

## **MARINA COTTON**

HIP HOP PROGRAM CO-DIRECTOR: JR.APT, JUNIORS, & MINIS WSPA ALUMNI CLASS 2017



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Marina's love for dance began when her mom placed her in a ballet class at the young age of three. In 2013, Marina began training at WSPA in General School ballet, jazz, and hip hop. She quickly developed an affinity for hip hop and decided to pursue it solely. She worked her way through the hip hop program ranks under the direction of Jason Rillera, Matthew Montenegro, and Pat Cruz, and danced with APT in 2015, and The Company in 2017.

While earning her BA in Media Studies at the University of San Francisco, Marina continued to pursue her passion for dance by training and choreographing for The Company, APT, and Training Ground, and is currently co-directing multiple youth hip hop teams at WSPA. Marina hopes to inspire her students to have the same love for dance that she has, and to continue to serve her community through her passions.