

# MARISSA THOMAS

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## EDUCATION

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- *Bachelor of Fine Arts, Dance Degree, The Ohio State University*, Columbus, OH, anticipated May 2019
  - GPA: 3.92
  - Minors in Society and Environmental Issues and Nonprofit Management

## EXPERIENCE

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### **Dancing Wheels Company & School**

Cleveland, OH

#### *Apprentice*

July 2019 – present

- Performing in company productions and presenting in teaching demonstrations
- Serving as a teaching aide for the Youth Arts Summer Camp 2019
- Engaging with communities as an advocate for accessibility

### **Hubbard Street Dance Chicago**

Chicago, IL

#### *Summer Chaperone*

June 2019 – July 2019

- Served as a mentor and resource for nearly 50 dancers aged 13-18 as part of HSDC's Advanced Intensive
- Responsible for the health and safety of students at both the residence hall and the studio

### **Hixon Dance**

Columbus, OH

#### *Company Member*

Aug. 2018 – May 2019

- Performed in company productions and presented in teaching demonstrations for students and young dancers
- Supported in community events led by the company as a teaching aide and production crew

### **Ohio State University – Office of Student Life – Office of Residence Life**

Columbus, OH

#### *Resident Advisor*

Aug. 2017 – May 2019

- Served as a mentor and resource for nearly 80 college students in Blackburn House
- Responsible for resident support, community development, and crisis management

### **Ohio State University – Department of Dance – School Tour Group**

Columbus, OH

#### *Company Member*

Jan. 2018 – Apr. 2018

- Gained teaching experience through teaching dance master classes for K-12 dancers
- Performed in the School Tour Group for students at 11 schools in the Columbus area

### **Cuyahoga Community College – Creative Arts Academy**

Cleveland, OH

#### *Apprenticeship*

June 2017 – July 2017

- Acted as a teaching assistant and mentor for nearly 50 young dancers aged 5-15 at the Summer Dance Camp
- Assisted in administrative support and crisis management

## TRAINING

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### **The Ohio State University**

Columbus, OH

#### *Dance B.F.A. Program*

Aug. 2015 – May 2019

- Contemporary, Modern, Ballet, Improvisation, and Choreography
- Instructors: Susan Hadley, Crystal M. Perkins, Edward Taketa, Daniel Roberts, Ann Sofie Clemmensen

### **Cleveland School of the Arts**

Cleveland, OH

#### *Dance Major*

Aug. 2009 – May 2015

- Modern (Horton Technique), Ballet, and Jazz
- Instructors: Terence Greene, Kay Eichman, Erich Yetter, Aseelah Allen

### **School of Cleveland Ballet**

Cleveland, OH

#### *Cleveland Ballet Youth Company*

Aug. 2012 – May 2015

- Ballet and Pointe
- Instructor: Gladisa Guadalupe