

Tara Wilson

Education:

- 1999 University of Calgary B.A. Dance Studies with distinction

Additional Training:

- 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003 Illadelph Legends - Philadelphia, Pa.
- 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000 Festival Participant - Bates Dance Festival, Bates College
- 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007 Get Down to the Funky Sound - Wilson Dance Projects

Studied With:

- Nancy Stark Smith - Contact Improvisation
- K.J. Holmes - Contact Improvisation
- Kathleen Hermesdorf - Modern
- David Dorfman - Modern
- Doug Elkins - Modern
- Katiti King - Jazz
- Rennie Harris - Hip Hop
- Ron Wood - Capoeira
- Vincent Mantsoe - African
- Clyde Evans - Hip Hop
- Greg Campbell Jr. - Locking
- Electric Boogaloo - Popping, Boogaloo

Additional Workshops with:

- Kaeja d'dance - Contact Improvisation
- Andrew Harwood - Contact Improvisation
- Davida Monk - Modern
- Denise Clarke - Jazz
- Oscar Nieto - Flamenco
- Don Campbell - Locking
- Rennie Harris Puremovement - Hip Hop
- Bradley Rapiere - Hip Hop
- Brian "Footwork" Green - Hip Hop & House
- Caleaf Sellers - House
- Jojo Zolina - House
- Over The Influence - Hip Hop & House
- Ken Swift and 7 Gems – Breaking/Top Rock
- Honey Rockwell - Breaking

Choreographic Experience

- 2007 – Feats Festival - Alberta Dance Alliance
 - "Layers"
- 2007 - Alberta Dance Explosions - Dancers' Studio West
 - "Trading Places"
- 2006 - Slammen Berry Jam - Blue Collar Dance
 - "Ol' Skool" - Niana / Welcome / Freedom to Move / Underneath it all / Layers
- 2004 - Hyped - Feats Festival - Alberta Dance Alliance
 - "Get Ready..."
- 2004 - Common Ground - Eko Dance Projects
 - "It's a Party"
- 2003 - Inside Out - Youth Dance Unlimited
 - "Hey Ladies"
- 2002 - Making Contact - Youth Dance Unlimited
 - "This is about...."
- 2002 - Alberta Dance Explosions - Dancers' Studio West
 - "Listen..."
- 2001 - Alberta Dance Explosions - Dancers' Studio West
 - "pulling through"
- 2001 - Mainstage 2001 - University of Calgary
 - "...lost...looking for you..."
- 2000 - Caitlin's Way Television Show - Hip Hop
- 2000 - Mile Zero Dance
 - "I am Struggling to..."
- 1999 - Alberta's Emerging Choreographers - Dancers' Studio West
 - "And She Fell"
 - "Waves of Wind Hovering Before Joy"
 - "Into Memory"
 - "In and Between Our 2true Selves"
- 1999 - Mainstage - University of Calgary
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- 1998 - Optic Verve - Decidedly Jazz Danceworks
 - "Stream" (in collaboration with Michele Moss)
- 1997 - Mainstage - University of Calgary
 - "Living and Growth"
- 1997-2001 - Youth Dance Unlimited
 - "Searching"
 - "get funky"
 - "James Brown"
 - various elements of each show i.e. finale, opening etc.
- 1993-1999 - Alberta Dance Explosions - Dancers' Studio West 1997
 - "Searching" - Selected as Outstanding and performed all three weekends
- 1995-1998 - Dance Montage University of Calgary
 - "The Bird in the Hedge"
 - "Air and Earth Acapella"
 - "Pendulum"

Performance Experience:

- 2007 - Feats Festival - Alberta Dance Alliance
- 2007 - Alberta Dance Explosions
- 2006 - Slammen Berry Jam
- 2004 - Feats Festival - Alberta Dance Alliance
- 2004 - Inside Out
- 2002 - Springboard Dance
- 2001 - Springboard Dance
- 1998 - New Dance Theatre
- 1997 - New Dance Theatre
- 1993-2002 - Alberta Dance Explosions
- 1994 - Laudes Matris Lucinda Neufeld

Teaching Experience

- 2002 - Present - Director & Facilitator - Get Down to the Funky Sound! Summer Hip Hop master classes
- 2002 - Present - Director - Wilson Dance Projects - Hip Hop – various workshops and projects in schools/studios
- 1999 - Present - Sessional Instructor - University of Calgary - Department of Dance - Hip Hop
- 1995 - 2004 - Instructor - Decidedly Jazz Danceworks - Children's Dance - Hip Hop/Jazz/Teen Program/Modern
- 2001 - 2003 - Instructor - Dance Debut - Hip Hop
- 2000 - 2005 - Instructor - Freehouse Dance Plus - Hip Hop
- 1994 - 2003 - Senior Dance Captain - Youth Dance Unlimited - Assistant to the Artistic Director - Calgary Arts Partnership in Education