

GRACE DONG

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Classically trained dancer, choreographer, and teacher — Contemporary, Jazz, Hip Hop, Ballet

EXPERIENCE

Rae Studios
San Francisco, CA

Instructor & Choreographer, Contemporary— October 2021-Present

- + Teach weekly Beginner and Intermediate choreography classes to 15-20 students
- + Lead 8-week performance workshop, including choreographing, teaching, and cleaning a showcase piece for a group of 8 dancers

Freelance
Bay Area

Freelance Workshop Instructor, Contemporary — January 2022-Present

- + Teach pop-up workshops at schools, university teams, and dance studios

Innovative Styles
Stanford, CA

Company Director, Contemporary & Jazz — June 2019-June 2020

- + Directed student-run company of 20 dancers by leading rehearsals, coordinating 8 annual performances, and managing program calendar and day-to-day operations

Choreographer/Member — September 2016-June 2020

- + Choreographed 3-minute contemporary routines each year for 8-20 dancers; taught choreography and led weekly cleaning sessions in preparation for quarterly performances

Jam Pac'd
Stanford, CA

Co-founder & Director, Hip Hop — March 2018-June 2020

- + Scheduled and led team rehearsals, and handled costuming and budgets
- + Doubled team size to 25 in 1 quarter by organizing and marketing campus-wide auditions; built recruitment and leadership election processes from scratch

Stanford Dollies
Stanford, CA

Dance Team Member, Classic Jazz — March 2017-May 2018

- + 1 of 5 dancers accompanying the Stanford Band at athletics events and community rallies
- + Learned, cleaned, and performed 43 jazz routines to live music as a self-coached dance team

Yoko's Dance
Fremont, CA

Teacher, Flexibility, Jazz Technique, Ballet, Pointe — September 2015-August 2018

- + Taught weekly flexibility classes for competition students ages 5-12
- + Worked as substitute teacher for various styles for students ages 5-18

PERFORMANCES

Super Bowl 50 Halftime Show with Coldplay
Fremont Symphony Orchestra, *The Nutcracker*
London 2012 Olympics
America's Got Talent
NCAA Women's Basketball Final Four
NCAA Men's Basketball Sweet Sixteen
Valero Alamo Bowl and Halftime Show
Pac-12 Championship Football Game and Halftime Show
NCAA Women's Volleyball Championship
Stanford University Admit Weekend and Family Weekend
Full Out Studios Spring Fling
Full Out Studios Winter Ball

AWARDS

Stanford University Award of Excellence, 2020
Beach Blanket Babylon Dance Finalist, 2016

TRAINING

Full Out Studios

Hip Hop, Jazz Funk, Contemporary — Alli Fritz, Rocko Luciano, Jaylen Pea, Jess Bozzos
+ Member of competitive hip hop team INQ, directed by Fritz and Luciano

Stanford University (BS, MA)

Ballet, Contemporary — Alex Ketley, Stanford Theatre and Performing Arts Department

Yoko's Dance & Performing Arts Academy

Ballet, Pointe, Contemporary & Jazz — Yoko Young, Sonya Tayeh, Keri LaGrand, Jon Bond, Brooke Pierotti, Chris Jacobsen, Robert Duran, Alex Ketley, Dennis Caspary, Mollee Gray
+ Competed 8-12 group and solo routines each year on a national award-winning team