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**Zendaya Maree Stoermer Coleman** (born September 1, 1996),<ref name=allmusicbiography>[Template:Cite web](/wiki/Template:Cite_web)</ref> known simply as **Zendaya**, is an American actress, singer and dancer. In 2010 she stared in the [Disney Channel](/wiki/Disney_Channel) sitcom [*Shake It Up*](/wiki/Shake_It_Up_(TV_series)) as [Rocky Blue](/wiki/Rocky_Blue). She has starred in two films and played one of the lead roles in the film [*Frenemies*](/wiki/Frenemies_(film)) as Halley Brandon. She voiced Fern in the [*Pixie Hollow Games*](/wiki/Pixie_Hollow_Games). She appeared in [*Good Luck Charlie*](/wiki/Good_Luck_Charlie) as Rocky Blue and in a *Good Luck Charlie* and *Shake It Up* crossover title [*Charlie Shakes It Up*](/wiki/Charlie_Shakes_It_Up). She appeared on [*PrankStars*](/wiki/PrankStars) as herself in the episode "Walk The Prank" and on [A.N.T. Farm](/wiki/A.N.T._Farm) as Sequoia Jones in the episode "Creative ConsultANT."

Zendaya is also a musician. She signed a deal with [Hollywood Records](/wiki/Hollywood_Records) on August 8, 2012 and started recording songs for her debut album on August 12, 2012. She released a single from an independent label called "[Swag It Out](/wiki/Swag_It_Out)" and another single with [Bella Thorne](/wiki/Bella_Thorne) called "[Watch Me](/wiki/Watch_Me_(Bella_Thorne_and_Zendaya_song))," which is featured on the [*Break It Down*](/wiki/Shake_It_Up:_Break_It_Down) album. On March 20, 2012, Zendaya released the song "[Something to Dance For](/wiki/Something_to_Dance_For)" as promotional single from [*Shake It Up: Live 2 Dance*](/wiki/Shake_It_Up:_Live_2_Dance) soundtrack.

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## Early life[[edit](/index.php?title=(none)&action=edit&section=1)]

Zendaya was born in [Oakland](/wiki/Oakland,_California), [California](/wiki/California), the daughter of Claire Marie (Stoermer) and Kazembe Ajamu (born Samuel David Coleman).<ref name=comp1>[Template:Cite web](/wiki/Template:Cite_web)</ref> Her father is African-American, with roots in [Arkansas](/wiki/Arkansas); her mother is white, with German and Scottish ancestry.<ref name=usmag>[Template:Cite web](/wiki/Template:Cite_web)</ref>[[1]](#cite_note-1)<ref name=comp1/>

## Career[[edit](/index.php?title=(none)&action=edit&section=2)]

### 2009–12: Career beginnings and ''Shake It Up''[[edit](/index.php?title=(none)&action=edit&section=3)]

[thumbnail|left|Zendaya at the Hollywood Premiere of Disney Channel's "Let It Shine" 2012.](/wiki/File:Zendaya_2012.jpg) Zendaya began her professional career working as a fashion model for [Macy's](/wiki/Macy's), [Mervyns](/wiki/Mervyns) and [Old Navy](/wiki/Old_Navy). She was featured in an [*iCarly*](/wiki/ICarly) toys ad along with [Stefanie Scott](/wiki/Stefanie_Scott).[[2]](#cite_note-2) She also appeared as a back-up dancer in a [Sears](/wiki/Sears) commercial featuring [Disney Channel](/wiki/Disney_Channel) star [Selena Gomez](/wiki/Selena_Gomez). In 2009, she was a featured performer in the [Kidz Bop](/wiki/Kidz_Bop) music video for its cover of the song "[Hot n Cold](/wiki/Hot_n_Cold)" by [Katy Perry](/wiki/Katy_Perry), which was released on [*Kidz Bop 15*](/wiki/Kidz_Bop_15).[[2]](#cite_note-2)[[3]](#cite_note-3) She auditioned in November 2009 for the role of CeCe Jones to join the cast of [*Dance Dance Chicago*](/wiki/Shake_It_Up_(TV_series)) (later changed to *Shake It Up!*).[[4]](#cite_note-4) For her audition she performed [Michael Jackson's](/wiki/Michael_Jackson) "[Leave Me Alone](/wiki/Leave_Me_Alone)".[[5]](#cite_note-5) In 2011 Zendaya release "[Swag It Out](/wiki/Swag_It_Out)", a promotional independente single. The song was composed by Bobby Brackins and produced by Glenn A. Foster.[[6]](#cite_note-6) She also starred in the book trailer for "From Bad To Cursed" by Katie Alender.[[7]](#cite_note-7) In the same year, she released "[Watch Me](/wiki/Watch_Me_(Bella_Thorne_&_Zendaya_song))," featuring Bella Thorne, on June 21. The song peaked at #63 on the [Billboard Hot Digital songs](/wiki/Hot_Digital_Songs), at #86 on the [Billboard Hot 100](/wiki/Billboard_Hot_100) and at #9 on [USA Top Heatseekers](/wiki/Top_Heatseekers). The second season of *Shake It Up* was announced on March 16, 2011 and premiered on September 18, 2011. On June 5, 2011, *Shake It Up* had a crossover episode with [*Good Luck Charlie*](/wiki/Good_Luck_Charlie). Zendaya hosted *Make Your Mark: Ultimate Dance Off 2011*.

Her first movie role was in the 2012 film, [*Frenemies*](/wiki/Frenemies_(film)), a [Disney Channel Original Movie](/wiki/Disney_Channel_Original_Movie).[[2]](#cite_note-2)[[5]](#cite_note-5)[[8]](#cite_note-8) On February 29, 2012, "[Something to Dance For](/wiki/Something_to_Dance_For)" was released as promotioonal single for [*Live 2 Dance*](/wiki/Shake_It_Up:_Live_2_Dance). For the soundtrack Zendaya also recorded three other songs: "Made In Japan," "Same Heart", and "Fashion In Krytonite", released as promotional single. In September 2, 2012 she signed to [Hollywood Records](/wiki/Hollywood_Records).[[9]](#cite_note-9) In October, Zendaya performed at the Teen Music Festival and at the [Operation Smile](/wiki/Operation_Smile) benefit.[[10]](#cite_note-10)

### 2013: ''Dancing with the Stars'' and ''Zendaya''[[edit](/index.php?title=(none)&action=edit&section=4)]

In 2013 Zendaya was nominated and is a contestant on [*season 16 of Dancing With the Stars*](/wiki/Dancing_with_the_Stars_(U.S._season_16))*.*[[11]](#cite_note-11) She beat out [Shawn Johnson](/wiki/Shawn_Johnson) as the youngest contestant to ever be on the show. She had her first dance with [Val Chmerkovskiy](/wiki/Val_Chmerkovskiy) on March 18, 2013 to Contemporary, and got a score of 24. She scored a 26 on March 25, 2013 with the Jive, totaling her score to 50, the highest, keeping Val and her safe from elimination on March 26, 2013. She also scored a perfect score in the May 20, 2013 episode in every dance but finished in second place in the results show the following night.[[12]](#cite_note-12)[[13]](#cite_note-13)[[14]](#cite_note-14) {| class="wikitable collapsible collapsed" style="text-align:center;" |- ! colspan="6"| Performances on *Dancing with the Stars* |- " ! style="text-align:centre" rowspan="2"|Week ! style="text-align:centre" rowspan="2"|Dance/Song ! style="text-align:centre" colspan="3"|Judge'score ! style="text-align:centre" rowspan="2"|Result |- ! style="text-align:centre"| Inaba ! style="text-align:centre"| Goodman ! style="text-align:centre"| Tonioli |- ! 1 | [Contemporary](/wiki/Contemporary_dance)/"[Feel Again](/wiki/Feel_Again)" | 8 | 8 | 8 | No Elimination |- ! 2 | [Jive](/wiki/Jive_(dance))/"This Head I Hold" | 9 | 8 | 9 | Safe |- ! 3 | Prom Group Dance/"[The Rockafeller Skank](/wiki/The_Rockafeller_Skank)"  
[Viennese Waltz](/wiki/Viennese_Waltz)/"[Que Sera, Sera (Whatever Will Be, Will Be)](/wiki/Que_Sera,_Sera_(Whatever_Will_Be,_Will_Be))" | Awarded  
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8 | Safe |- ! 4 | [Samba](/wiki/Samba_(ballroom_dance))/"[Love On Top](/wiki/Love_On_Top)" | 9 | 8 | 9 | Safe |- ! 5 | [Argentine Tango](/wiki/Argentine_Tango)/"Discombobulate" | 10 | 9 | 10 | Safe |- ! 6 | [Cha-Cha-Cha](/wiki/Cha-cha-cha_(dance))/"[Do I Do](/wiki/Do_I_Do)"  
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8 | 10  
7 | Safe |- ! 7 | [Paso Doble](/wiki/Pasodoble)/"Buster Voodoo"  
[Jive](/wiki/Jive_(dance)) Dance Off/"[Good Golly Miss Molly](/wiki/Good_Golly_Miss_Molly)" | 9  
Awarded | 9  
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Points | Safe |- ! 8 | [Foxtrot](/wiki/Foxtrot_(dance))/"[Don't Worry, Be Happy](/wiki/Don't_Worry,_Be_Happy)"  
[Salsa](/wiki/Salsa_(dance)) (Trio Challenge)/"Dança Molengo" | 9  
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Semi-finals | [Quickstep](/wiki/Quickstep)/"Don't Give Up"  
[Hip-Hop](/wiki/Hip_hop)/"[Fine China](/wiki/Fine_China_(song))" | 8  
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10 | 9  
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[Freestyle](/wiki/Street_dance)/"[Beauty and a Beat](/wiki/Beauty_and_a_Beat)"  
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Her debut album titled *Zendaya* was released on September 17, 2013. It was preceded by the single "[Replay](/wiki/Replay_(Zendaya_song))", released on July 16, 2013. The song was written by Tiffany Fred and Paul "Phamous" Shelton. In June 2013, Coleman wrapped up filming for the music video. On July 25, the [Disney Channel](/wiki/Disney_Channel) confirmed that *Shake It Up* will be canceled after the end of the third season.[[15]](#cite_note-15)[[16]](#cite_note-16)

### 2014–present: ''Zapped'' and ''K.C. Undercover''[[edit](/index.php?title=(none)&action=edit&section=5)]

Zendaya was cast as 16 year-old Zoey Stevens, the lead character, in the 2014 Disney Channel Original Movie [*Zapped*](/wiki/Zapped), whose "smart phone begins to somehow control all the boys around her".[[17]](#cite_note-17) In late 2013 Zendaya was cast as the lead in a new Disney Channel pilot called *Super Awesome Katy*.[[18]](#cite_note-18) It was ordered to series by Disney Channel in May 2014, with the series now under the title *K.C. Undercover*, and with Zendaya's character now named K.C. Cooper rather than Katy Cooper.[[19]](#cite_note-19) *K.C. Undercover* premiered on Disney Channel on January 18, 2015,[[20]](#cite_note-20) and was renewed for a second season in May 2015.[[21]](#cite_note-21) In March 2016 Zendaya was cast in the upcoming film [*Spider-Man: Homecoming*](/wiki/Spider-Man:_Homecoming), possibly playing a character named Michelle; the film is scheduled to be released in July 2017.[[22]](#cite_note-22)

## Other ventures[[edit](/index.php?title=(none)&action=edit&section=6)]

### Endorsement[[edit](/index.php?title=(none)&action=edit&section=7)]

In September 2012, Zendaya was featured along with rapper [Lil Wayne](/wiki/Lil_Wayne) and NBA player [LeBron James](/wiki/LeBron_James) in a performance of "[Scream and Shout](/wiki/Scream_and_Shout)" by [Will.I.Am](/wiki/Will.I.Am) & [Britney Spears](/wiki/Britney_Spears) for a television commercial for [*Beats by Dr. Dre Color*](/wiki/Beats_Electronics).<ref name=drdre>[Template:Cite web](/wiki/Template:Cite_web)</ref>

### Book[[edit](/index.php?title=(none)&action=edit&section=8)]

In August 6, 2013 Zendaya released her debut book, *Between U and Me: How to Rock Your Tween Years with Style and Confidence*.[[23]](#cite_note-23) She told about the book: "I actually signed this book deal over a year ago…I worked on the book all summer and fall".[[24]](#cite_note-24)

### Fashion[[edit](/index.php?title=(none)&action=edit&section=9)]

In 2013 Zendaya started work on a clothing line, inspired on her clothes on [*Shake It Up*](/wiki/Shake_It_Up_(TV_series)), the *Shake It Up Dance Clothing Line by Zendaya*. The collection features fun clothes for active girls, legwarmers, shorts, jackets, headbands and athletic apparel and accessories.[[25]](#cite_note-25)[[26]](#cite_note-26)

## Personal life[[edit](/index.php?title=(none)&action=edit&section=10)]

Zendaya spent three years of dancing in a dance group called Future Shock Oakland. The group did hip hop and hula dances when she was eight.[[27]](#cite_note-27)[[28]](#cite_note-28)[[29]](#cite_note-29) Zendaya currently lives in Los Angeles with her family and dog, a [Giant Schnauzer](/wiki/Giant_Schnauzer) named Midnight.[[2]](#cite_note-2) Her interests include singing, dancing and designing clothes.[[2]](#cite_note-2)

## Filmography[[edit](/index.php?title=(none)&action=edit&section=11)]

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Film roles | | | |
| **Year** | **Title** | **Role** | **Notes** |
| 2011 | [*Pixie Hollow Games*](/wiki/Pixie_Hollow_Games) | Fern | Voice role |
| 2017 | [*Spider-Man: Homecoming*](/wiki/Spider-Man:_Homecoming) | Michelle | Filming[[30]](#cite_note-30) |

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Television roles | | | |
| **Year** | **Title** | **Role** | **Notes** |
| 2010–13 | [*Shake It Up*](/wiki/Shake_It_Up_(TV_series)) | [Rocky Blue](/wiki/Rocky_Blue) | Lead role; [Disney Channel Original Series](/wiki/Disney_Channel_Original_Series) |
| 2011 | [*Good Luck Charlie*](/wiki/Good_Luck_Charlie) | Rocky Blue | Episode: "Charlie Shakes It Up" |
| 2011 | [*PrankStars*](/wiki/PrankStars) | Herself | Episode: "Walk the Prank" |
| 2012 | [*A.N.T. Farm*](/wiki/A.N.T._Farm) | Sequoia Jones | Special guest star; episode: "Creative consultANT" |
| 2012 | [*Frenemies*](/wiki/Frenemies_(film)) | Halley Brandon | Television film; [Disney Channel Original Movie](/wiki/List_of_Disney_Channel_Original_Movies) |
| 2013 | [*Dancing with the Stars*](/wiki/Dancing_with_the_Stars_(U.S._TV_series)) | Herself | [Season 16](/wiki/Dancing_with_the_Stars_(U.S._season_16)) contestant; finished second |
| 2014 | [*Zapped*](/wiki/Zapped_(film)) | Zoey Stevens | Television film; Disney Channel Original Movie |
| 2015–present | [*K.C. Undercover*](/wiki/K.C._Undercover) | K.C. Cooper | Television series, lead role |

## Discography[[edit](/index.php?title=(none)&action=edit&section=12)]

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* [*Zendaya*](/wiki/Zendaya_(album)) (2013)

## Tours[[edit](/index.php?title=(none)&action=edit&section=13)]

* [*Swag It Out Tour*](/wiki/Swag_It_Out_Tour) (2012—13)

## Awards and nominations[[edit](/index.php?title=(none)&action=edit&section=14)]

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| rowspan=2|2011 | [Young Artist Award](/wiki/32nd_Young_Artist_Awards) | Outstanding Young Ensemble in a TV Series (shared with [Bella Thorne](/wiki/Bella_Thorne), [Davis Cleveland](/wiki/Davis_Cleveland), [Roshon Fegan](/wiki/Roshon_Fegan), [Adam Irigoyen](/wiki/Adam_Irigoyen), [Kenton Duty](/wiki/Kenton_Duty) and [Caroline Sunshine](/wiki/Caroline_Sunshine)) | [*Shake It Up*](/wiki/Shake_It_Up_(TV_series)) | [Template:Nom](/wiki/Template:Nom) | [[31]](#cite_note-31) |
| [Teen Icon Awards](/wiki/J-14_Teen_Icon_Awards) | Iconic Triple Threat (Acting, Singing, and Dancing) | Herself | [Template:Nom](/wiki/Template:Nom) | [[32]](#cite_note-32) |  |
| rowspan=4|2012 | [Young Artist Award](/wiki/33rd_Young_Artist_Awards) | Best Performance in a TV Series – Leading Young Actress | *Shake It Up* | [Template:Nom](/wiki/Template:Nom) | [[33]](#cite_note-33) |
| Young Artist Award | Outstanding Young Ensemble in a TV Series (shared with [Bella Thorne](/wiki/Bella_Thorne), [Davis Cleveland](/wiki/Davis_Cleveland), [Roshon Fegan](/wiki/Roshon_Fegan), [Adam Irigoyen](/wiki/Adam_Irigoyen), [Kenton Duty](/wiki/Kenton_Duty) and [Caroline Sunshine](/wiki/Caroline_Sunshine)) | *Shake It Up* | [Template:Nom](/wiki/Template:Nom) | [[33]](#cite_note-33) |  |
| [Teen Icon Awards](/wiki/J-14_Teen_Icon_Awards) | Iconic TV Actress | *Shake It Up* | [Template:Nom](/wiki/Template:Nom) | [[34]](#cite_note-34) |  |
| [NAACP Image Awards](/wiki/NAACP_Image_Awards) | Outstanding Performance in a Youth/Children's Series or Special | *Shake It Up* | [Template:Nom](/wiki/Template:Nom) | [[35]](#cite_note-35) |  |
| rowspan=3|2013 | [Young Artist Awards](/wiki/Young_Artist_Awards) | Best Performance in a TV Movie, MiniSeries, Special or Pilot - Leading Young Actress | [*Frenemies*](/wiki/Frenemies_(film)) | [Template:Nom](/wiki/Template:Nom) | [[36]](#cite_note-36) |
| [Radio Disney Music Awards](/wiki/2013_Radio_Disney_Music_Awards) | Best Music Video | "[Fashion Is My Kryptonite](/wiki/Fashion_Is_My_Kryptonite)" | [Template:Nom](/wiki/Template:Nom) |  |  |
| Teen Icon Awards | Iconic Book | *Between U and Me* | [Template:Nom](/wiki/Template:Nom) | [[37]](#cite_note-37) |  |
| rowspan=3|2014 | [Teen Choice Awards](/wiki/Teen_Choice_Awards) | Choice Music: Breakout Artist | Herself | [Template:Nom](/wiki/Template:Nom) | [[38]](#cite_note-38) |
| [Teen Choice Awards](/wiki/Teen_Choice_Awards) | Candie's Style Icon | Herself | [Template:Win](/wiki/Template:Win) | [[39]](#cite_note-39) |  |
| [Radio Disney Music Awards](/wiki/Radio_Disney_Music_Awards) | Best Style | Herself | [Template:Win](/wiki/Template:Win) | [[40]](#cite_note-40) |  |
| 2015 | [Radio Disney Music Awards](/wiki/Radio_Disney_Music_Awards) | Best Style | Herself | [Template:Nom](/wiki/Template:Nom) | [[41]](#cite_note-41) |
| rowspan=2|2016 | [Radio Disney Music Awards](/wiki/Radio_Disney_Music_Awards) | Best Style | Herself | [Template:Nom](/wiki/Template:Nom) | [[42]](#cite_note-42) |
| [Kids Choice Awards](/wiki/Kids_Choice_Awards) | Favorite Female TV Star—Kids' Show | [*K.C. Undercover*](/wiki/K.C._Undercover) | [Template:Win](/wiki/Template:Win) | [[43]](#cite_note-43) |  |

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