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Full Name: Iaisha Babb-Essien
Dance Educator, Creative and Performer
Bachelor of Fine Arts in Dance
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Focused on quality dance training for all, Aisia uses her 17+ years of dance training to give students experiences that challenge, uplift and inspire artistry. With an emphasis on bodily awareness, somatics, jazz, and contemporary dance techniques, her choreographic work spans competition pieces, guest workshops, informal showings and recitals.

- Leadership
- Applies Feedback Instantly
- Choreography
- Video & Audio Editing
- Creative
- Memorization
- Flexibility
- Modeling Experience
- Acting
- Social Media Marketing

EDUCATION & TRAINING

2019-2023 **Bachelor of Fine Arts in Dance Magna Cum Laude, SUNY at Fredonia**

Minors in Dance Studio Administration and Women & Gender Studies
Styles: Modern, Tap, Contemporary, Ballet, Jazz & Dance Improvisation
Classes: Dance Pedagogy, Dance Kinesiology, Choreography, Somatics & Acting

2012-2019 **Various NYC Dance Programs - New York, NY**

Teachers: Guya Rainey, Rachel Watson-Jih & Darryl Richardson
Styles: Heels, Street Jazz, Hip Hop, Contemporary, Ballet, Character & Tap

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

2024-2025 **Dancer's Delite**, Dance Instructor/Choreographer

2024-2025 **Instrumix**, Senior Dance Fitness Instructor

2024-2025 **Hawaii Technology Academy**, Hip Hop Dance Enrichment Educator

2024 **Leviathan Dance Company**, Company Member
 2023-2025 **Keiki Cartwheels**, Lead Gymnastics Instructor
 2023-2024 **Hawaii Dance Arts**, Hip Hop & Jazz Dance Instructor
 2023 **McKenna Dance Academy**, Social Media & Stock Manager
 2021-2023 **Royal Majesty Dance Company**, Contemporary/Modern Technique Coach
 2022 **Rolly Pollie's of Orchard Park**, Children's Gym Instructor

SERVICE

2021-2023 Enfusion Dance Team

Executive member/president of SUNY Fredonia student-led club, duties included social media management, costume selection, fundraising, managing/directing rehearsals, organizing on/off campus performances and events.

2022 Fredonia Dance Ensemble

Rehearsal Director's Assistant for guest residency rehearsals, duties included attendance, directing rehearsals, memorizing formations and taking notes for choreographers.

2021-2022 Fredonia Student Dance Organization

Executive member of SUNY Fredonia student organization for dancers, duties included social media management, event creation, and community outreach.

2019 BFA Dance Senior Capstone

Assistant Stage Manager of undergraduate BFA in Dance Senior Capstones, duties included crowd/staff management, cast/crew liaison and ensuring a smooth run of show.

GUEST WORKSHOPS

Farrington Highschool

Hawaii Dance Arts

MUSIC VIDEOS

K9Armani,

Model

Nia Monet

Dancer

STAGE EXPERIENCE

2024-2025 The Bounty Dance Team

Henry Harrison & Isabella Herron

World of Dance Competition Best Theme Winner

Vill Dance Co Recital

Kaamaina Christmas Mall Performance

2024 Leviathan Dance Company

Maria Hourar

Mother Tongue

LDC Benefit Showcase

2023 Peaceful Summer Jam

Charles Smith

Lil Mama

2019-2022 **Fredonia Dance Ensemble**

Pa'lante

Community.. It's Time

Limited Visibility

Strict Love

2019-2023 **BFA Dance Senior Projects**

Alfonso Cervera & Irvin Gonzalez

Carlos Jones

Christopher K. Morgan

Doug Varone

PUBLIC SPEAKING EXPERIENCE

Manifest It! Vision Board Party

Inclusion & Diversity Women's Walk