



Savannah Inspire Faculty



Carlos Garland was born on July 4, 1988 and was raised in Jacksonville Florida. He started dance at the age of 13 at Lavilla School of the Arts. Then graduated from Douglas Anderson School of the Arts, where he received a Merit Award in the NFAA (National Foundation of Advancement of the Arts) in hip hop. Carlos attended Jacksonville University, double majoring in dance and computer science. Also during this time, he performed in the *First Coast Nutcracker* as lead the Russian Doll and has consistently over the years since then. He has a previous background in Taekwondo of 7 years and reached a second degree black belt.

Carlos has been the winner of the Mille Lewis America's Models and Talent Competition in dance. He and his dance crew, "*Systematic*", has won BET's *106th and Park* dance competition twice in a row and has been in national and international commercials. Carlos is a member of and has danced with *Rasta Thomas' Bad Boys Of Dance* and has performed in their hit show "*Rock The Ballet*". With the company he has toured Europe, Australia, New Zealand and the U.S. Carlos was also a top 20 finalist on the Fox TV dance show "*So You Think You Can Dance*" Season 10. He has also danced with the cast of "*Spider-man Turn Off the Dark*" in their final *Gypsy Of The Year* performance. He is a member of *iLuminate* (as seen on *America's Got Talent*) and has performed as the main character in their hit off-broadway show, "*iLuminate, Artists of Light*". He has been on instructor faculty at Broadway Dance Center and Steps On Broadway in NYC and still teaches there when in the area. He is currently a traveling instructor/choreographer for many schools and companies as well as a performer in Universal Studios and Walt Disney World.



Diana Ford was born in Costa Rica. She began her dance training in Miami, Florida, under the instruction of Pepe Bronce, Vivian Tobio, Maria Eugenia Lorenzo, and Manuel Castro. While furthering her dance education at New World School of the Arts College, she performed as a soloist with the Pepe Bronce Flamenco Company, and began working in the commercial dance industry. Diana also had the privilege of performing alongside dance icon Mikhail Baryshnikov. Upon graduating from NWSA with a BFA in dance, she spent a summer as a scholarship student at the Martha Graham Dance Center, and was a featured performer in an off-broadway production of *Rumba Dreams*, both in New York City. Soon after, Diana was invited to join Miami Contemporary Dance Company and was a featured company dancer for 7 years. She also danced with the Cuban Classical Ballet of Miami, and did a variety of commercial work, including television work for Univision. Diana has also performed on several TV shows alongside artists such as Pitbull, David Bisbal, and Willy Chirino, and was a dancer for the MTV VMA's in Miami. She has taught and choreographed for several dance schools and studios throughout South Florida, and is currently the assistant dance director at Miami Arts Charter School. Diana is a member of the National Dance Education Organization and the Florida Dance Education Organization.