

**maxine patterson
school of dance**

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The Dance Chronicles



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2:00pm & 4:30pm
Savannah Civic Center

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Let's Get It Started . . .

There once was a little girl named Maxine Dermer who loved to dance. Her mother Ruth enrolled all of her children in dance class. Once Maxine danced her first eight counts she knew this is where she belonged. She was an immediate standout. **Jewels**

Maxine danced at Rosalie Cotler School of Dance and at the age of 8 was a teacher's assistant. At that point she realized she wanted to teach. Her parents said that she would change her mind a million times but she never did. **Jam On It, Rock Steady**

At an early age, Maxine not only danced but was an avid bowler who won several tournaments and was great in hula hoop contests. She was also a seamstress who made most of her own clothes.

Cosmic Girl, Funky Pants

As a teenager in the early 60s, Maxine was a charter member of Ballet South and Savannah Ballet Guild and still continued dancing at Rosalie's studio. **Shake, Rattle and Roll**

The term "Eat Sleep Dance" was an understatement. Maxine would break in Pointe shoes for dancers at Savannah Ballet because she had such strong legs from attending class daily.

Crazier, Rock That Body. Her dance experiences through the direction of Terrell Paulk, Robert Ivey, and Don Cantwell allowed her to love the art of dance even more.

Czardes, Spanish Princesses, La Primavera

In October of '66, Maxine met her true love Don at a bowling alley. It was love at first sight. **Carnival**

After dating for two years, Don proposed to Maxine in December of '68 and they married in June of '69.

Once Upon A December, Rose Petals

Maxine continued teaching for Rosalie as well as began teaching at Hunter Army Air Base. She worked at Sears & Roebuck and worked at C&S Bank where she was awarded by her co-workers the "Silver Telephone" because she constantly talked on the phone to customers, family and friends.

Telephone, Videophone, Just Got Paid

In September of '69, Maxine decided to open her own studio. It was a gamble because so many other dance studios were already established at that time. **Poker Face**

She taught for two-years at the May Street YMCA. Her first recital was in May 1970 at Savannah State at the Kennedy Fine Arts Center where she gave proceeds to a scholarship fund. She moved to the Unitarian Church and taught in the basement of the church for one year where she quickly out grew the space. Next stop was Asbury Church where she taught in the basement for two years. She then moved to Bull Street studio owned by the Greek Orthodox Church.

Mercy!

Maxine finally returned to her roots by moving her dance studio to Lincoln Street where she danced as a teen for Ballet South. Years later she added a second location at the Jewish Education Alliance. **The Lord of the Rings, The Distance**

Besides her family, dance is her love followed by the lights and sounds of New York. In one word . . . **BROADWAY**. You name it she has seen it **King of New York** (from Broadway musical "Newsies"), **Puttin' On The Ritz** (from Broadway musical "Young Frankenstein"). She also loves the sounds of **Disney Circle of Life, Alice in Wonderland.**

Maxine taught at Gadsen Elementary for 20 years. Along with her dance classes at the studio and JEA she is currently teaching at Charles Ellis Montessori Academy, Heard Elementary, Jacob G. Smith Elementary, Maggie's Morning School and Savannah Country Day School.

Among her numerous studio dance awards she was honored by Urban Christian Academy for Outstanding Achievement in the Black Community in the Spring of '95. She was also recognized by the Economic Opportunity Authority (EOA) in 2007 for her contributions in the community. She was named Hometown Hero in 2005 and is also a member of the Black Heritage Festival Committee.

Maxine is the mother of two children Brian and Laura. Her daughter Laura danced at Rosalie Cotler's studio for many years then during her high school years Laura decided to dance at her mother's studio. Now Maxine teaches a 2nd generation of children of her former students.

All Maxine ever wanted to do is teach children the art of dance. She has successfully done that for 40 years but what is even more of a success is her ability to teach a child about themselves and their unlimited potential not only as a dancer but as a person.

Maxine Patterson

Daughter
Sister
Mother
Teacher
Mentor

American Woman

WOW! I can't believe that I have been teaching young people the love of dance for forty years and maybe a few other life lessons along the way. I truly love every minute of my job. Thank you to all of my parents and students, past, present, and future for helping make this career possible. A big thank you goes out to all of my instructors. You are the best and I love you all. Hopefully, we will have many more years together. I hope to have all of my students back in the Fall for class.

Maxine Patterson

FUTURE STARS

PROJECTION Ashley Case, Robin Hicks, Cathy Miller, Michael Namatinia

L Foot R Foot Caroline Ansley, Kate Bossler, Carlyle Buevas-Rollins, Payton Burke, Natalie Desaulniers, Gracelyn Fernandez, Jillian Layser, Ellie Nease, Gigi Oliver-Smith, Agni Papaconstantincu, Lily Siplon

Little Bitty Pretty One Aryanna Collins, Davita Cossey, Re'Yanna Crumbley, Kayla Hicks, Dyere Holsey, Ashley Pointer, Marra Rawls, Arriyah Ross, Kailah Smith, DeAndrea Wright

Mambo # 5 Tamia Arrington, Angela Conner, Jadah Fredrick, Ayanna Green, Ty'Zaneka Green, Jordyne Lewis, Dezerai McFadden, Timirrah Reed, Samyah Sams, Nautica Sapp

Rainbow Connection Eriana Anderson, Tamiia Brown, Da'Sani Godwin, Zion Green, Elyse Jackson, Kameira Martin, Jazmine Mobley, T'aja Peterson, Stacia Phillips, Jenniya Sams, Gabrielle Trappio, Taylor Wilson

Syncopated Clock Fiona Ard-Kelly, Jordan Gibbons, Haley Hannah, Samantha Jones, Maia Lint, Ryan Smith

Zippa Dee Doo Dah Bha'Vana Andra, Za'Nya Jenkins, Niki Karfakis, Devin Moser, Madison Paruso, Kalilah Simard, Kaitlin Smith, Madeleine Suszynski, Tyana Torres

I Gotta Feeling Erykah Bostic, Elizabeth Byrd, Rosana Field, Alaija Merritt, Aminata Sette, Sydney Shreck, Miakailyn Singleton

Beauty & the Beast Sanai Chishol, Lauren Davis, Hamara Downs, Kelissa Gillison, Heaven Hunt, Paris Jackson, Laila Manker, Shanell Wilkerson, Antwaynette Williams

Reflection Aniyah Jackson, Bella Oliver-Smith, Kayla Perry, Sarah Pine, Jordan Ruben, Mataiya sanders, Shatel Sanders, Serenity Taylor

Cool Jerk Aryanna Collins, Davita Cossey, Re'Yanna Crumbley, Kayla Hicks, Dyere Holsey, Ashley Pointer, Marra Rawls, Arriyah Ross, Kailah Smith, DeAndrea Wright

Blame It On the Boogie Tamia Arrington, Angela Conner, Jadah Fredrick, Ayanna Green, Ty'Zaneka Green, Jordyne Lewis, Dezerai McFadden, Timirrah Reed, Samyah Sams, Nautica Sapp

Small World Bha'Vana Andra, Za'Nya Jenkins, Niki Karfakis, Devin Moser, Madison Paruso, Kalilah Simard, Kaitlin Smith, Madeleine Suszynski, Tyana Torres

Princess Tap Eriana Anderson, Tamiia Brown, Da'Sani Godwin, Zion Green, Elyse Jackson, Kameira Martin, Jazmine Mobley, T'aja Peterson, Stacia Phillips, Jenniya Sams, Gabrielle Trappio, Taylor Wilson

Jungle Boogie Liz Brown, Maylyn Chiang, Jocelyn Howard, Ayomi Israel, Kayla Navarro, D'Nisha Small

Belle of the Ball Taraji Baker, Ellissa Borak, Kaiya Bryant, Charle'a Champion, Norah Hamilton, Olivia Jones, Za'Niyah Kemp, Aalayah King, Sophie Roach, Jailyn Scofield, Crystin Walker, Morgan Williams

Over the Rainbow Caroline Ansley, Kate Bossler, Carlyle Buevas-Rollins, Payton Burke, Natalie Desaulniers, Gracelyn Fernandez, Jillian Layser, Ellie Nease, Gigi Oliver-Smith, Agni Papaconstantincu, Lily Siplon

Tarantella Bha'Vana Andra, Za'Nya Jenkins, Niki Karfakis, Devin Moser, Madison Paruso, Kalilah Simard, Kaitlin Smith, Madeleine Suszynski, Tyana Torres

Baby Take a Bow Sanai Chishol, Lauren Davis, Hamara Downs, Kelissa Gillison, Heaven Hunt, Paris Jackson, Laila Manker, Shanell Wilkerson, Antwaynette Williams

Holiday Erykah Bostic, Elizabeth Byrd, Rosana Field, Alaija Merritt, Aminata Sette, Sydney Shreck, Miakailyn Singleton

Consider Yourself Fiona Ard-Kelly, Jordan Gibbons, Haley Hannah, Samantha Jones, Maia Lint, Ryan Smith

Broadway Baby Aniyah Jackson, Bella Oliver-Smith, Kayla Perry, Sarah Pine, Jordan Ruben, Mataiya sanders, Shatel Sanders, Serenity Taylor

If You Can Dream Kani Bryant, Aryanna Collins, Davita Cossey, Re'Yanna Crumbley, Kayla Hicks, Dyere Holsey, Ashley Pointer, Marra Rawls, Arriyah Ross, Kailah Smith, DeAndrea Wright

Rondo Tamia Arrington, Angela Conner, Jadah Fredrick, Ayanna Green, Ty'Zaneka Green, Jordyne Lewis, Dezerai McFadden, Timirrah Reed, Samyah Sams, Nautica Sapp

Flower Waltz Erykah Bostic, Liz Brown, Elizabeth Byrd, Arielle Carter, Maylyn Chiang, Rosana Field, Jocelyn Howard, Ayomi Israel, Alaija Merritt, Kayla Navarro, Riley O'Sullivan, Aminata Sette, Mikailyn Singleton, D'Nisha Small

Grand Finale

Dance Varieties

Let's Get It Started Zoe Bailey, Trinity Brisbane, Shelby Brown, Kani Bryant, America Drew, Jayla Fisher, Amisha Grant, Maria Lotson, Ashley Roberts, Kimora Scott, Penny Smalls, Anye Terry, Kennedi Wilson

Rock That Body J'Lyn Brown, Chidinma Chukwekere, Chioma Chukwekere, Imani Jefferson, Karen King, Elona Montano, Mya Owens, Valyre Thomas, Deja Waldrop, Devon Ware

Rock Steady Wendy Delano, Lisa Doyle, Faith Givens, Lucia Newberry, Debbie Smith, Misha Thomason

The Distance Megan Bostic, Eboni Coxon, Aniah Daniels, Emonie Gordon, DeAsia Green, Chantel Lewis-Cummings, Heaven Mells, Sky Miller, Quanikqua Moultrie, SaBryah Porter, SaQuira Porter, Ja'Vonna Scott, Desiree Smokes, Carmen Thomas

La Primavera Vania Brown, Hannah Filson, Brittney Mixon, Shakera Roper

Lilac Fairies DeSheana Ashley, Paige Austin, Briana Bell-Fulton, Kayla Campbell, Briana Dempsey, Kayla Haymon, Lauren Jackson, My'Resha Williams

December Zoe Bailey, Trinity Brisbane, America Drew, Amisha Grant, Maria Lotson, Ashley Roberts, Kimora Scott, Penny Smalls, Anye Terry, Kennadi Wilson

Czardas Jeavonni Brisbon, Hollis Brown, Ivana Brown, Vania Brown, JaBria Cooper, Davida Daniels, Hannah Filson, Sierra Garvin, Lindsey Mitchell, Brittney Mixon, Dana Outing, Tadazsia Petterson-Brown, Samarea Price, TiaMat Reed, Shakera Roper, Cierra Smith, Akeelia Williams

Jam On It (Cooper) Jada Brown, Hannah Challenger, Breyonna Cole, JauDasia Grimes, Sahera Howard, Briana Jackson, Chyteria Jones, Gabrielle Lewis, Latoya Manigo, Tiara Sanders
(Fuschia) Jaelin Cummings, Deja Gillans, Hanah daCruz, Taylor Moore, Vani Nair, Kristhea Smith, Raven Williams

Cosmic Girl Megan Bostic, Eboni Coxon, Aniah Daniels, Emonie Gordon, DeAsia Green, Chantel Lewis-Cummings, Heaven Mells, Sky Miller, Quanikqua Moultrie, SaBryah Porter, SaQuira Porter, Ja'Vonna Scott, Desiree Smokes, Carmen Thomas

Just Got Paid DeSheana Ashley, Kayla Campbell, Briana Dempsey, Kerrington Gillard, Keyanna Glover, Kayla Haymon, Lauren Jackson, Leah Jackson, Ayanna Jones, JaQuana Jones, Khadija Smalls, Alexis Williams, Clarice Williams, My'Resha Williams

Circle of Life Jeavonni Brisbon, Hollis Brown, JaBria Cooper, Jaelin Cummings, Sierra Garvin, Lindsey Mitchell, Tadazsia Petterson-Brown, Samarea Price, TiaMat Reed, Cierra Smith

Alice In Wonderland KeyShauna Blackwell, Chidinma Chukwekere, Chioma Chukwekere, Elona Montano, Mya Owens, Eyana Thomas, Deja Waldrop, Devon Ware

Jewels Justace Arkwright, Tiffany Campbell, Iyana Chalmers, Adrianna Fisher, Kerrington Gilliard, Ta'Lah Hall, Alexis Halston, Isis Howard, Ayanna Jones, NKenge Mitchell

Funky Pants Jada Brown, Hannah Challenger, Breyonna Cole, JauDasia Grimes, Sahera Howard, Briana Jackson, Chyteria Jones, Gabrielle Lewis, Latoya Manigo, Tiara Sanders

Mercy Briana Bell-Fulton, Ivana Brown, Audrey Chiver, Kiajana Hooker, Danielle Maxwell, Dikira Peebles, shaker Roper, Charmele Thomas, Akeelia Williams

Poker Face Jeavonni Brisbon, Hollis Brown, JaBria Cooper, Sierra Garvin, Amanda Grant, Lindsey Mitchell, Dana Outing, Tadazsia Patterson-Brown, Samarea Price, TiaMat Reed, Cierra Smith **with:** Jaelin Cummings, Deja Gillans, Hannah daCruz, Taylor Moore Raven Williams

INTERMISSION TEN (10) MINUTES

Crazier Jeavonni Brisbon, Hollis Brown, JaBria Cooper, Jaelin Cummings, Sierra Garvin, Lindsey Mitchell, Tadazsia Petterson-Brown, Samarea Price, TiaMat Reed, Cierra Smith, Brittney Mixon, NKenge Mitchell, Akeelia Williams, Danielle Maxwell, Rachel Blue

Puttin' On the Ritz J'Lyn Brown, Chidinma Chukwekere, Chioma Chukwekere, Imani Jefferson, Karen King, Elona Montano, Mya Owens, Valyre Thomas, Deja Waldrop, Devon Ware

King of New York Zoe Bailey, Trinity Brisbane, Shelby Brown, Kani Bryant, America Drew, Jayla Fisher, Amisha Grant, Maria Lotson, Ashley Roberts, Kimora Scott, Penny Smalls, Anye Terry, Kennadi Wilson

Carnival Jeavonni Brisbon, Hollis Brown, Ivana Brown, Vania Brown, JaBria Cooper, Hannah Filson, Sierra Garvin, Lindsey Mitchell, Brittney Mixon, Dana Outing, Tadazsia Petterson-Brown, Samarea Price, TiaMat Reed, Shakera Roper, Cierra Smith, Akeelia Williams

We're in the Money DeSheana Ashley, Kayla Campbell, Briana Dempsey, Kerrington Gilliard, Keyanna Glover, Kayla Haymon, Lauren Jackson, Leah Jackson, JaQuana Jones, Khadija Smalls, Alexis Williams, Clarice Williams, My'Resha Williams

Shake, Rattle, and Roll Justace Arkwright, Selena Bowers, Tiffany Campbell, Iyana Chalmers, Adrianna Fisher, Ta'Lah Hall, Alexis Halston, Isis Howard, Russell McGrath, NKenge Mitchell, Brittney Mixon

Spanish Princess Megan Bostic, Jada Brown, Hannah Challenger, Breyonna Cole, Jayla Fisher, JauDasis Grimes, Sahera Howard, Briana Jackson, Leah Jackson, Chyteria Jones, Latoya Manigo, SaBryah Porter, Tiara Sanders

Rose Petals Jaelin Cummings, Deja Gillans, Olivia Johnson-Liu, Madison Lambert, Taylor Moore, Kristhea Smith, Raven Williams

Videophone KeyShauna Blackwell, Tadazia Patterson-Brown, Audrey Chiver, Breyonna Cole, JaBria Cooper, JauDasia Grimes, Jasmine Jackson, Imani Jefferson, Gruenetter Marrow, Ashley Roberts, Anye Terry, Eyanna Thomas, Akeelia Williams

Telephone Justace Arkwright, Selena Bowers, Tiffany Campbell, Iyana Chalmers, Adrianna Fisher, Ta'Lah Hall, Alexis Halston, Isis Howard, Russell McGrath, NKenge Mitchell, Brittney Mixon

Lord of the Rings Eboni Coxon, Aniah Daniels, Emonie Gordon, Jasmine Jackson, Chantel Lewis-Cummings, DeAsia Green, Sky Miller, Quanikqua Moultrie, Mikeela Murray, SaQuira Porter, JaVonna Scott, Desiree Smokes, Carmen Thomas

Will You Be There Rhythm in Motion performing group

Make Me Briana Bell-Fulton, Ivana Brown, Audrey Chiver, Kiajana Hooker, Danielle Maxwell, Dikira Peebles, Shakera Roper, Charmele Thomas, Akeelia Williams

Shake Your Body Down to the Ground Jaelin Cummings, Hannah daCruz, Deja Gillans, Taylor Moore, Vani Nair, Kristhea Smith, Raven Williams

American Woman Jeavonni Brisbon, Hollis Brown, JaBria Cooper, Jaelin Cummings, Sierra Garvin, Lindsey Mitchell, Tadazia Petterson-Brown, Samarea Price, TiaMat Reed, Cierra Smith, Brittney Mixon, NKenge Mitchell, Akeelia Williams, Danielle Maxwell, Rachel Blue

Grand Finale

Credits

Carnival, Czardas,
La Primavera, Spanish Princesses.

Paula Baumgartner

Alice In Wonderland, American Woman,
Circle of Life, The Lord of the Rings,
Will U Be There, Crazier.

Rachel Blue

Poker Face, Shake Rattle and Roll,
Telephone.

Stephanie Cummings

Funky Pants, In the Money, Jam On It,
Mercy, Rock Steady, Shake Your Body,
Projection.

Lisa Doyle

Just Got Paid, Make Me, Puttin' on the Ritz,
Rock That Body, Baby Take a Bow,
Little Bitty Pretty One, Beauty & the Beast,
Cool Jerk.

Robbin Dozier

Cosmic Girl, King of New York, Let's Get
Started, The Distance, Mambo #5, Rainbow
Connection, Blame It On the Boogie,
Princess Tap, Rondo.

Amanda Grant

Videophone.

Vincent Mosely

Once Upon A December, Reflection, Zippa
Dec Doo Dah, L Foot R Foot, Syncopated
Clock, I Gotta Feeling, Small World, Jungle
Boogie, Over the Rainbow, Tarantella,
Holiday, Consider Yourself, Broadway Baby,
If You Can Dream, Flower Waltz.

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Jewels, Lilac Fairies, Rose Petals, Will U Be
There, Belle of the Ball

Pam Tucker

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A Great big thank you to Mrs. Adriana Tatum-Howard for printing the programs and to Ms. Siobhan McGrath for making all of the costumes the way they should be.

*Congratulations to graduating seniors: Shaundria Deloach, Liza Ioffe,
Danielle Maxwell*

Five Year Awards

*Megan Bostic
Jeavonni Brisbon
Shelby Brown
Jaelin Cummings
Jayla Fisher
Deja Gillians
Keyanna Glover
Ta'Lah Hall
Ayanna Jones
Gabrielle Lewis
Danielle Maxwell
Quanikqua Moultrie
Timirrah Reed
Shakera Roper*

Ten Year Awards

*Briana Bell-Fulton
Selena Bowers
Ivana Brown
Vania Brown
Hannah Filson
Alexis Halston
Lindsey Mitchell
TiaMat Reed
Cierra Smith
Clarice Williams*