

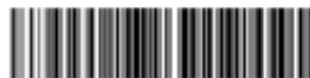
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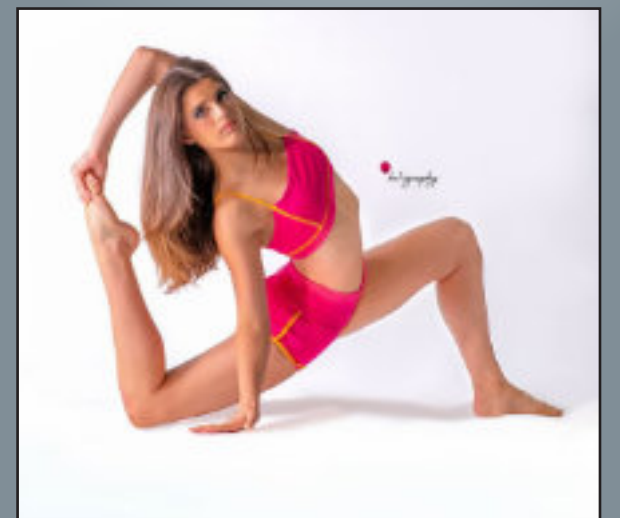
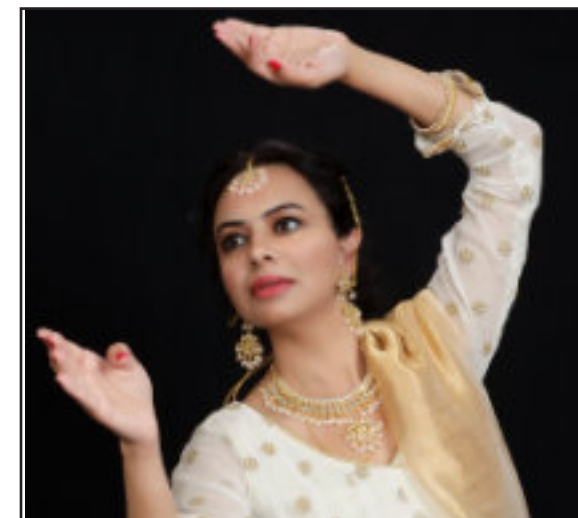
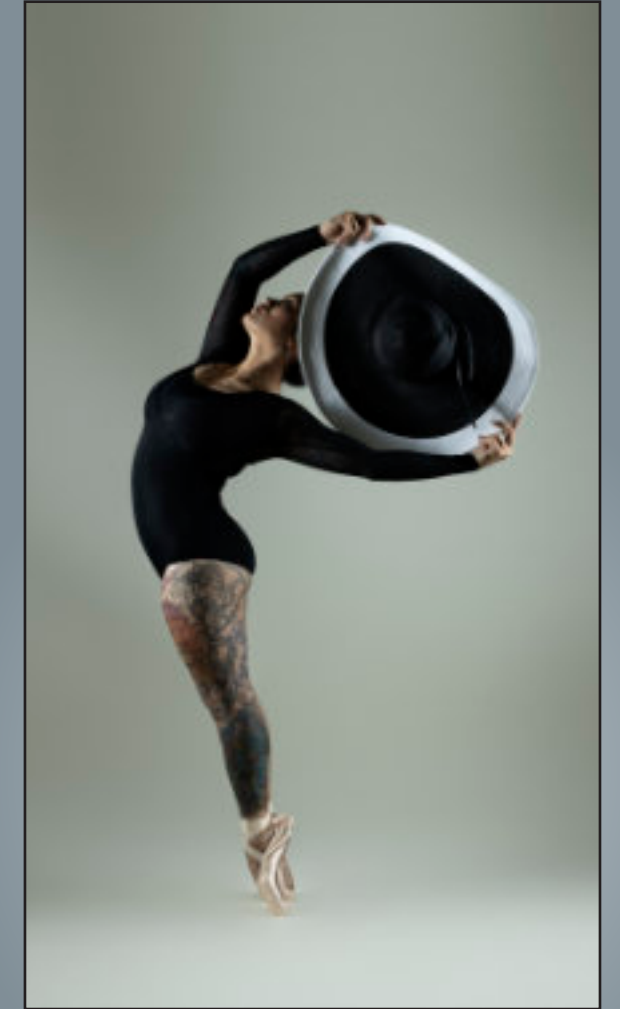


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I am Ava Mae Amey I am 9 years old. I am a cheerleader. This summer I got into my dream team Zodiac Allstars . They are National and international champions. I am hoping that with my hard work and dedication through training I will be picked for these teams in

the near future.

I do not live near my team so my mum and dad take it in turns to drive me the 6 hour round trip to do my training , two or three times a week and sometimes more so I can attend other events . I also have to fit school in ,

it can be tiring but everything requires dedication and hard work.

Being part of a cheer team is like your extended family , we support , leave, care and believe in each other.







# Katerina Seregina

My name is Katerina, my last name is Seregina. I am a dancer, but I also like to model. I have been dancing for several years and I can describe myself as hardworking. My family is very supportive. An achievement of mine is dance related: becoming the junior solo champion at Terpsichore

Canada. I choreographed a huge chunk of my winning solo. I love dancing on pointe. Modeling is really fun for me. I haven't yet modeled for big companies, but I hope to do so one day.

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# Khylie Symone



My name is Khylie Symone and I'm a competitive dancer at Studio Powers in Georgia. I have been dancing competitively since I was 4. I am also a self taught gymnast.

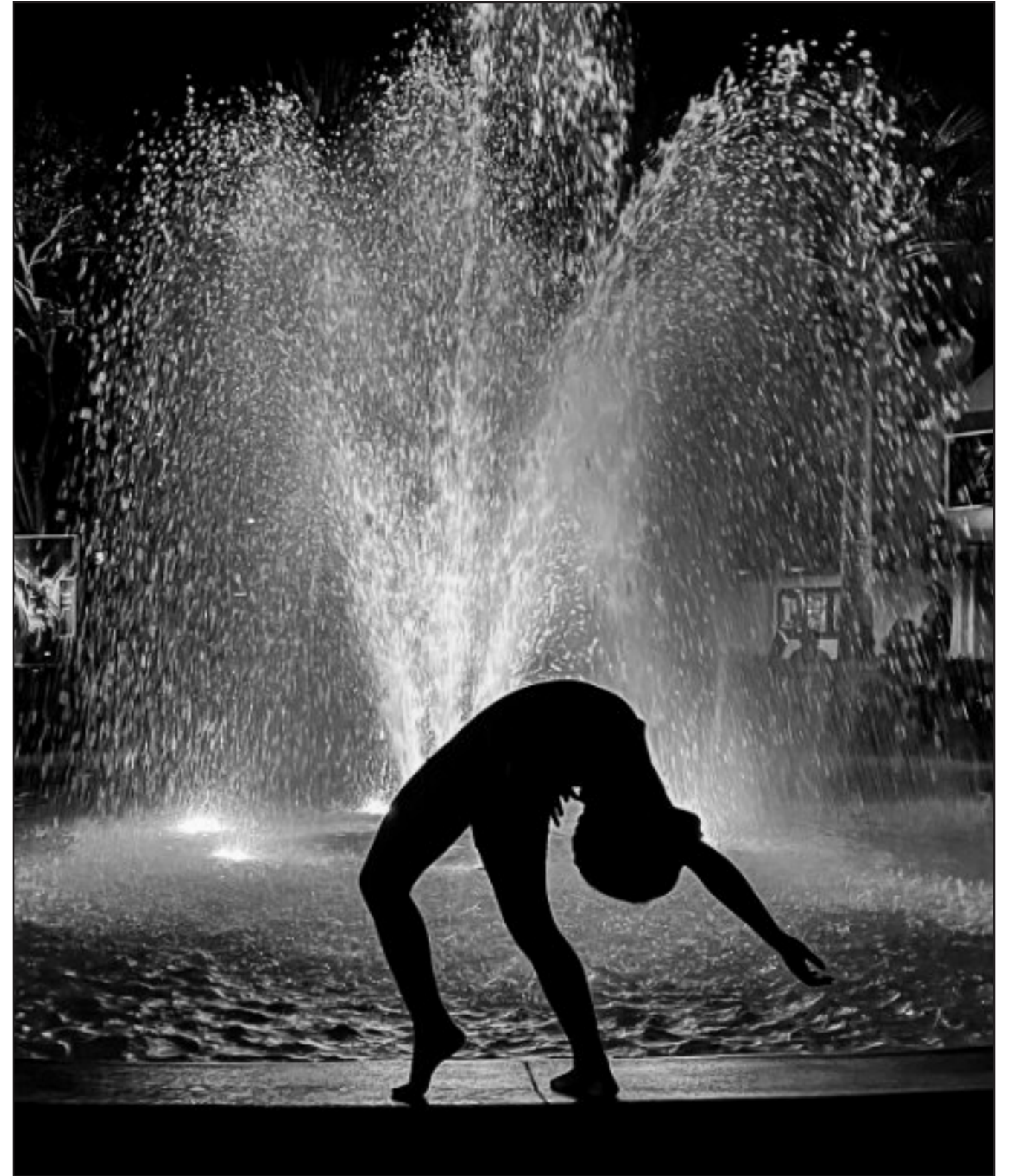
My dream as a young dancer is to one day be a choreographer and professional dancer. I enjoy several genres of dance including: jazz, jazz funk, ballroom and hip hop. I look up to my current coach Jasmine Powers who has been a successful dancer/gymnast, choreographer and entertainer.

My goal for this upcoming season is to place first in my age division at regionals and nationals in solos. I have competed a jazz solo the past two seasons. My overall goals as a dancer/ gymnast is to be better than the season before.

A few challenges I faced throughout past season and currently is being super tough on myself. I see a skill or task that I want to master and try to practice it over and over thinking I can grasp it perfectly right away. I am learning that it takes time and it's ok. Great things don't happen overnight.

On top of the challenges, with my work ethic I have received many achievements. I have earned several genre scholarships at conventions which have covered my national workshop classes. I earned top 3 at each regional competition for my jazz solo. I enjoy dancing and tumbling and one day I will be doing these things professionally.

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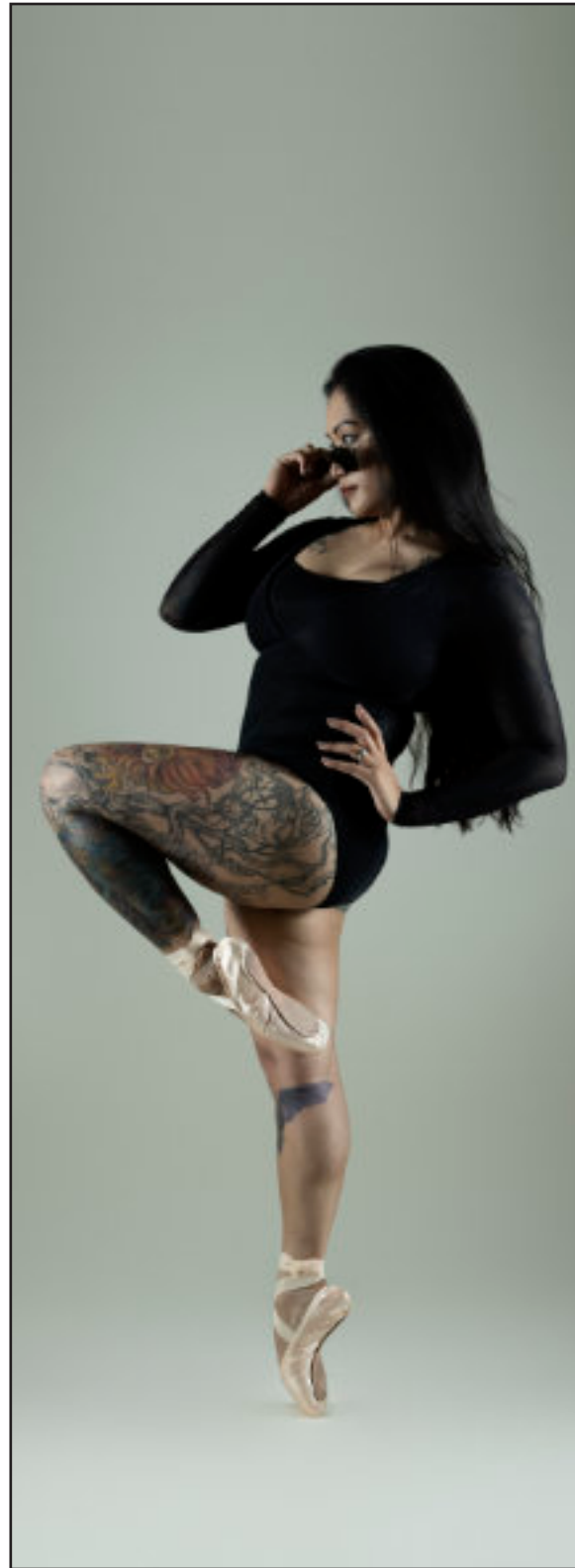
I am Kirin Lee, my dreamed to be a prima ballerina, but I am passed my age and have alot of tattoos. I continue to hope to be able to dance ballet no matter my age. I have achieved my goals of getting lead roles with my ballet company and dancing on

pointe. I recently injured my ankle and hope for a smooth and quick recovery to continue to dance.

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# Lauren Wortham

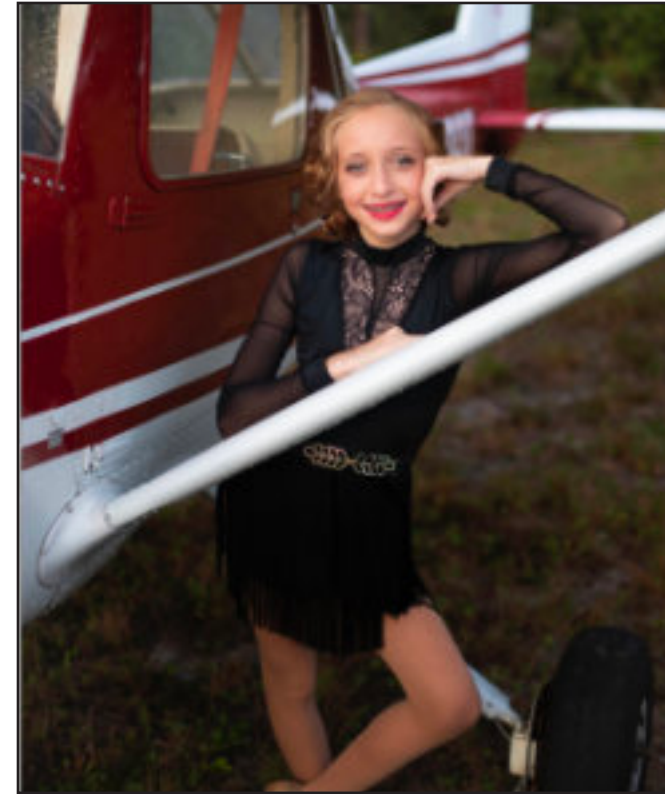


My name is Lauren Wortham. I am 12 years old and in the 7th Grade at Fernandina Beach Middle School in Florida. I am a straight A student and I love to perform. I dance and sing 5-6 days a week. I've been dancing since I was two years old. I have been with the Royal Amelia Dance Academy since I was five and was part of the Company Radette team for six years performing around town at many events. I have competed for the last two years doing a jazz solo and a hip-hop duet. I have received numerous trophies, special awards and Top 10 scores. I have found my love of hip-hop dance through my dance studio and my amazing teachers. Our high school recently started a Dance Team who performs at the varsity basketball games and competes. This Dance Team bridges the middle school and the high school together. After our first year together, we went and won National Grand Champs of Hip-Hop. None of us expected to go that far being a brand new team, but were absolutely ecstatic when our name was called. Now, we want to keep it going and hold onto our Title! I would love to continue being a part of our Dance Team for the remainder of Middle School and High School. After I graduate, I would absolutely love to attend the University of Florida where I can continue my love of dance and perform at the Swamp for the Gators!!! One day I would love to be able to teach dance and hopefully have kids that will want to follow my footsteps and see them love dance as much as I do.

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# Lauren Wortham



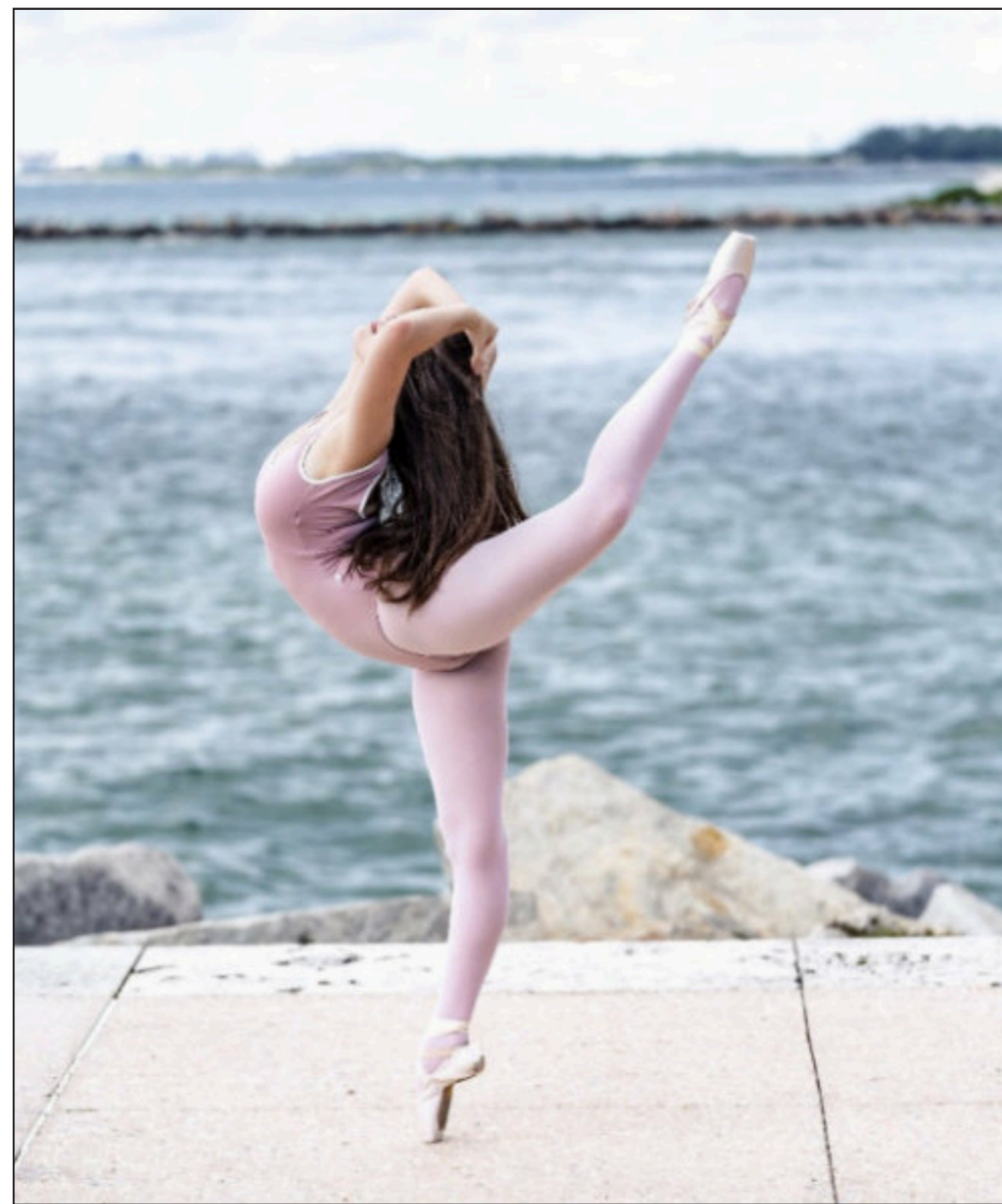




# Leela Rice

My name is Kylee Rice. I am in gymnastics since the age of 6 . Now it's been 8 years of gymnastics. I still remember the time of pre covid when there were many gymnastics competition held. Now there are lesser number of competition but things are getting back to normal . I am looking forward to my journey ahead.







# Paramita Bhattacharyya



Paramita Bhattacharyya is an Indian Kathak dance exponent from Los Angeles, USA. With a dream to build her organization for dance education, she visualizes a goal for herself to teach dance and educate people about the importance of dance in our life. The dance style that she practices is known as 'Kathak,' meaning storytelling and the artist is known as 'Kathakar', the storyteller. In her dance presentations, she always tries to portray a story related to social issues and other aspects of the everyday life so that her audience finds a relation with themselves and likes to get involved with the art form presentation. That way she loves to establish a relationship with the audience, the dance enthusiasts, and the dance students who

wants to learn and explore the Kathak dance form. At the same time, she likes to explain how Indian Kathak dance relates to yoga and meditation, the age-old ancient culture and exercise from India. Different 'yoga asanas' explain the postures and body movements practiced in the dance form while 'pranayam' explains the breathing technique applied while dancing or acting a specific 'abhinaya' in the art of storytelling in Kathak.

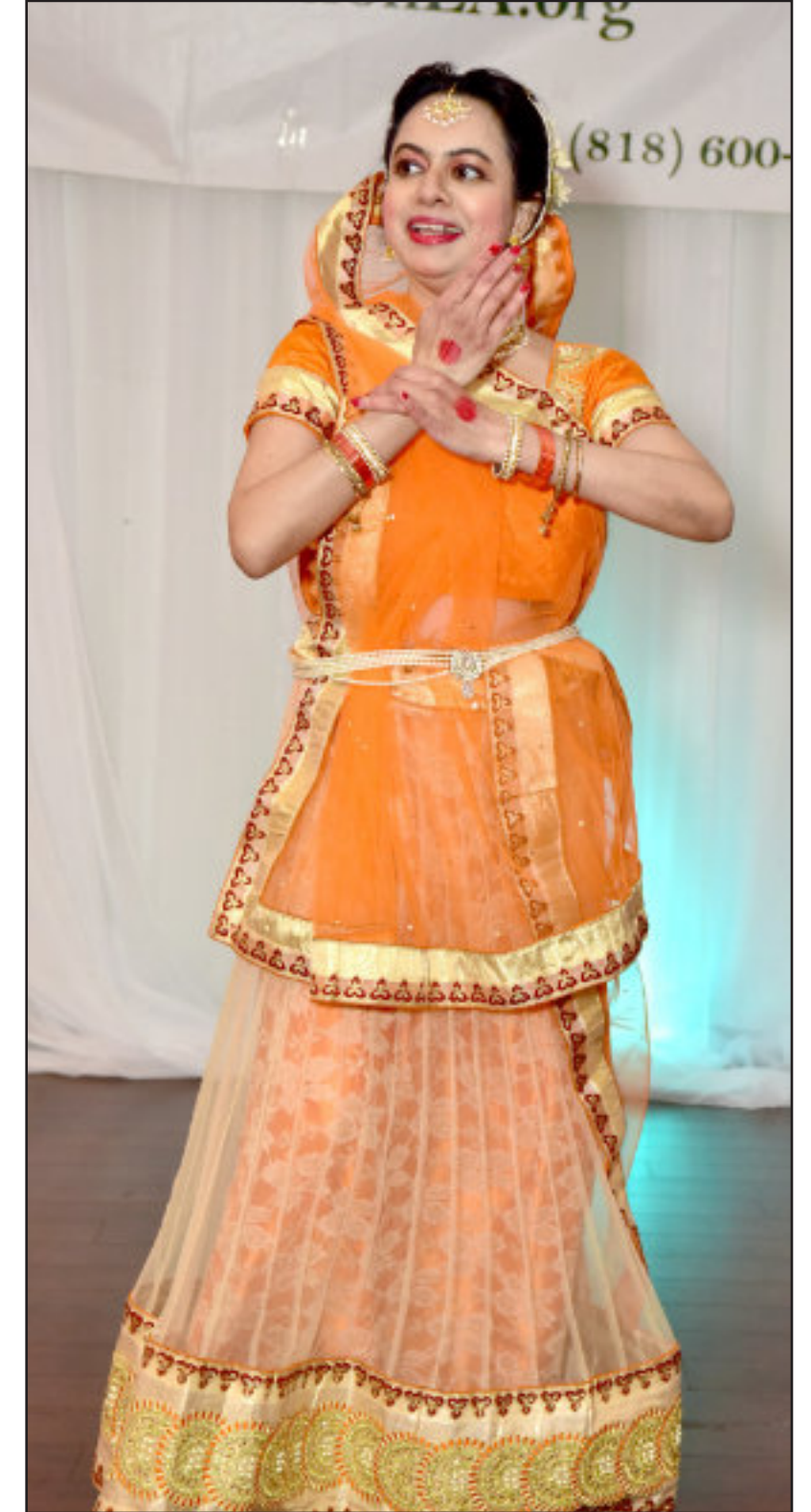
Paramita achieved few steps towards her goal of educating people about Indian Kathak dance. Especially she noticed that after each of her performance many people would come up and

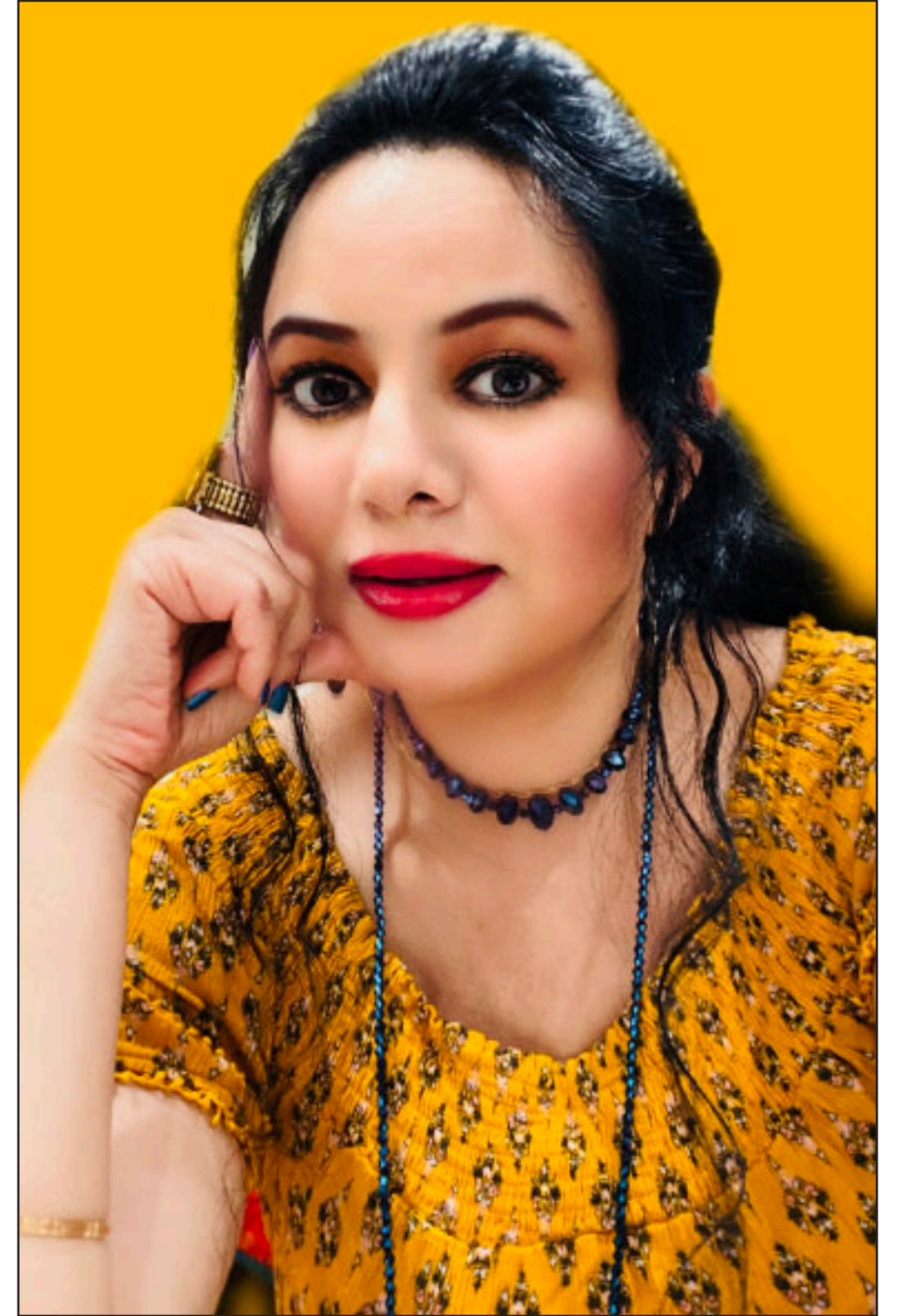
meet her backstage and would ask for joining her Kathak dance class and if the music is available for them online to at least watch it again. Paramita believes that even at least a few steps are taken at a time, and we continue working towards our goal, it will be achievable and for her it's to spread the love for 'Kathak'.

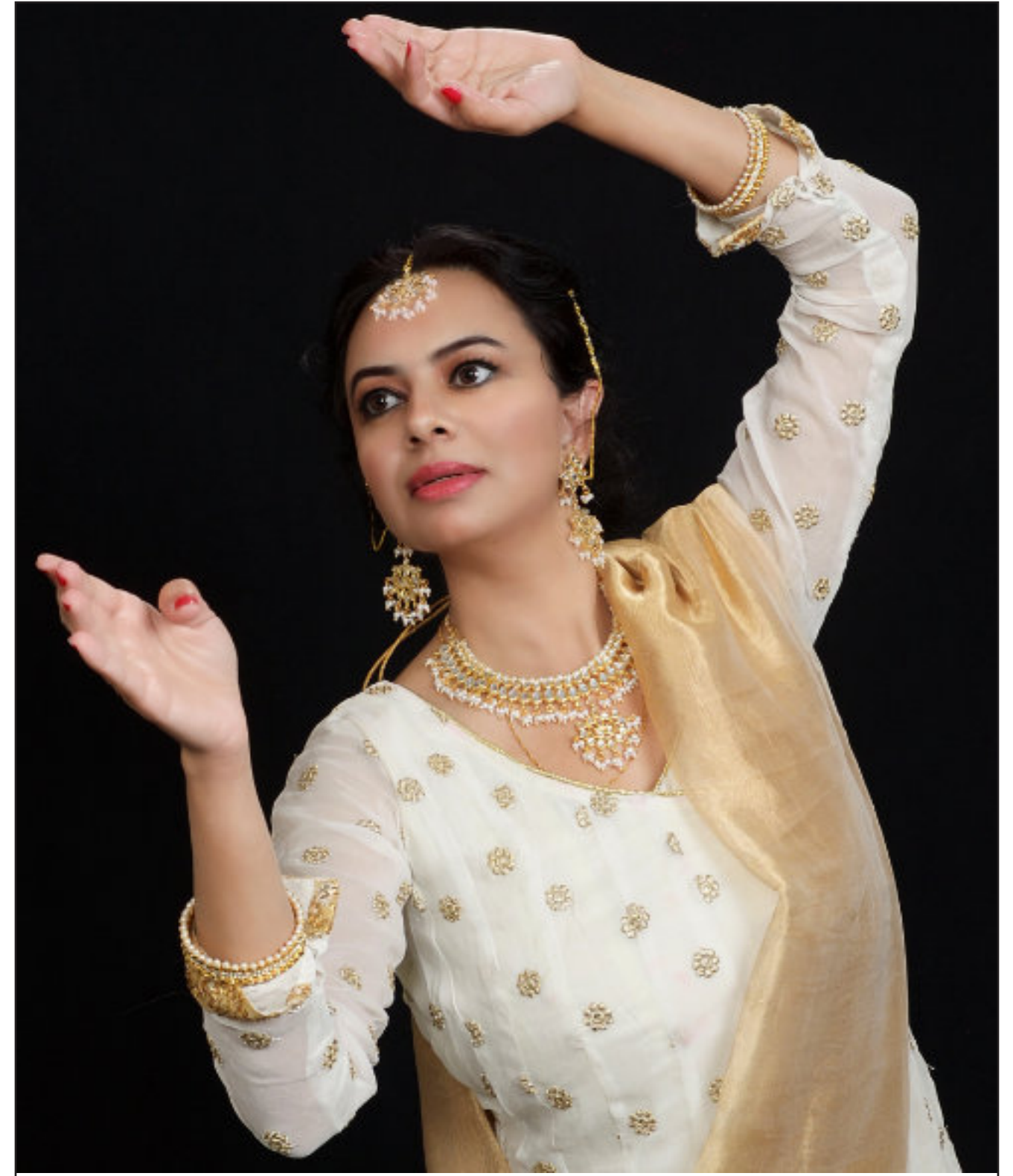
As her work got recognized by people and published in media, she finds happiness in that. She achieved awards for her dance work and commitment towards the art form including the certificate of commitment from the 'World Book of Records', London and 'Nriitya Bhushan' from India.

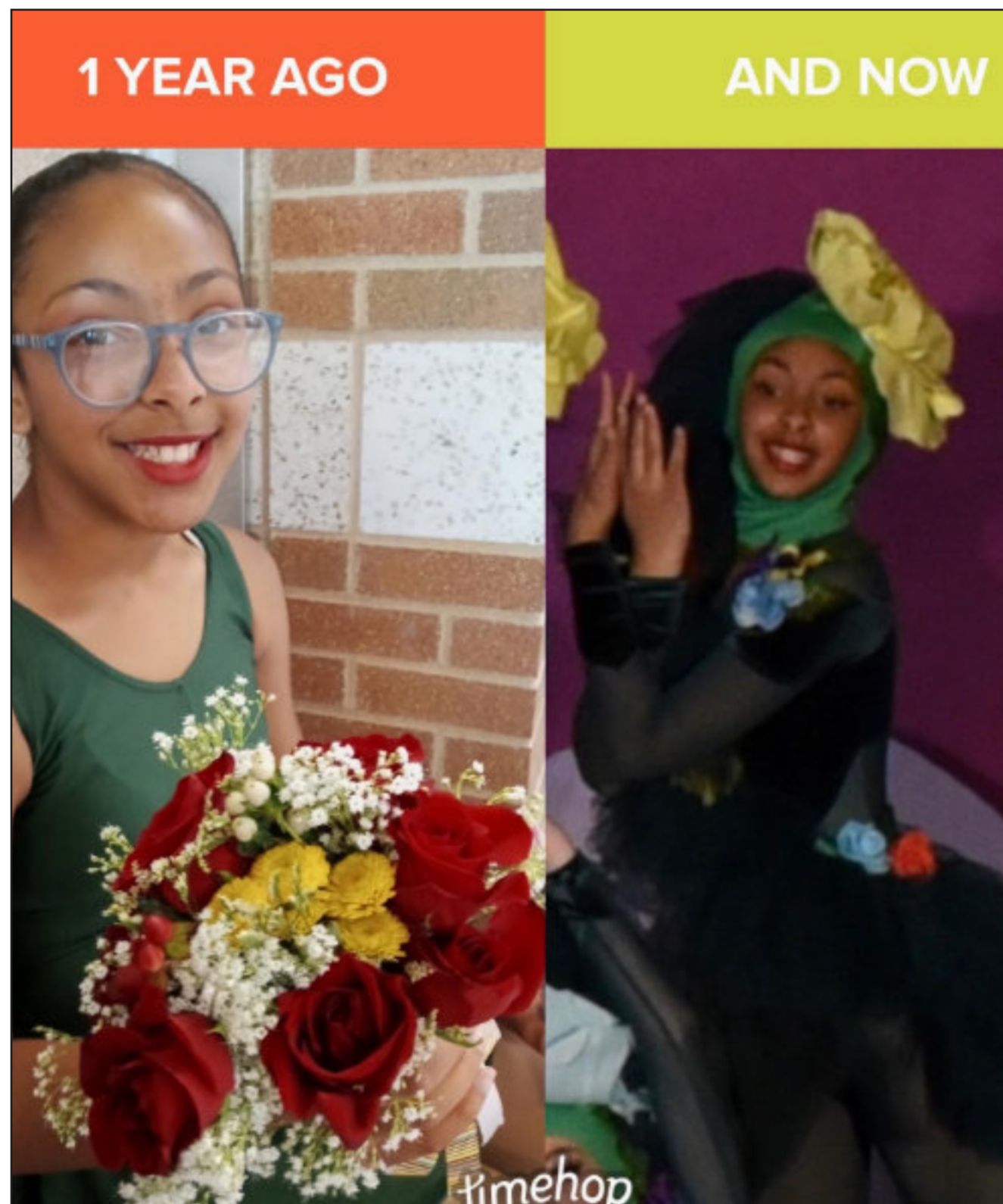
Paramita mentions many challenges she had to face initially to find a platform to showcase the Indian dance form alongside other classical dance form from the Western world. In a slow but steady manner of approaching towards her dream to find a place for Kathak dance, she started performing in many community events and then found bigger stage where she was able to showcase Kathak in front of bigger audience both Indian and non-Indian. She finds its very special when she finds an opportunity to perform for non-Indian audience because it gives her the option to exchange cultural values and establish a connection with different other people. "Also, it gives me the opportunity to make new piece of art by making fusion in Kathak with ballet, tap, and other western dance form to reach more audience", mentions Paramita.

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Hi, My Name is Raffy Lamberti I am 12 years old living in East Haven CT I am a 7th Grader. I Have Been Dancing For 11 years at The Dance Connection. I Enjoy everything About Dance from Going to Competitions to Spending time With My Friends and Learning New Things from My Amazing Dance Teachers Miss Sandee & Miss Linda when I am not at the studio I enjoy going out with My Friends and Spending time with My Family. I am also a straight A student and enjoying working with Special Needs children I was nominated for a program through School Called Tech Buddies Which allows me every day to work with special needs children learning how to manage every day life it really makes me happy to see them smile and happy when they see me coming into the classroom... I would also like to Thank My Mom Who has been My Number One Cheerleader and who has always been there for me along with my Poppy & Grandma & I would

also like to Thank My Aunt Who's Been My Number one Supporter through Everything ❤️ ❤️ .. Throughout My Dancing Came a lot of Challenges but through the Support of Miss Sandee & Miss Linda pushing me & Supporting me I have become the Dancer that I see Everyday and I can't Thank them enough for Bringing out My passion for Dance my confidence & My Sassy Self 😊 😊.. I also want to give a shout out to Miss Kelly for giving me the Opportunity to Work With her over the Summer at the Shubert theater in New Haven in The awesome production of Beauty & The Beast Jr. it was lots of fun & I Definitely met so many amazing Friends & I Definitely got to try Different areas of the theater that I really Enjoyed I can't wait till Summer 2023 to See what's In Store for Me .

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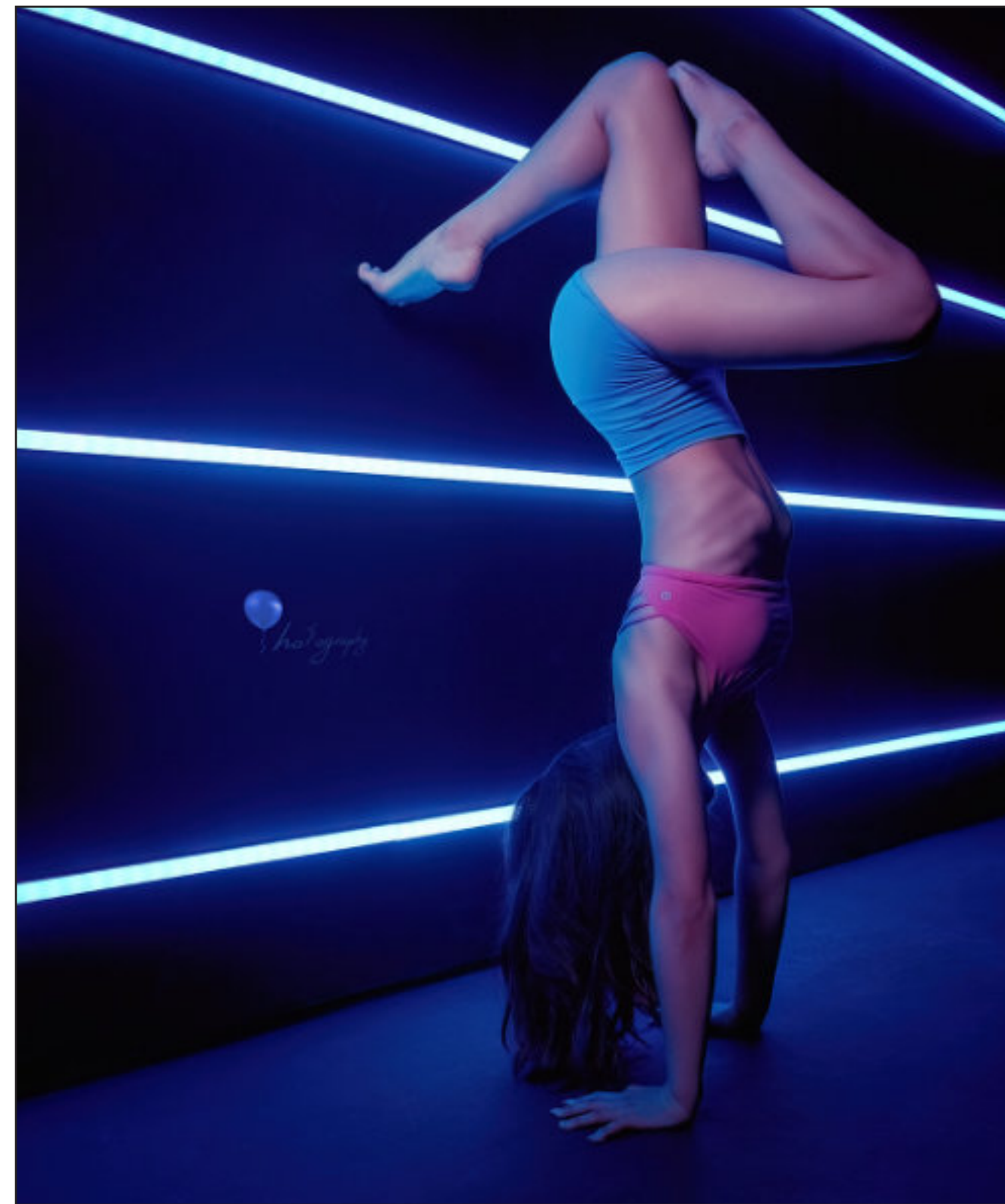


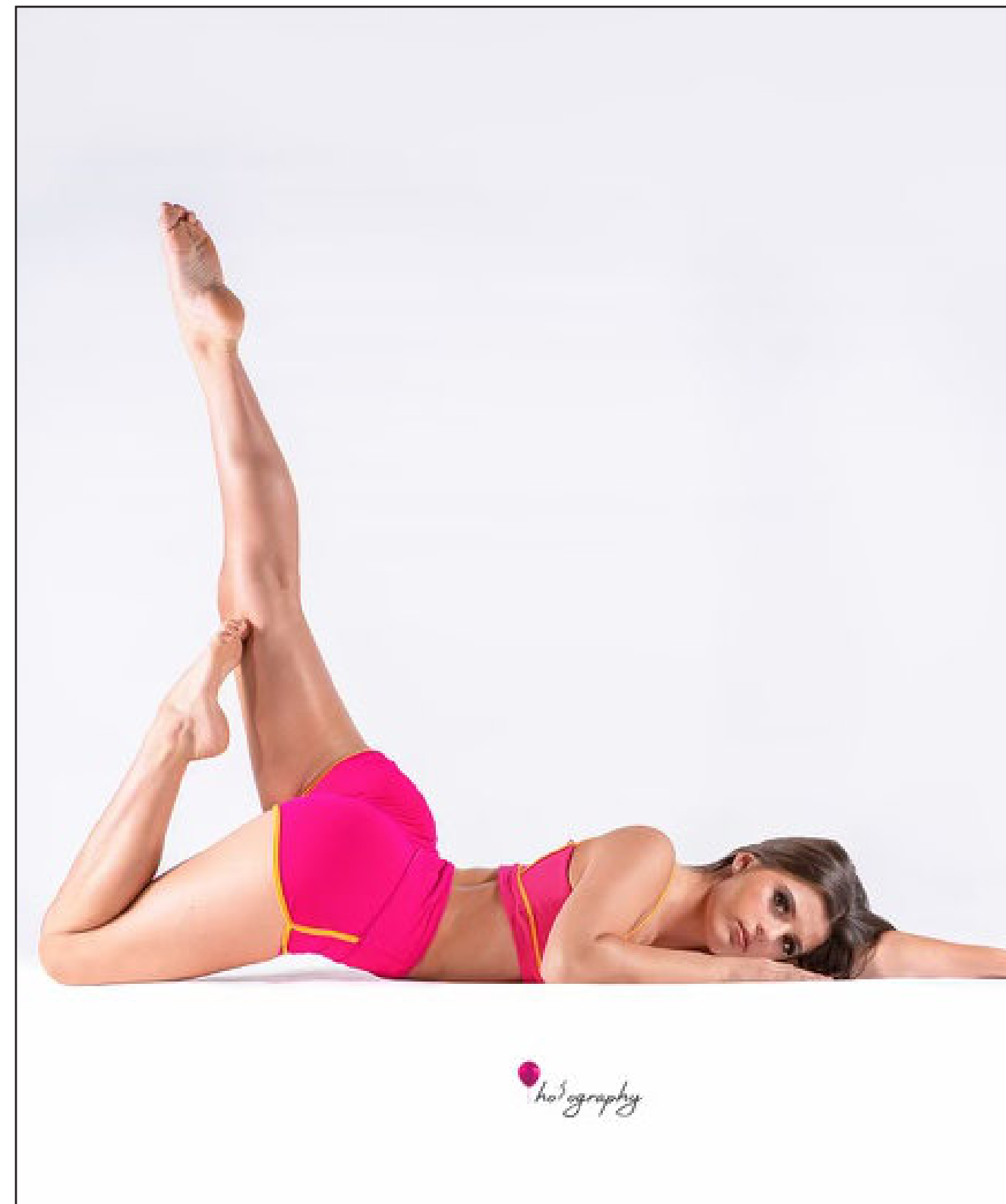
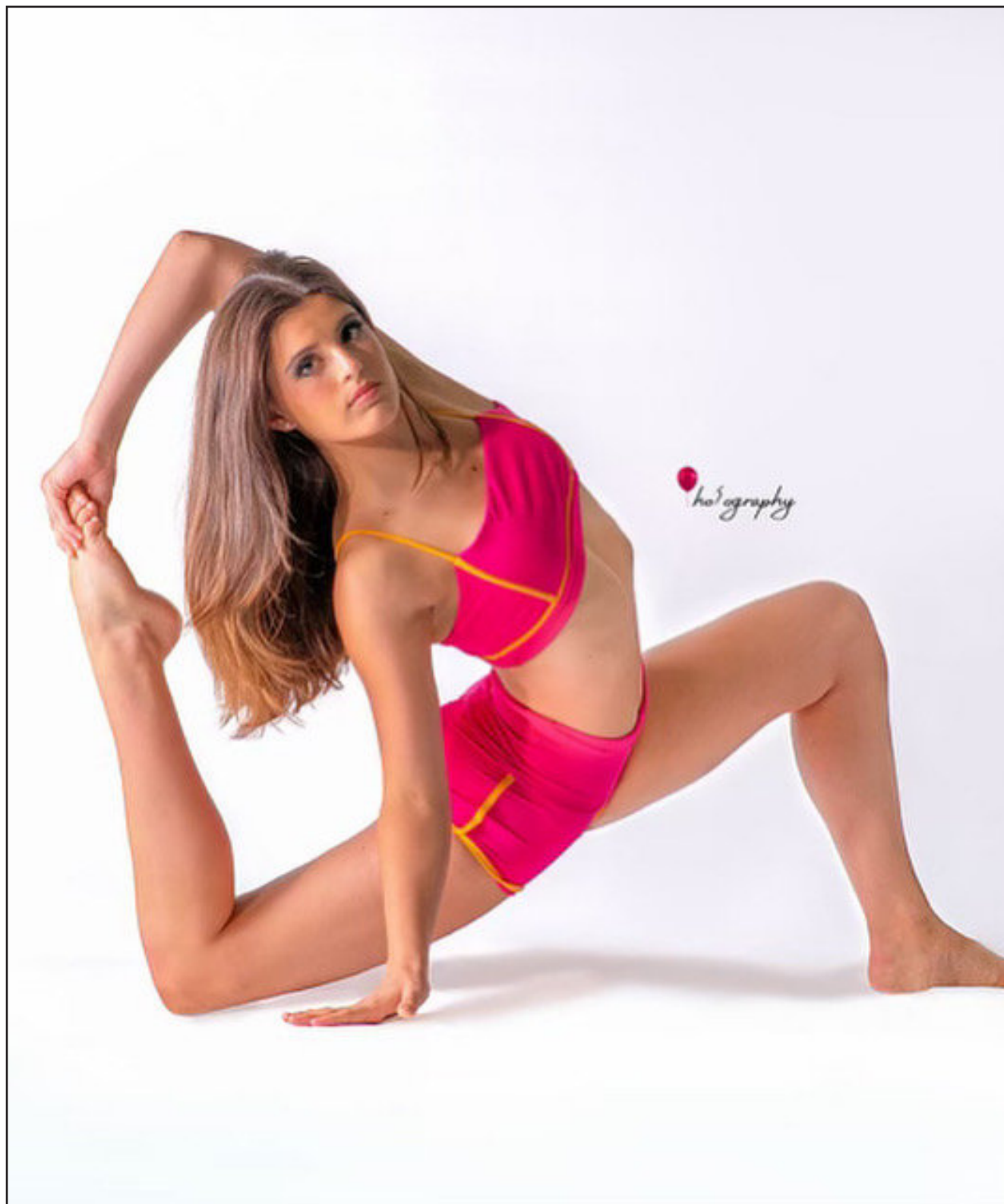


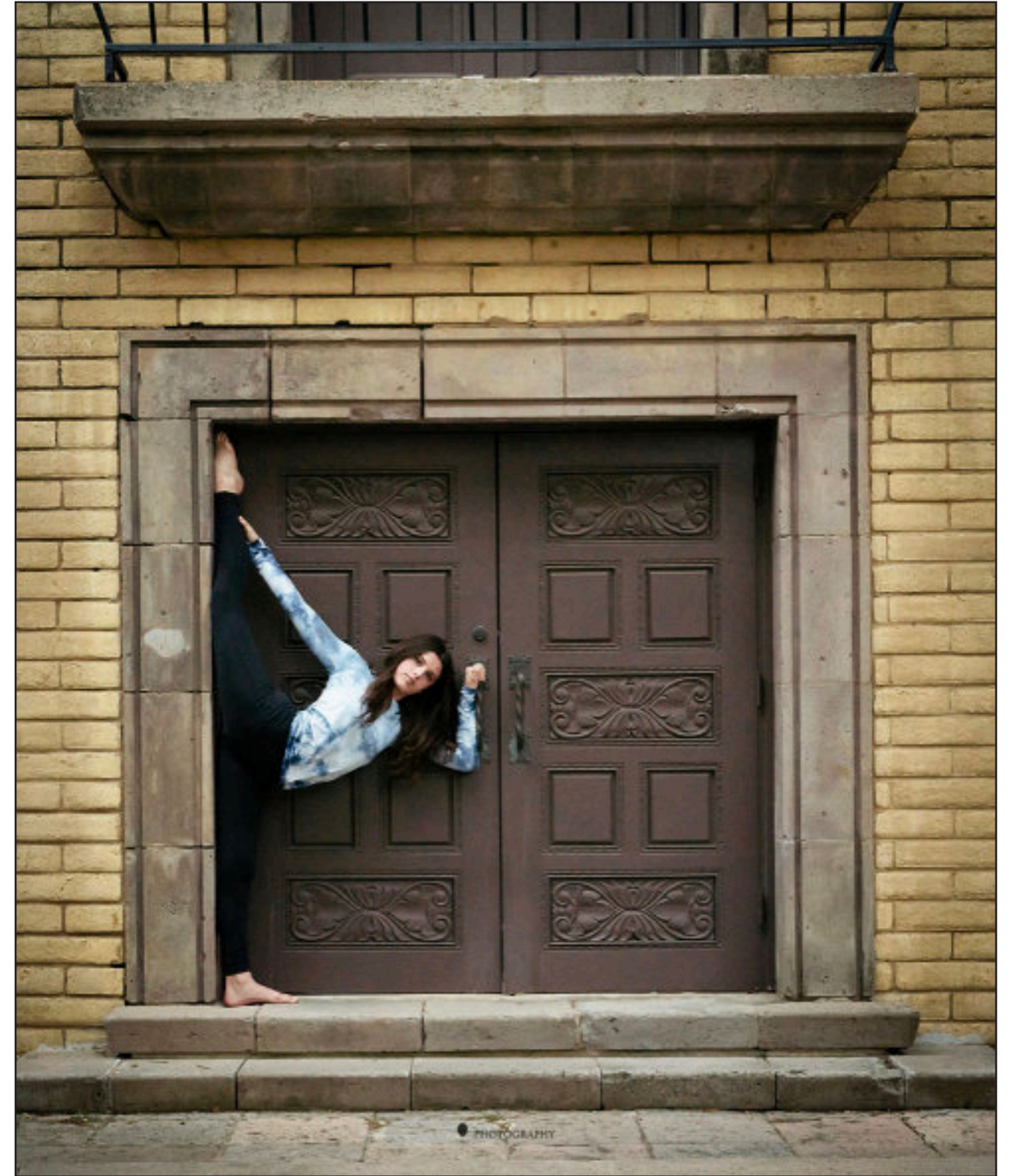
# Sophie Powell

My name is Sophie, I currently dance with a company in Dallas. I hope to continue dance in college and even after that! I am so excited for this opportunity!

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Dancing to me is everything. My mantra is "there are shortcuts to happiness and dancing is one of them" I spend 6 days a week at the studio and love every minute of it. In my spare time I love to do photoshoots for the brands I represent.

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