

Layla Gerrish



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Professional Summary

I was accepted into Ellison Ballet Professional Training Program in New York on scholarship in 2020 when I was 16. During this time, I have been classically trained in the Vaganova Method under the guidance of world-class classical and contemporary teachers. Living overseas has been a transformative experience that has helped me to develop valuable life skills and perspective, strengthening my ability and desire to become a professional ballerina. I am a versatile dancer and strive for excellence in all that I do.

Ballet Training

2020 – Current **Ellison Ballet Professional Training Program, New York, USA**
<https://www.ellisonballet.org/professionaltrainingprogram.html>
Director: Edward Ellison
Faculty: Evgenia Singur, Jolanta Valeikaite, Bat Udval, Juan Rodriguez, Ashely Carter

2017 – 2020 **The Academy Australia, Central Coast NSW, Australia (formerly Premiere Studios)**
<https://theacademyaustralia.com.au/>
Director: Sara More
Faculty: Kahlia Mehmet-Smith, Natalie Baker, Hassan Shetta

2017 – 2019 **Australian Ballet Interstate & International Program, Melbourne, VIC, Australia**
<https://www.australianballetschool.com.au/pages/abs-itp-program>

Summer Intensives

2023 Ellison Ballet Summer Intensive & Ellison Ballet Pas De Deux Summer Intensive (6 weeks)
2022 Ellison Ballet Summer Intensive (4 weeks)
2020 School of American Ballet Summer Intensive (2 weeks)
2020 Dutch National Summer Intensive (2 weeks)

Awards & Achievements

2022 YAGP Finals, Florida, Group Ensemble
2022 YAGP Semi-finals, New York, 1st Place Group Ensemble
2020 Accepted into ADCIBC, Florida (unable to attend due to Covid-19)
2019 YAGP Finals, New York, Soloist, Trio
2019 Australian Classical Challenge, NSW, Finalist

Performance Repertoire

Ellison Ballet Winter & Spring Showcases, Exam performances, In-class showings, YAGP

Bluebird Pas De Deux, <i>Sleeping Beauty</i>	Giselle's Friends	Swanhilda Variation, <i>Coppelia</i>
Don Quixote Pas De Deux	Kitri's Friends, <i>Don Quixote</i>	Awakening of Flora Variation
	Sleeping Beauty's Bridesmaids	Paquita Waltz Variation

Part-time Employment

2023 Ellison Ballet, New York, Chaperone
2021 & 2022 Premiere Studios, Central Coast NSW, Ballet Teacher (during USA Summer)
2019 – 2020 Premiere Studios, Central Coast NSW, Ballet Teacher

Reference

Mr Edward Ellison, Ellison Ballet PTP, New York, USA, E: edward@ellisonballet.org