

# Vanessa Raffaele

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## PERSONAL INFORMATION

Height: 5'6"

Hair: Dark brown

Eyes: Dark brown

## COMPANY EXPERIENCE

### Good Time Entertainment

July 2021- present

Animator/Entertainer/Dancer

### Marie-Christine Giordano Dance

2020 – present

Apprentice and Associate Video Artist

## PERFORMANCE EXPERIENCE

Show	Date	Role/Piece	Choreographer	Location
<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) "order, ?, turbulence, shift, return= △*"	Sam Kenney Bliss Kohlmyer	Fredonia, NY

<i>Fringe Festival</i>	2018	“The Painter” “Elemental Enormity”	Corinne Fallone Erin DeLucia-Benson, <i>DeLucia Benson Dance</i>	Rochester, NY
<i>SUNY Impact Foundation Inauguration Dinner</i>	2018	“Just Because”	Paula J Peters	New York, NY
<i>BFA Senior Recitals</i>	2018 2017	“Perception or Intention” “Synthesis”	Rachel Prikazsky Ilana Lieberman	Fredonia, NY
<i>Jazz Dance in America</i>	2017	“Current Times” “60s/70s” “30s/40s”	Paula J Peters	Fredonia, NY
<i>Full Circle: Orchesis Fall Show</i>	2016	“Flirting With Narcissism” “Land of the Free, Home of the Brave”	Tess Grovesnor J. Stefan Uveges	Fredonia, NY

\*\*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

**Peridance Center – International Dance School: Dance Studies Program** 2019 – 2020

Instructors: Steven Blandino, Igal Perry, Vivake Khamsingsavath, Elisabetta Minutoli,  
Brice Mousset, Laura Bernasconi, Guanglei Hui, Billy Blanken

**Fredonia State University – BFA Dance** 2015 – 2019

Professors: Paula J Peters, Sam Kenney, Angelika Summerton, Helen Myers,  
Angela Di Fiore, Terri Beck

**Ballet Prestige** 2013 – 2015

Instructors: Katherine Johnson, Julianne Deming, Janet Wentling, Zachary Frazee  
Classes: Ballet, Pointe, Contemporary

**Hochstein School of Music and Dance** 2012 – 2013

Instructors: Diane Lewis, Christopher Morrison  
Classes: Ballet, Pointe, Modern

**Croatian National Theatre “Ivan Zajc” (Croatia)** 2004 – 2006

Instructors: Oksana Brandibura

Classes: Ballet, Pointe

**Dance Club (Italy)**

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

**Arch Contemporary Ballet**, Summer Intensive

2018

**Broadway Dance Center**, Summer Intensive

2018

Sheila Barker, Karla Puno Garcia, Michael Cusumano, Stacie Webster

**Callan Bergmann, Richard Hinds, Betsy Struxness** (Musical Theatre)

2018

**Catherine Cabeen** (Contemporary), **James Levy** (Hip-hop), **10 Hairy Legs**, Randy James

2017

**Lehrer Dance**, Jon Lehrer

2015-2018

**Joffrey Ballet School**, NYC Ballet Intensive

2016

**Point Park University**, International Summer Dance

2016

Susan Stowe, Ben Belhumeur, Kiki Lucas, Keleigh Williams

**Taylor II**, Ruth Andrien

2016

**Rochester Broadway Theatre League**, Summer Stars

2012

Nikki Snelson, David Raimo, Jessica Dillan

**TEACHING**

**House of the Roses**

2019-present

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

Italian Native Speaker

Experience with singing and playing the piano

Web Design, photography, videography, video editing

**OTHER**

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 Theatre 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 Theatre and Dance Endowment
- Fiat Lux: Let There Be Light Scholarship
- John L. Cogdill Scholarship for Academic Excellence
- Golden Key Scholarship