

# Emily Pietruszka

## Curriculum Vitae

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### Summary

Dance and movement artist, teacher, practitioner, and trainer. Bachelor of Fine Arts, Dance (magna cum laude) University of Colorado, Boulder. Director of choreography and core member of American hip hop theater company, Rennie Harris Puremovement. Certified personal trainer and nutrition coach. Seven years experience teaching street dance in primary, secondary, and college level education. Experience in curriculum development that integrates collaborative and project based learning. Presented various choreographic works in the community of Philadelphia, PA. Experienced in event creation, curation, and production. Guest choreographer at Franklin and Marshall College, Fall 2021.

### Education

RENNIE HARRIS UNIVERSITY 2021  
Hip Hop and Street Dance Certification

NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SPORTS MEDICINE 2020  
Nutrition Coach Certification

NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SPORTS MEDICINE 2019  
Personal Training Certification

UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO AT BOULDER 2012-2015  
Bachelor of Fine Arts: Dance  
3.75 GPA  
Magna Cum Laude

ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY 2011-2012  
Bachelor of Fine Arts: Dance  
3.85 GPA

SKYLINE HIGH SCHOOL  
Class of 2011  
3.7 GPA

### **Selected Choreography and Projects**

*Truth or Dare*  
Choreographer and Performer  
FringeArts, Philadelphia, PA, 2022

*The Framework*  
Guest Choreographer, Fall Dance Concert  
Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster, PA, 2021

*Snack Break - An evening of street dance inspired performance works for the virtual concert stage.*  
Co-Creator and Curator  
Philadelphia, PA, 2021

*I didn't say those things for nothing*  
Choreographer and Performer  
Here and Now vol. II- a virtual solo series, Philadelphia, PA, 2020

*I didn't say those things for nothing*  
Choreographer and Performer  
Come Together Festival, Philadelphia, PA, 2019

*The Good Foot Podcast*  
Co-Creator  
Brooklyn, NY, 2018-2019

*Ancient Cultures pt. II*  
Choreographer and Performer  
Illadelph Legends Showcase, Philadelphia, PA, 2018

### **Teaching Experience**

COMMUNITY OUTREACH WORKSHOP, RENNIE HARRIS PUREMOVEMENT

Guest Workshop Instructor - Popping  
Santiago, Chile  
January 2022

PRINCETON UNIVERSITY  
Guest Workshop Instructor - House Dance  
Princeton, NJ  
February 2022

RENNIE HARRIS UNIVERSITY, UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO AT BOULDER  
Guest Instructor - House Flow  
Boulder, CO  
December, 2021

THE BBOY FACTORY  
Guest Instructor - House Dance  
Denver, CO  
December, 2021

UNION COLLEGE  
Master Class Co-Instructor  
Albany, NY  
October, 2021

TMPRODUCTIONS  
Guest Instructor  
Nashville, TN  
October, 2021

FRANKLIN AND MARSHALL COLLEGE  
Guest Teacher - House Dance  
Lancaster, PA  
September 2021

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY - RENNIE HARRIS LEGACY INTENSIVE  
Street Dance Instructor  
Virtual Intensive  
July 2021

URBAN MOVEMENT ARTS  
Children and Adult Street Dance Educator  
Philadelphia, PA

November 2020 - Present

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Virtual Personal Training Business

Creator and Founder

June 2020 - Present

THE JUILLIARD SCHOOL

Assistant Instructor to Rennie Harris

New York City, NY

February 2020

ROWAN UNIVERSITY

Master Class Instructor - Street Styles

Glassboro, NJ

February 2020

THE GRIER SCHOOL

Street Dance Workshop Lead Instructor

Tyrone, PA

November 2019

MARK MORRIS DANCE GROUP

Lead Instructor for Community Outreach Programs

Brooklyn, NY

August 2019 - February 2020

RENNIE HARRIS PUREMOVEMENT

Teaching Group Repertory

New York City, NY

September 2018

PHILADANCO! THE PHILADELPHIA DANCE COMPANY

Assistant to the Choreographer, Rennie Harris

Philadelphia, PA

March 2019 - April 2019

DALLAS BLACK DANCE THEATER

Assistant to the Choreographer, Rennie Harris

Dallas, TX

November 2018

THE AILEY SCHOOL

Assistant Teacher to the Artist in Residence, Rennie Harris  
New York City, NY  
November 2018

NEW YORK EDGE

Hip Hop Teacher  
Brooklyn, NY  
October 2018 - January 2019

BEAT GLOBAL STUDIO

House Dance Instructor  
Queens, NY  
September 2018 - December 2018

NEW VISIONS CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL FOR THE HUMANITIES IV

Full Time Dance Teacher  
Queens, NY  
August 2017 - August 2018

UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO AT BOULDER: Theater and Dance Program

Middle and High School Outreach Hip Hop Instructor  
Colorado  
April 2017- May 2017

UNIVERSITY OF DENVER

Children's Fitness Camp, Hip Hop Dance Coach  
Denver, CO  
May 2017- August 2017

FRONT RANGE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Guest Lecturer of Hip Hop and Street Dance Forms  
Denver, CO  
April 2017

KINESIS DANCE

Hip Hop, Jazz, Contemporary Instructor  
Boulder, CO  
April 2016- August 2018

THE ART UNDERGROUND

Hip Hop Instructor  
Louisville, CO  
April 2016- July 2017

LONGMONT DANCE THEATER  
Hip Hop Instructor  
Longmont, CO  
January 2016- June 2016

ST. VRAIN VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
Guest Hip Hop Instructor  
Colorado  
May 2015-May 2017

RENNIE HARRIS GRASSROOTS PROJECT  
Training Sessions Instructor  
Boulder, CO  
April 2015 - July 2015

CU MOVING COMPANY  
Children's Dance Workshop Lead  
Boulder, CO  
2013-2014

STUDIO D ACADEMY OF DANCE  
Children's Ballet and Jazz Substitute  
Boulder, CO  
Spring 2013

VISCARIA FITNESS  
Children's Hip Hop Instructor  
Boulder, CO  
2012

### **Selected Performance Experience**

2022	<i>Truth or Dare</i> Snack Break Movement Arts	FringeArts	Philadelphia, PA
	<i>Nuttin' but a Word</i> Rennie Harris Puremovement	Stockton University	Atlantic City, NJ

	<i>Lifted</i> Rennie Harris Puremovement	The Annenberg Center	Philadelphia, PA
	<i>Nuttin' but a Word</i> Rennie Harris Puremovement	Festival Internacional Santiago a Mil	Santiago, Chile
2021	<i>The Musician &amp; The Mover</i> Raphael Xavier	The Institute of Contemporary Art	Boston, MA
	<i>Nuttin' but a Word</i> Rennie Harris Puremovement	The Egg Theatre	Albany, NY
	<i>Nuttin' but a Word</i> Rennie Harris Puremovement	OZ Arts Nashville	Nashville, TN
	<i>Rock, Paper...</i> Joshua Culbreath	Koresh Artist Showcase	Philadelphia, PA
	<i>Losing My Religion - Creation Process</i> Rennie Harris	The Institute of Contemporary Art	Boston, MA
	<i>Losing My Religion - Creation Process</i> Rennie Harris	The Kennedy Center	Washington D.C
2020	<i>I didn't say those things for nothing.</i> Emily Pietruszka	Here and Now vol. II by W.O.R.X	Online dance showcase
	<i>Nuttin' but a Word</i> Rennie Harris Puremovement	Rowan University	Glassboro, NJ
	<i>Nuttin' but a Word</i> Rennie Harris Puremovement	The Joyce Theater American Dance Platform Showcase	New York City, NY

2019	<i>I didn't say those things for nothing.</i> Emily Pietruszka	Suzanne Roberts Theatre 6th Annual Come Together Festival	Philadelphia, PA
	<i>Nuttin' but a Word</i> Rennie Harris Puremovement	Suzanne Roberts Theatre 6th Annual Come Together Festival	Philadelphia, PA
	<i>Untitled</i> Joshua Culbreath	Performance Garage Project Moshen's EXCERPTS	Philadelphia, PA
	<i>Nuttin' but a Word</i> Rennie Harris Puremovement	The Grier School Gala Performance	Altoona, PA
	<i>Funkedified</i> Rennie Harris Puremovement	Bass Concert Hall	Austin, TX
	<i>Caravan: A Revolution on the Road</i> Rennie Harris Puremovement	The Ordway Center for the Performing Arts	St. Paul, MN
	<i>Nuttin' but a Word</i> Rennie Harris Puremovement	Kravis Center for Performing Arts	West Palm Beach, FL
	<i>Caravan: A Revolution on the Road</i> Rennie Harris Puremovement	Adrienne Arsht Center for the Performing Arts	Miami, FL
	<i>Untitled</i> Joshua Culbreath	York College	York, PA
	<i>Lifted</i> Rennie Harris Puremovement	Museum of Contemporary Art	Chicago, IL



	<i>Twist Ya Fingaz</i> Soo Missy Boogaloo	Ladies of Hip Hop Festival	New York City, NY
	<i>ALL - a physical poem of protest</i> Mia Habib	La Mama	New York City, NY
	<i>Lifted</i> Rennie Harris Puremovement	Carver Community Cultural Center	San Antonio, TX
	<i>Caravan: A Revolution on the Road</i> Rennie Harris Puremovement	Bass Concert Hall	Austin, TX
	<i>Caravan: A Revolution on the Road</i> Rennie Harris Puremovement	Majestic Theatre	Dallas, TX
	<i>Lifted</i> Rennie Harris Puremovement	Grand Opera House	Wilmington, DE
2018	<i>Lifted</i> Rennie Harris Puremovement	New Jersey Performing Arts Center	Newark, NJ
	<i>Nuttin' but a Word</i> Rennie Harris Puremovement	Rhode Island College	Providence, RI
	<i>NEWYORK Sooperdancer</i> Soo Missy Boogaloo	2018 Multicultural & Dance Festival	New York City, NY

	<i>Ancient Cultures Part II</i> Emily Pietruszka	Illadelph Legends Showcase Community Education Center	Philadelphia, PA
2017	<i>Lazarus - Skeleton Crew)</i> Rennie Harris	Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater	New York City, NY
	<i>Beautiful Human Lies (excerpt)</i> Rennie Harris Grassroots Project	Buell Theatre at Denver Performing Arts Complex	Denver, CO
2016	<i>Beautiful Human Lies</i> Rennie Harris Grassroots Project	UCCS Theatre and Dance Department	Colorado Springs, CO
	<i>Beautiful Human Lies (excerpt)</i> Rennie Harris Grassroots Project	San Francisco International Hip Hop Dance Festival, Palace of Fine Arts	San Francisco, CA
	<i>Bending the Road Evolving Doors Dance</i>	Denver School of the Arts	Denver, CO
	<i>Beautiful Human Lies</i> Rennie Harris Grassroots Project	Victoria J. Mastrobuono Theater	New Brunswick, NJ
	<i>Beautiful Human Lies</i> Rennie Harris Grassroots Project	Dance Place	Washington, DC
	<i>Beautiful Human Lies</i> Rennie Harris Grassroots Project	Charlotte York Irey Theater	Boulder, CO

## **Selected Work and Training Experience**

### SNACK BREAK MOVEMENT ARTS

2020 - Present

Street Styles Performance Duo

Co - Creator and Performing Member

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June 2020 - Present

Virtual Personal Training Business

Creator and Founder

### FUNKY GUNZ CREW, Philadelphia, PA

February 2020 - January 2022

Popping Crew Member, Events Coordination

### RENNIE HARRIS PUREMOVEMENT, Philadelphia, PA

November 2018 - Present

Core Member, Director of Choreography

Street Styles, Hip Hop Theater

### CRICKET'S CONCEPT KINETICS, New York, NY

August 2019 - February 2020

Training in Freestyle, Street Styles, Contemporary Forms

### SOO MISSY BOOGALOO CREW TRAINING, New York, New York

January 2018- February 2020

Training in Popping, Boogaloo, Animation, Puppet, Waving, Toy man

### EVOLVING DOORS DANCE COMPANY, Denver, CO

September 2016- June 2017

Company Member, Modern Dance Forms

### CINDY BRANDLE DANCE COMPANY, Boulder, CO

May 2015- October 2015

Company Member, Modern Dance Forms

### RENNIE HARRIS GRASSROOTS PROJECT, Denver, CO

January 2015- August 2017

Company Member

Training in Hip Hop Styles, Funk Party Styles, House, Bgirling, Locking, Popping

PERRY-MANSFIELD PERFORMING ARTS CAMP, Steamboat Springs, CO

Summer 2014

Counselor, Attendee

SALT DANCE FESTIVAL, Salt Lake City, Utah

June 2013

Festival Attendee - Training in Contemporary Dance Forms

UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO AT BOULDER, School of Theater and Dance, Boulder, CO

BFA Student

August 2012-May 2015

Ballet, Contemporary Ballet, Jazz Fusion, Performance Improvisation, Contemporary Modern, Funk Styles, House, Tribal Fusion, Second Line, West African, Alexander Technique, Pointe Technique, Aerial Dance

ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY, School of Dance, Tempe, AZ

BFA Student

August 2011-May 2012

Ballet, Contemporary Ballet, Post-Modern Contemporary, Street Styles

LONGMONT DANCE THEATER, Longmont, CO

2005-2011

Student of Ballet, Pointe, Modern, Jazz

JOFFREY BALLET JAZZ AND CONTEMPORARY SUMMER INTENSIVE, New York, NY

August, 2010

Intensive Attendee

Ballet, Contemporary, Jazz Forms

DANCE NEW AMSTERDAM SUMMER INTENSIVE, New York, NY

July 2010

Intensive Attendee

Contemporary Dance Forms

ALONZO KING'S LINES SUMMER INTENSIVE

Summer 2008

Intensive Attendee

Ballet, Contemporary Ballet, Pointe