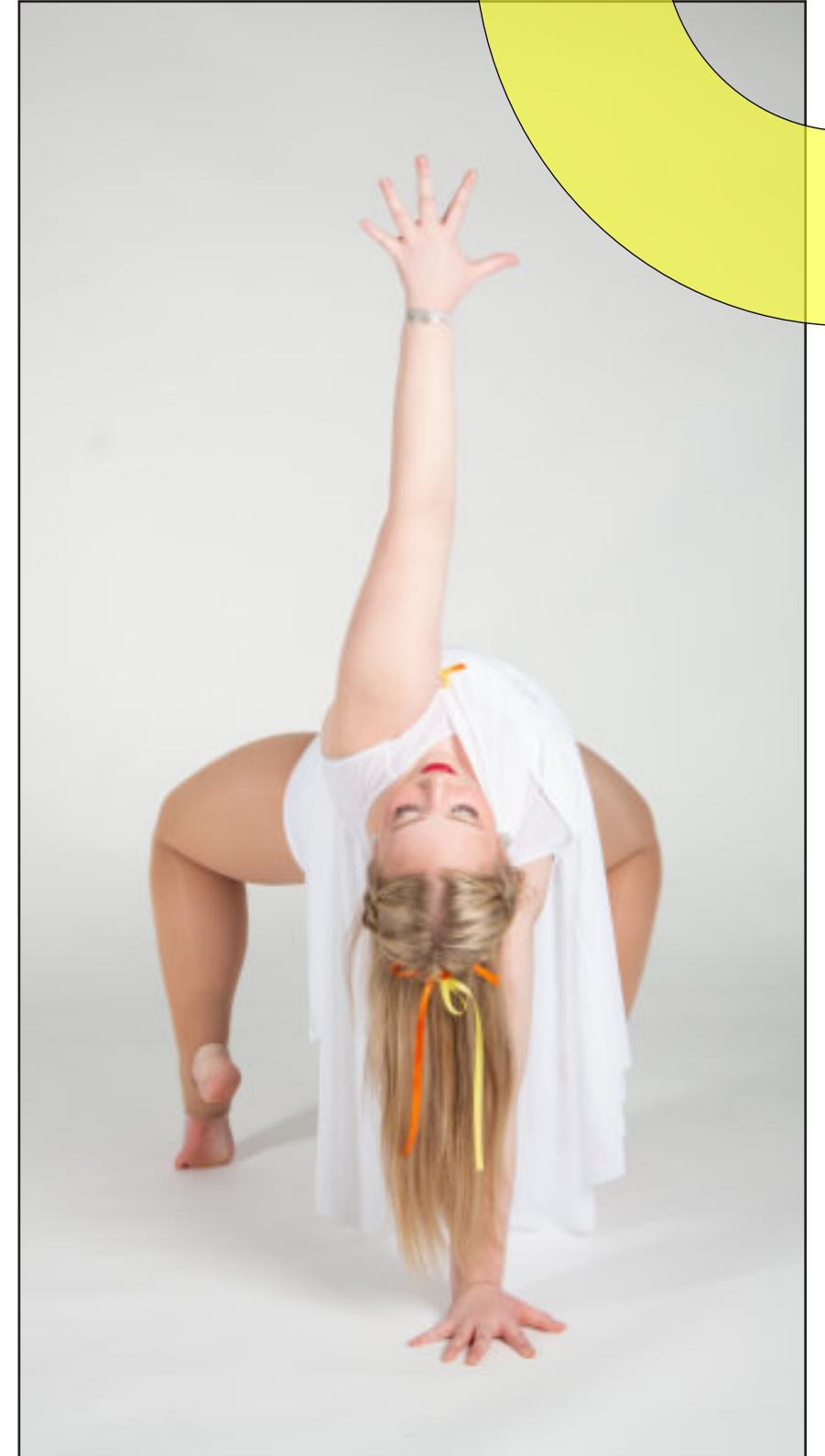


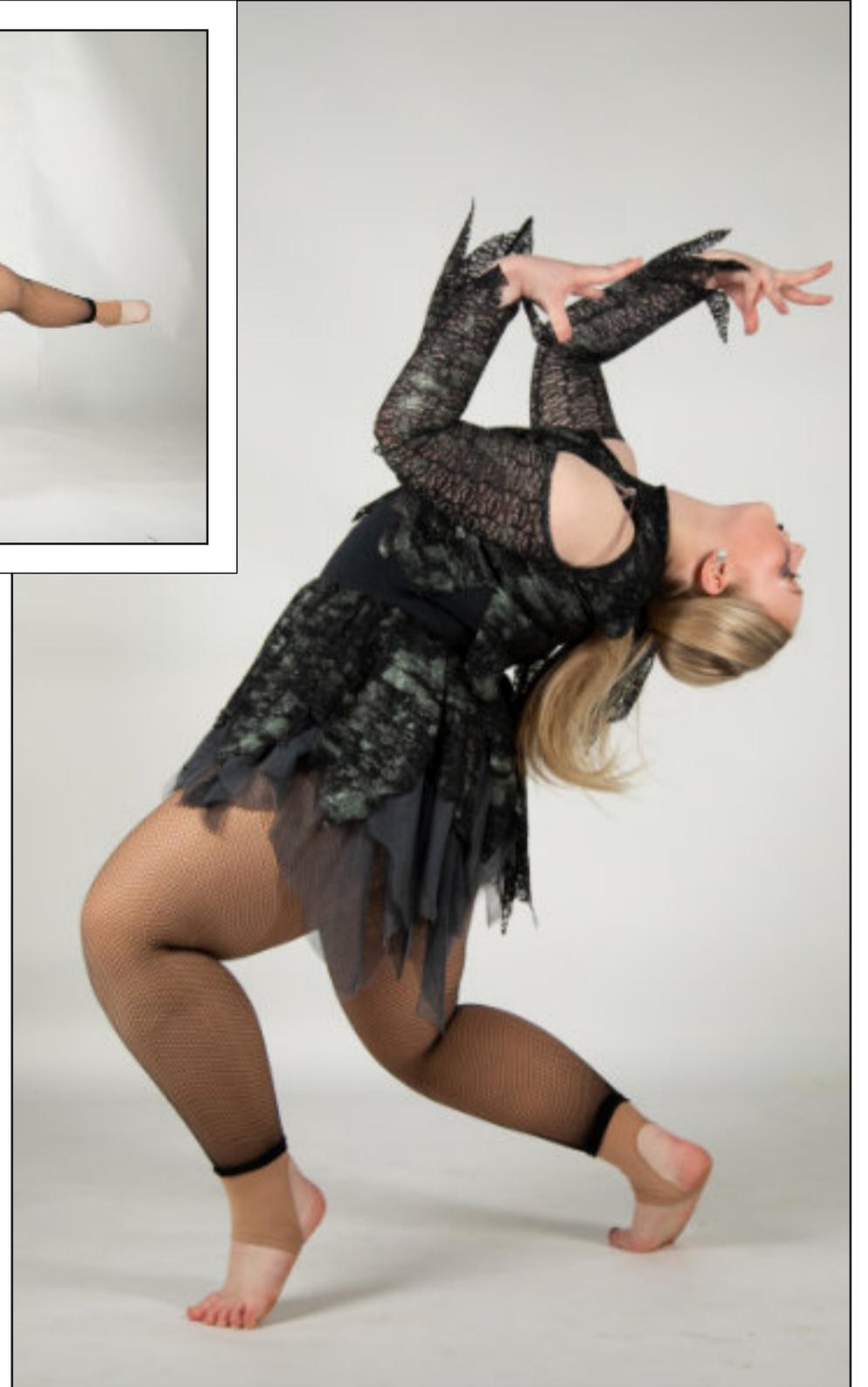
My Name is Trinity Hatfield. I'm 15 years old. I go to Connellsville Area High School. I'm a high school cheerleader. I have danced for 13 years. I live for dance. I dance at Fuzion Dance Complex in Mt.Pleasant Pennsylvania. I want to thank the owner Mr. Charles Lowery

and his staff for always pushing me to do my best. When I graduate High School I plan on attending Nursing School and hopefully be on a College dance team.

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