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PROFILE

Experienced educator, performer, and choreographer with a desire to push beyond the markers of ordinary experience and make visible through dance an inner world that lies beneath the surface of everyday existence.

INTERESTS

Horton Technique, Vaganova Method, Embodied Pedagogy, Dance in Education, Choreography, Dance Conditioning

EDUCATION

- 2013 Ballet Teacher Certification, Bolshoi Ballet Academy of Moscow, New York, NY, US
Grades 1-3
- 2009 Master of Science in Curriculum & Instruction, Texas A&M International University, Laredo, TX
Minor in Fitness & Sports
- 2008 Bachelor of Arts in Theatre & Dance, University of Texas, Austin, TX
Dance Concentration

TRAINING

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|-------------------------|---|------------------------|
| Aug 2013 | Bolshoi Ballet Academy Teacher Certification Program <i>Vaganova Technique</i> | New York, NY, USA |
| Aug 2013 | Alvin Ailey School <i>Horton Technique</i> | New York, NY, USA |
| March 2013 | Dallas Black Dance Theatre (Master Classes) <i>Horton Technique & Jazz</i> | Laredo, TX, USA |
| May 2013- March 2013 | Casa Yoga Laredo Yoga Dance Workshop | Laredo, TX, USA |
| June 2012 | Alvin Ailey School Peridance Cafe Broadway Dance Centre <i>Horton Technique & Ballet</i> | New York, NY, USA |
| May 2012 | Alonzo Kings Dance Centre <i>Horton Technique & Ballet</i> | San Francisco, CA, USA |

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| Jan 2012 | Shawl-Anderson Dance Centre <i>Horton Technique & Ballet</i> | Berkeley, CA, USA |
| Dec 2012- Dec 2009 | Nudo Piedi Contemporary Dance Company <i>Horton Technique</i> | Laredo, TX, USA |
| Oct 2009 | Residency with Grupo Corpo <i>University of Texas-Austin</i> | Austin, TX, USA |
| May 2008- Aug 2006 | Ballet East Dance Company <i>Horton Technique</i> | Austin, TX, USA |
| May 2008- Aug 2005 | University of Texas-Austin <i>Ballet, Contemporary Ballet, Graham, Limon, Release Hawkins, Repertory, Horton, Pilates</i> | Austin, TX, USA |
| April 2008 | Residency with Alvin Ailey American Dance Theatre <i>University of Texas-Austin</i> | Austin, TX, USA |
| Oct 2006 | Residency with Hubbard Dance Chicago <i>University of Texas-Austin</i> | Austin, TX, USA |
| Oct 2006 | Residency with Tania Salas Contemporary Dance Co <i>University of Texas-Austin</i> | Austin, TX, USA |
| April 2006 | Residency with Paradigm Dance <i>University of Texas-Austin</i> | Austin, TX, USA |
| Oct 2005 | Residency with Alvin Ailey American Dance Theatre <i>University of Texas-Austin</i> | Austin, TX, USA |
| May 2003- Aug 1999 | Vidal M. Trevino School of Fine Arts & Communications <i>Classical Ballet, Jazz, Tap, Hip Hop</i> | Laredo, TX USA |

HIGHER EDUCATION/PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS

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| present- Aug 2013 | Texas A&M International University, <i>Part-Time Adjunct Faculty-Kinesiology</i> | Laredo, TX USA |
| present- July 2011 | Laredo School of Contemporary Dance <i>Founding Artistic Director/Teacher</i> | Laredo, TX, USA |
| May 2013- Aug 2010 | Texas A&M International University, <i>Instructor of Kinesiology</i> | Laredo, TX USA |

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Dec 2012-
Dec 2009 Nudo Piedi Contemporary Dance Company Laredo, TX, USA
Founding Artistic Director/Choreographer

May 2010-
Aug 2009 Texas A&M International University, Laredo, TX USA
Full-time Adjunct Faculty-Fitness & Sports

May 2010-
Aug 2008 Texas A&M International University, Laredo, TX USA
Adjunct Faculty-Dance

May 2008-
Aug 2006 Austin Independent School District Austin, TX USA
Program Specialist/Teaching Artist

DANCE TEACHING EXPERIENCE

present-
July 2011 Laredo School of Contemporary Dance Laredo, TX, USA
Teacher
(Ballet, Horton, Contemporary Jazz, Dance Conditioning)

Sept 2013 Danssika Arte en Movimiento Nvo Laredo, MX
Horton Technique

Sept 2013 Ballet East Dance Company Austin, TX, USA
Guest Teacher/Coreographer

June 2013 Red Norte Festival de Danza Contemporanea Tour Tamaulipas, Nuevo Leon,
Teacher (6 professional dance schools in Mexico) Coahuila, MX
Horton Technique

May 2013 United South High School Laredo, TX, USA
Dance Tableaus in the English Classroom

April 2013 University of Texas-Pan American Edinburg, TX, USA
Horton Technique

Dec 2012 Lyndon B. Johnson High School Colorguard Laredo, TX, USA
Guest Instructor/Choreographer

Dec 2012-
Dec 2009 Nudo Piedi Contemporary Dance Company Laredo, TX, USA
Founding Artistic Director/Teacher/Choreographer

May 2011-
Jan 2011 Ceres Danza Contemporanea Nuevo Laredo, Tamps, MX
Guest Dance Teacher

Dec 2012 Lyndon B. Johnson High School Laredo, TX, USA
Guest Dance Teacher/Choreographer

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| April 2011 | Martin High School <i>Guest Dance Teacher</i> | Laredo, TX, USA |
| Dec 2009 | Vidal M. Trevino School of Fine Arts & Communications <i>Guest Dance Teacher</i> | Laredo, TX, USA |
| Dec 2010- Aug 2008 | Texas A&M International University, Dance Dept <i>Adjunct Faculty-Dance</i> | Laredo, TX USA |

PERFORMANCE EXPERIENCE

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| Nov 2013 | Project Dance Puerto Rico <i>Dancer</i> | San Juan, PR, USA |
| Sep 2013 | Dancing with the Stars Laredo Style <i>Dancer/Charity Event</i> | Laredo, TX, USA |
| Mar 2012 | Texas A&M International University <i>Guest Performer</i> | Laredo, TX, USA |
| Dec 2012- Dec 2009 | Nudo Piedi Contemporary Dance Company <i>Dancer/Company Member</i> | Laredo, TX, USA |
| April 2011 | Dia Internacional de la Danza <i>Guest Performer</i> | Nvo Laredo, MX |
| Mar 2011 | Texas A&M International University <i>Guest Performer</i> | Laredo, TX, USA |
| May 2008- Aug 2006 | Ballet East Dance Company <i>Dancer/Company Member</i> | Austin, TX, USA |
| May 2008- Aug 2006 | Mezcla Dance Company <i>Dancer/Company Member</i> | Austin, TX, USA |
| May 2005- Aug 1999 | Laredo Ballet Theatre <i>Dancer/Company Member</i> | Laredo, TX, USA |
| May 2003- Aug 1999 | Vidal M. Trevino School of Fine Arts & Communications <i>Classical Ballet, Jazz, Tap, Hip Hop</i> | Laredo, TX USA |

CHOREOGRAPHY

2013

“MORTAL LOUCURA”

Commissioned by Ballet East Dance Company

Austin, TX, USA

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“FRIDA”

Commissioned by John B. Alexander High School Colorguard

Laredo, TX, USA

“UNTITLED”

Commissioned by Lyndon B. Johnson High School Colorguard

Laredo, TX, USA

“WHEN MY HEART IS BROKEN...”

Laredo School of Contemporary Dance

Laredo, TX, USA

“PAQUITA VARIATION 3” (ADAPTED)

Laredo School of Contemporary Dance

Laredo, TX, USA

“RAYMONDA DREAM VARIATION” (ADAPTED)

Laredo School of Contemporary Dance

Laredo, TX, USA

“RAYMONDA PAS DE CHALE” (ADAPTED)

Laredo School of Contemporary Dance

Laredo, TX, USA

“MOTHERLESS CHILD”

Laredo School of Contemporary Dance

Laredo, TX, USA

“GHOSTS”

Laredo School of Contemporary Dance

Laredo, TX, USA

“KARVAN”

Laredo School of Contemporary Dance

Laredo, TX, USA

2012

“NEWBORN”

Commissioned by Lyndon B. Johnson High School Colorguard

Laredo, TX, USA

“MY BABY SHOT ME DOWN”

Laredo School of Contemporary Dance

Laredo, TX, USA

“PETRICHOR”

Nudo Piedi Contemporary Dance Company

Laredo, TX, USA

“TEARS OF JOY”

Nudo Piedi Contemporary Dance Company

Laredo, TX, USA

“METAMORPHOSIS”

Nudo Piedi Contemporary Dance Company

Laredo School of Contemporary Dance

Laredo, TX, USA

“AHA!”

Laredo School of Contemporary Dance

Laredo, TX, USA

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“THE HUNT”

Laredo School of Contemporary Dance

Laredo, TX, USA

“ROUGH CROSSINGS”

Nudo Piedi Contemporary Dance Company

Laredo, TX, USA

“MUJERES DE JUAREZ”

Nudo Piedi Contemporary Dance Company

Laredo, TX, USA

2011

“WHEN SHE LOVED ME”

Nudo Piedi Contemporary Dance Company

Laredo, TX, USA

“WILLOW” (COLLABORATION WITH JUAN PABLO FLORES)

Nudo Piedi Contemporary Dance Company

Laredo, TX, USA

“PASSAGE”

Commissioned by Ballet East Dance Company

Austin, TX, USA

“MIRAME...Y TE DIRE QUIEN ERES”

(COLLABORATION WITH SARAI ALVAREZ)

Nudo Piedi Contemporary Dance Company

Laredo, TX, USA

“ENOUGH. HOPE. FEAR.”

Nudo Piedi Contemporary Dance Company

Laredo, TX, USA

“NOCTURNAL BIRD”

Nudo Piedi Contemporary Dance Company
Commissioned by CERES Danza Contemporanea

Laredo, TX, USA
Nvo Laredo, MX

2010

“WEREWOLF”

Nudo Piedi Contemporary Dance Company

Laredo, TX, USA

“BRIEFCASED”

Nudo Piedi Contemporary Dance Company

Laredo, TX, USA

“HALLELUJAH”

Nudo Piedi Contemporary Dance Company

Laredo, TX, USA

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“MERCY”

Nudo Piedi Contemporary Dance Company

Laredo, TX, USA

“RITUAL HUNT”

Nudo Piedi Contemporary Dance Company

Laredo, TX, USA

“CARELESS WHISPER”

Nudo Piedi Contemporary Dance Company

Laredo, TX, USA

“SISTER”

Nudo Piedi Contemporary Dance Company

Laredo, TX, USA

2009

“LIFELINE” (COLLABORATION WITH COURTNEY MULCAHY)

Texas A&M International University

Laredo, TX, USA

“THE FIRST TIME EVER...”

Texas A&M International University

Laredo, TX, USA

TELEVISION

Sept 2013

TV Commercial-ROPERO ONLINE BOUTIQUE

Laredo, TX, USA

Choreographer, Director, Dancer

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

April 2013

“Dance Tableaus”

San Marcos, TX, USA

TX NAME Conference

July 2012

“Strengthen & Lengthen”

Frisco, TX, USA

Texas Association of Healthy, Physical Education, Recreation
and Dance Summer Conference

May 2012

“Effects of Summer School and Exercise on Physical Fitness
and Weight Gain in Hispanic Adolescents”

San Francisco, CA, USA

American College of Sport Medicine Annual Meeting

July 2011

“Horton Technique”

San Marcos, TX, USA

Texas Association of Healthy, Physical Education, Recreation
and Dance Summer Conference

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| Jan 2011 | “The New Age of Physical Education” International Conference of Health, Wellness & Society | Berkeley, CA, USA |
| April 2009 | “Dance that Matters: Teaching Academics through Dance” Lamar Bruni Vergara Academic Conference | Laredo, TX, USA |

PUBLICATIONS

Zamarripa, J. S., et al (2012) *Effects of Summer School and Exercise on Physical Fitness and Weight Gain in Hispanic Adolescents*. American College of Sport Medicine.

MASTER THESIS

Zamarripa, J. S. (2009) *Dance that Matters: Teaching Academics through Dance*.

HONORS / AWARDS

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| 2013 | Nominated for Teacher of the Year Award-College of Education Texas A&M International University |
| 2012- 2010 | Chancellor’s Teaching Excellence Award Texas A&M International University |
| 2009 | Lamar Bruni Vergara Graduate Travel Grant; TAMIU |
| 2009- 2008 | Lamar Bruni Vergara Scholarship Texas A&M International University |
| 2009- 2008 | Lamar Bruni Vergara Graduate Assistantship Texas A&M International University |
| 2008 | Selected Performer for Tanzsommer Dance Festival in Austria University of Texas at Austin |
| 2008 | Scholarship for Tanzsommer Tour University of Texas at Austin |
| 2008- 2007 | G.E. College Bowl Scholarship University of Texas at Austin |
| 2007 | Nominee for Central Texas Afterschool Network Champion Award |
| 2008- 2006 | Supplemental Education Opportunity Grant University of Texas at Austin |
| 2008- 2006 | Institutional General Fee Grant University of Texas at Austin |

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| 2008- 2006 | University Tuition Grant University of Texas at Austin |
| 2008- 2006 | Student Property Deposit Scholarship University of Texas at Austin |
| 2007- 2006 | Partial Tuition Award; UT Austin |
| 2008, 2007, 2005 | University Honors University of Texas at Austin |
| 2005- 2003 | DD Hachar Honors Program Scholarship |
| 2004- 2003 | University Honors Texas A&M International University |

COMMUNITY/UNIVERSITY SERVICE

2013

LAREDO WOMEN'S CITY CLUB

Member/Volunteer

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION-TEXAS EDUCATION AGENCY PROGRAM AUDIT (WRITING)

Texas A&M International University

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION-AEIR REPORTS (WRITING)

Texas A&M International University

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION-COURSE DEVELOPMENT (KINESIOLOGY)

Texas A&M International University

Present-2009

NUDO PIEDI CONTEMPORARY DANCE COMPANY

Produced, directed, and choreographed 7 shows

Fiscally-sponsored project

2012

KEEP LAREDO BEAUTIFUL

Volunteer

JESSICA S. ZAMARRIPA

LAREDO FARMER'S MARKET

Volunteer

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION-PINNING CEREMONY

Texas A&M International University

2011

KEEP LAREDO BEAUTIFUL "COMMUNITY GARDEN"

Volunteer

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION-PINNING CEREMONY

Texas A&M International University

REFERENCES

CATHERYN WEITMAN, PHD

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