

## **NIKIYA PEOPLES**

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Nikiya began dancing at WSPA at the age of three. She trained in several dance styles including ballet, modern/contemporary, Polynesian, tap, jazz, and hip hop. She attended summer training programs across the country including American Ballet Theatre and Joffrey Ballet, and was awarded a scholarship to attend the Washington Ballet School summer intensive. She also participated in international dance festivals with WSPA in Macau, China, and Aberdeen, Scotland. Nikiya studied dance at Chapman University for one year with a scholarship from the NYCDA College Foundation. After her freshman year, she trained full-time with Alonzo King Lines Ballet. In 2019, Nikiya graduated from the University of California, Berkeley with a BA in Media Studies. Nikiya hopes to inspire an appreciation and love for dance in the next generation of artists and movers.