

# Akira Watanabe

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Age: 21 • Ht.5'4" • Wt.103 • Hair: Brown • Eyes: Black

Mezzo soprano with belt (Classical, Musical Theatre, Pop) • Range: E3-A5

## PERFORMANCE EXPERIENCE

ROLE	SHOW	VENUE
Maxine/Dance Captain	<i>How I became a Pirate</i>	University of Nebraska Kearney (UNK), 2016
Duet Dancer	<i>(Dis) Connected</i>	UNK, 2015
Movement Actor	<i>The Creation of the World and Other Business</i>	UNK, 2015
Singer/Dancer	<i>Celebrate Broadway</i>	Crane River Theatre, 2015
Ensemble/Featured Dancer	<i>Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dream Coat</i>	Crane River Theatre, 2015
Ensemble	<i>Tarzan</i>	Crane River Theatre, 2015
Solo/Company Dancer	<i>When Planets Align</i>	UNK, 2015
Dancer	<i>The Lady from the Sea</i>	UNK, 2015
Choreographer/Ensemble	<i>She Loves Me</i>	Kearney Community Theatre (KCT), 2015
Show Choir Touring	<i>Nebraskats</i>	UNK, 2014 - Present
Harris	<i>We Must Kill Toni</i>	UNK, 2014
Ensemble	<i>9 to 5</i>	KCT, 2014
Choir/Dancer	<i>Choir Concert</i>	UNK, 2014
Trio/Company Dancer	<i>Art IN Motion</i>	MONA, Museum of Nebraska Art, 2014
Duet/Company dancer	<i>It's Essential</i>	UNK, 2014
Ensemble	<i>Hello Dolly!</i>	KCT, 2014
Actor/Dancer	<i>Dancing Forever</i>	Gifu Civic Hall, 2011
Ballet Dancer	<i>Ballet Concert</i>	Ichinomiya Civic Hall, 2009
Chorus	<i>No (Japanese traditional performing arts)</i>	Gifu Mirai Hall, 2002

## TRAINING

B.M. Musical Theatre - University of Nebraska at Kearney (in progress)

SINGING : Classical and Musical Theatre styles (UNK, Dr. Sharon Campbell, 2013-Present)

DANCE : Ballet (Royal ballet Academy : Aishin Ballet in Japan, Yuichiro and Junko Goto, 7 yrs.),

Jazz (TRM Dance Studio, Nori-Y, 2 yrs. and Dancing Heart, Masako Ogiso, 4 yrs.),

Hip Hop (Dancing Heart, Masako Ogiso, 2 yrs.), Modern (UNK, Dayna DeFilippis, 2 yr.),

Tap (UNK, Dayna DeFilippis, 1 sem.)

## ADDITIONAL PERFORMANCE EXPERIENCE

Guest dancer - High School Festival and Health Conference

Own My Dance Team - Choreographer, Music, Costume and Stage Management

Model - Magazine and Photo shop

Show Choir – performed on TV, Radio and Live stage

Vocal Competition - City Level

## SPECIAL SKILLS

Native Japanese speaker, Choreography, Play violin, Can do splits