

Height: 5'2" Hair: Blonde Eyes: Brown Voice: Mezzo

MELISSA STRAIN



FILM/TELEVISION

In The Heights (Feature Film)

Dancer

Jon M. Chu, Christopher Scott, Dana Wilson, Ebony Williams, Emilio Dosal: Warner Bros

The Righteous Gemstones (TV) Shadow Dancer Adam Battlestein: HBO
American Horror Story: Freakshow (TV) Dancer Michael Uppendahl: FX
Chicas de Viaje (Reality TV) Dancer Adam Cates: Viacom/Telefe

Bodypaint Musical (Digital Media) Lead Julia Harnett: Trina Merry Body Paint

John Frieda (Digital Media) Athlete Eli Markos: Vox Media

Watchman (Commercial) Acrobat Matt Kent, Renée Jaworski: Pilobolus Roots (Mini-Series) Ballroom Dancer Maritza Mercado-Narcisse: AMC/Lifetime

"All Right" Mod Sun (Music Video) Featured Dancer Tyler Yee: Pink Lemonade Album

LIVE/THEATRICAL

Mimi the Hot Box Girl Guys and Dolls Ed Flesch, The Fireside Theatre Battle Royale feat. Billy Porter Dancer Justin Prescott, Broadway Bares Porsche (Industrial) Dancer Pilobolus, Shanghai Christmas in the Air Dance Captain Ann Cooley, MGM Beau Rivage Cotton Candy & Cocaine (Lab) Dance Captain Carlos Armesto, NYC Choice Hotels (Industrial) Projection Dancer Brooke Wendle, Las Vegas Brooke Wendle, Las Vegas Transitions Lenses (Industrial) Projection Dancer Pilobolus, Las Vegas Novartis (Industrial) Acrobat

Berenik (New York Fashion Week)

Echad Mi Yodea (Concert Dance)

Featured Dancer

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Ohad Naharin, Jerusalem

CHOREOGRAPHY/ASSISTING

Live Industrial Southwest Airlines Choreographer **Adam Cates** Class Assistant BDC/ STEPS/ CDI Cassidy Noblett Production Assistant Carmit Music Video Cassidy Noblett Production Assistant Nick Hagelin Music Video Zombie Prom Choreographer Fontainebleau Theatre The 25th APCSB Fontainebleau Theatre Choreographer You're a Good Man Charlie Brown Choreographer Fontainebleau Theatre

DANCE STYLES

Jazz, Contemporary, Theatre, Tap, Ballet, Heels, Hip Hop, Acro, Modern, Kickline, Partnering, Salsa & Bachata

EDUCATION

B.S. in Dance and Kinesiology: Indiana University/ Jerusalem Academy of Music and Dance Summer Programs: Pilobolus, Parsons Dance, Liz Lerman & Dance Masters of America Mentors: Casey Noblett, Cassidy Noblett, Adam Cates, Victor Rojas, Joanna Numata, Ebony Williams & Olivia Cipolla

SPECIAL SKILLS

Acrobatics & Tumbling, Partnering, Aerial Lyra, Acro in Heels, Prop Integration, Dance Captain, Contortion, Baton, Contact Improv, Southern Dialect, Horseback Riding, Rehearsal Directing, Choreographic / Show Notation, Hair, Makeup, Effective Communicator, Driver's License & U.S. Passport

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