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SKIP Entertainment Dance Company 2007

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Alyssa Mariano

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## THE SKIP HISTORY

Many kids have come through the doors with BIG DREAMS! For those who have the work ethic and persistence, their dreams do come true. The SKIP Entertainment Company (SKIP) is a GUAM SUCCESS STORY! SKIP originally started as a project of Children's Productions, Incorporated in 1982, known as the Sunshine Kids in Production (SKIP). Prior to the birth of SKIP, Children's Productions staged a number of children's musicals. Soon the focus turned to dance, giving thousands of Guam's youth an opportunity to excel. Instructors and choreographers continue to come to Guam from Los Angeles and New York City to work with Guam's best. **SKIP was recently named as one of the top 50 dance studios in the entire United States by Dance Teacher magazine, the largest dance trade magazine.** Thousands from around the world were able to read about Guam's very own, SKIP Entertainment Company.

The SKIP Dancers began touring in 1985 when the first group toured the U.S. Mainland and since that time have traveled to dance competitions and performances in the U.S. Mainland, Canada, Europe and Australia every year. In 1991, members of SKIP performed on International Star Search, aired in over 63 countries. Later that year, SKIP was once again selected to appear on Ed McMahon's Star Search. That same year, SKIP dancers appeared on the cover of PERFORMER'S EDGE, a national dance publication.

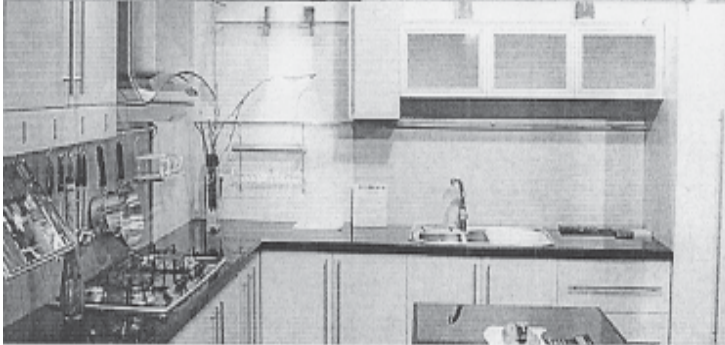
From 1991 through 2006, SKIP has won numerous National and International Dance Championships. One of the most exciting competitions was during the 1996 Jazz Dance World Congress held at the Kennedy Center where SKIP won the International Choreographic Leo's Gold Award. Due to this honor, SKIP was selected as featured performers at the 1997 Jazz Dance World Congress in Weisbaden, Germany. International recognition was brought back to Guam once again when SKIP was honored by winning the Overall Dance Championship at the International Grand Prix Dance Festival in Cesena, Italy in July 2002. The group will once again compete on the International Stage in Prague in July this summer.

## THE SKIP STORY – MAKING DREAMS COME TRUE

Beyond the awards and honors.....are the dreams of hundreds of kids right here on our island. Dreams to work as a professional dancer, dreams to attend college on a dance scholarship, dreams to meet and be trained by some of the world's most famous dancers, dreams to perform on international stages, dreams to have your own television show..... and the dreams keep coming. These dreams have all come true! Many SKIP Dancers are currently working as professional dancers including the Celine Dion Show, the Ricky Martin Tour, Celebrity Cruise Lines, and as dance teachers. Many are or have attended colleges on dance scholarship to NYU, HPU and UH. SKIP dancers have met Mikhail Baryshnikov, and have trained with an Emmy Award winning choreographer, an Emmy Award nominated choreographer, the star of the movie, *You Got Served*, the choreographer for Britney Spears, Michael Jackson's choreographer, the director of the Christina Aguilera Tour and the Artistic Director for the Giordano Dance Company among others. These young dancers have danced on the Star Search Stage, the Kennedy Center Stage, the International Theatre in Italy and will be performing on the National Theatre of Prague. The dancers learned what it is like to have a television show which included numerous hours of rehearsing, taping and attending promotions. Yes Dreams do come true!

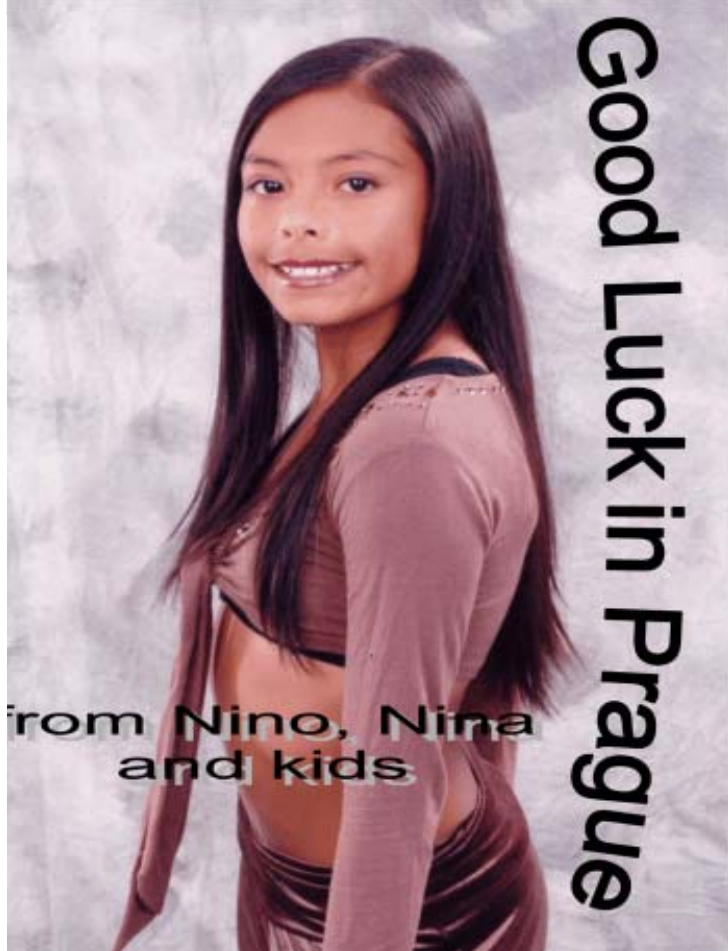
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# The 2007 SKIP Seniors



**We dance for laughter, we dance for tears,  
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we are the dancers, we create the dreams.**



## Ashley Arizala

Ashley is 13 years old and an 8th grader at Andersen Middle School. She is the oldest of four, soon to be five, kids (all are SKIP dancers). She is the daughter of Arnie and Vangie Arizala of Dededo. Ashley has been a part of the SKIP family for eleven years. She says she loves the fact that the SKIP kids are her best friends. She also quotes, "They are all super crazy and INSANE, especially Aria!" Her dream is to star in her own TV show with Aria, entitled *The Suite Life of Ashley and Aria*. She also dreams of permanently having blonde hair just to match people's opinion of her, **BLONDE!**



## Dominic Cadiz

Dominic is the oldest son of Henry and Theresa Cadiz and the newest member of the SKIP family. Having danced for only two full years, Dominic can say that he has found what truly makes him happy. He is a well-rounded performer, however, who enjoys singing, acting, and modeling as well as dancing. With the help of the Knapps, he has been given many opportunities, such as competing and touring with SourceDance (which includes some famous people). SKIP has found a permanent spot in his heart, and the people in it are like family. Dominic is a junior at Father Duenas Memorial School and is proud to be a Phoenician Friar. His dream is to move to either LA or NYC and perform indefinitely. He prays to be successful and to not let his parents down. Afterwards, he hopes to take his earnings back to Guam and to give it to the youth and help out the Knapps with SKIP. His ultimate dream, however, is simple: Do what he loves, and to love what he does.



## Brian Esperon

Brian is a 14 year old freshman at Father Duenas Memorial School. He has been dancing since September of 2000. He is proud to say that it has all paid off, making him as fun and gregarious as ever. He is proud to say that his "kicks" are fierce and fabulous. He loves the atmosphere at SKIP - dancing, touring, traveling, and preparing for competition is the best, and it is ABSOLUTELY fun! Brian dreams that the touring company does well at competition this year and for all the other ones in the future as well. He genuinely dreams for world peace. His plan is to be happy, successful, and rich, but to continue to still help others. This A-honors student dreams to win Fox's *So You Think You Can Dance* and to become a businessman, lawyer, doctor and a computer engineer -- all at the same time, but still be home before dinner!

## Michelle Esperon

Playing big sister to the ambitious Brian is the loving "mama" of the group, Michelle. She is the daughter of Esther and Marcelo Esperon. She is a 20 year old College Sophomore at the University of Guam. She lives in Dededo and has been a part of SKIP for eight years. She considers SKIP to be her second home, and would like everyone to know that she ACTUALLY has a bed there!! She likes to travel, compete, explore new places, and meet new people. On top of all of that, she is studying education and aspires to be one of the best teachers Guam has ever seen. Michelle dreams to stand before Guam's youth, teaching and inspiring them to do their best. She thanks her friends and family for all their love and support.





## *Dominique David-Felix*

Dominique is the 15 year old daughter of Chris and Rose Felix. She attends the Academy of Our Lady of Guam and resides in the village of Tumon. She loves SKIP because it is like her second family. Without it, she wouldn't be able to be the best dancer and person she can be. SKIP has given her many opportunities, such as meeting famous choreographers and celebrities. Everyone in the SKIP family is irreplaceable. She can honestly say that some of the seniors are her best friends. Her dream is to see herself back on Guam running her family business, Century 21, and possibly being a teacher at SKIP. She dreams to be rich and to be happy.



## *Heather Manley*

Heather is a 15 year old student at the Harvest Christian Academy, and is in the 10th grade (sophomore). She is the daughter of Albert and Rellie Manley of Yona. She is also an amazing vocalist, being christened as Guam's Pop Princess. She loves all the people in SKIP and has become close to almost all of them. She enjoys performing and the opportunities it offers. Heather says she owes a lot to her parents and she loves them with all her heart. Her dream is to become famous and to help people deal with poverty, especially in Africa and their financial issues. She would raise money and donate all of it to the RSPCA. She also dreams to have her name in lights and to forever be on stage.





## *Alyssa Mariano*

Alyssa is the daughter of the wonderful Auntie Celine (Perez), as everyone in SKIP has come to know her by. She is 14 years old and lives in the village of Ordot. She is the oldest of three children -- has a younger sister and brother who she loves OH SO VERY MUCH!! This is her first year (freshman) at the Academy of Our Lady of Guam. She has been dancing for about 8 years. Alyssa's dream is to win a competition, OVERALL! After high school, she would like to go to a great college and become a fashion designer or an interior designer or something that deals with style and fashion. It's what she loves most, other than dancing. She dreams to create her very own successful designer line of clothing and accessories. She assures us that she WILL become famous! *(Big smiles and wink).*

## *Giana-Nicole Pangelinan*

Giana is the absolute LONGEST member of the SKIP touring company/family of the present day. being a part of the studio since she was 3 years old! Now, Giana is a young woman at the age of 17, which totals to 14 plus years with SKIP. She is a Junior at the Academy of Our Lady of Guam, and agrees with Dominic when he says that the Class of 2008, as well as dancers, kick butt. She is the strong, tough, and self-sufficient daughter of Gerianne Pangelinan of Agana Heights and, lately, has taken a liking to the aggressive sport of rugby. Her dream is to move to the states, preferably New York, and direct her career either towards business or medicine. She also dreams to be the first person to walk on the rings of Saturn.



## *Regine Vida*

Regine is the youngest member of the senior touring company. She is only 12 years old and is a 7th grader at Santa Barbara Catholic School and has been dancing with SKIP for 8 years now. She states that SKIP is like her second family. Regine likes traveling and meeting new people, so what better way to do so than through SKIP? She is the daughter of Fe and Irving Vida of Dededo. Her dream is to go off to college. She would to attend medical school and become a pediatrician. She also dreams that the SKIP touring company wins at competition, preferably first place. Finally, she dreams to become a big singer and to have her first album come out successfully, turning platinum!



## *Kristine Vo*

Kristine, or Krissy as called by the SKIP kids, is a 15 year old freshman of the Academy of Our Lady of Guam. She is the daughter of Hank Vo and the infamous cook, Auntie Ev of Barrigada Heights. She loves SKIP and she loves the people. She says that the people at SKIP are definitely something different. It takes up a lot of her time, but that's probably a good thing. On her spare time, she likes to play soccer and she goes by the nickname, Krissy Elliott. Her dream is to be the first female to be part of the Barcelona Soccer team. She wants to find a lost treasure and discover a new species of monkeys. She also dreams to be a rich and successful veterinarian or marine biologist.



*Brian & Michelle Esperon*

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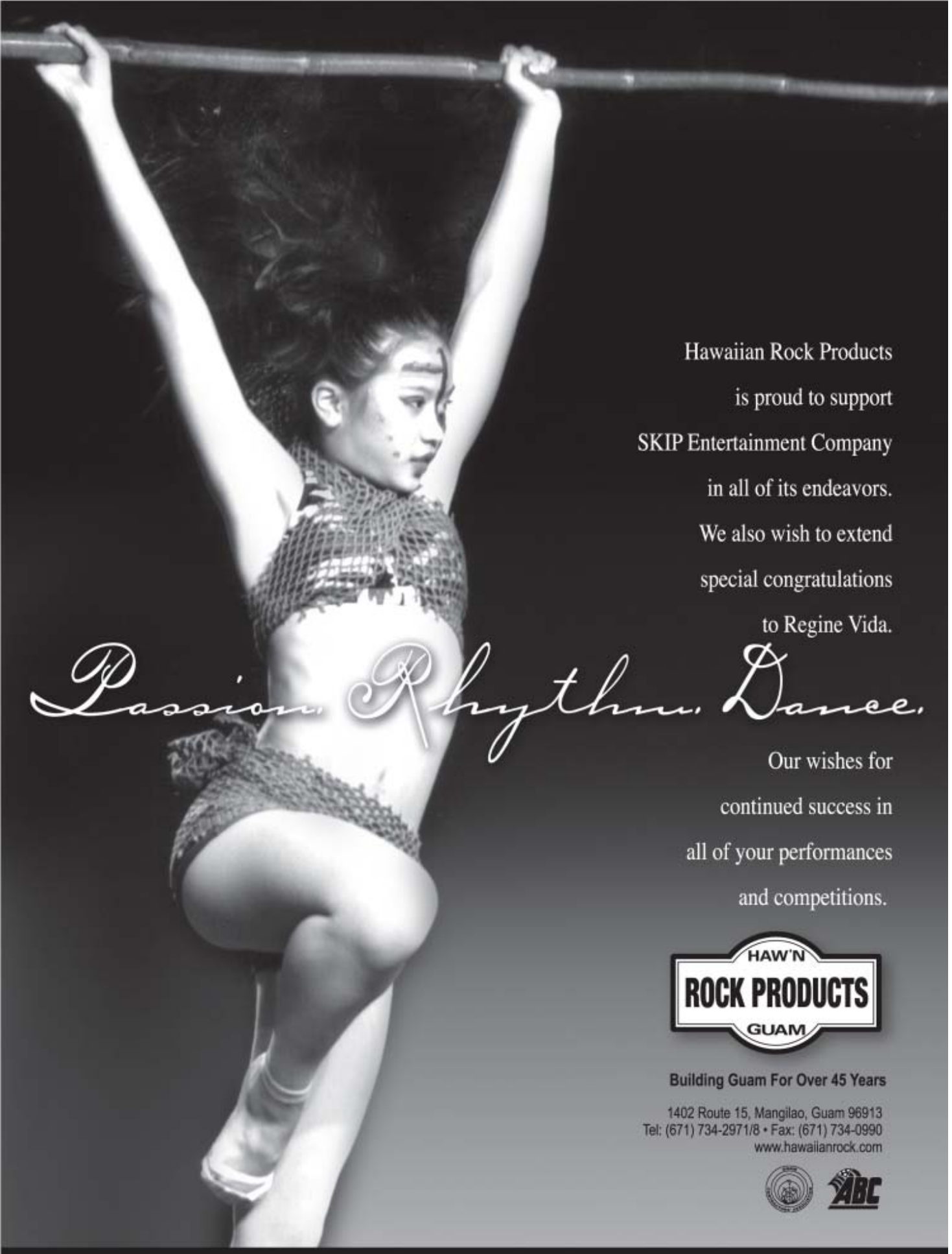
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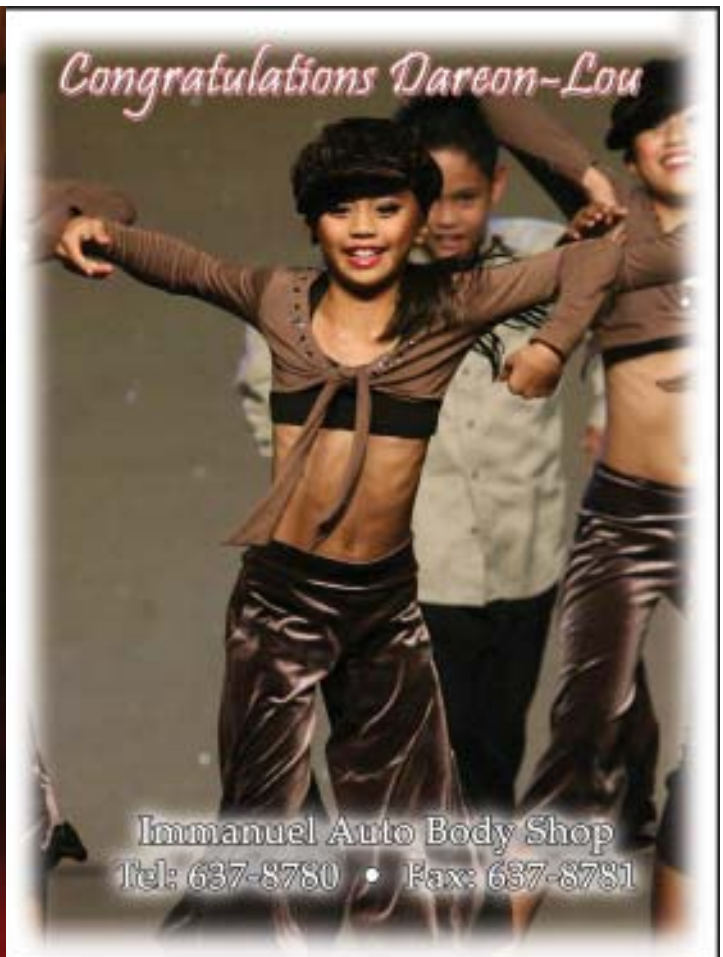
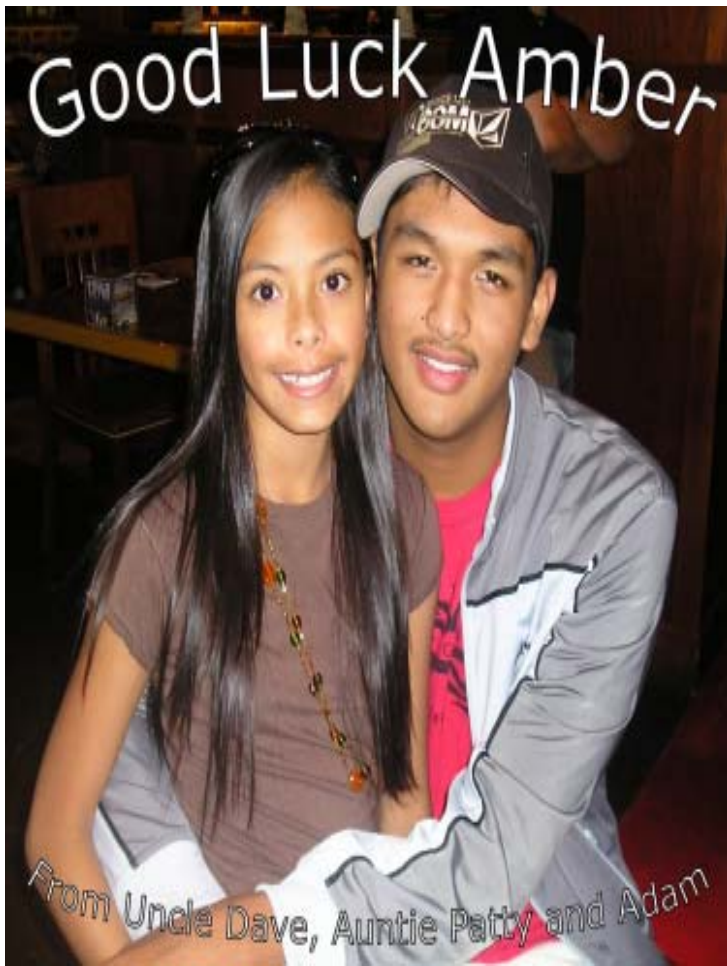
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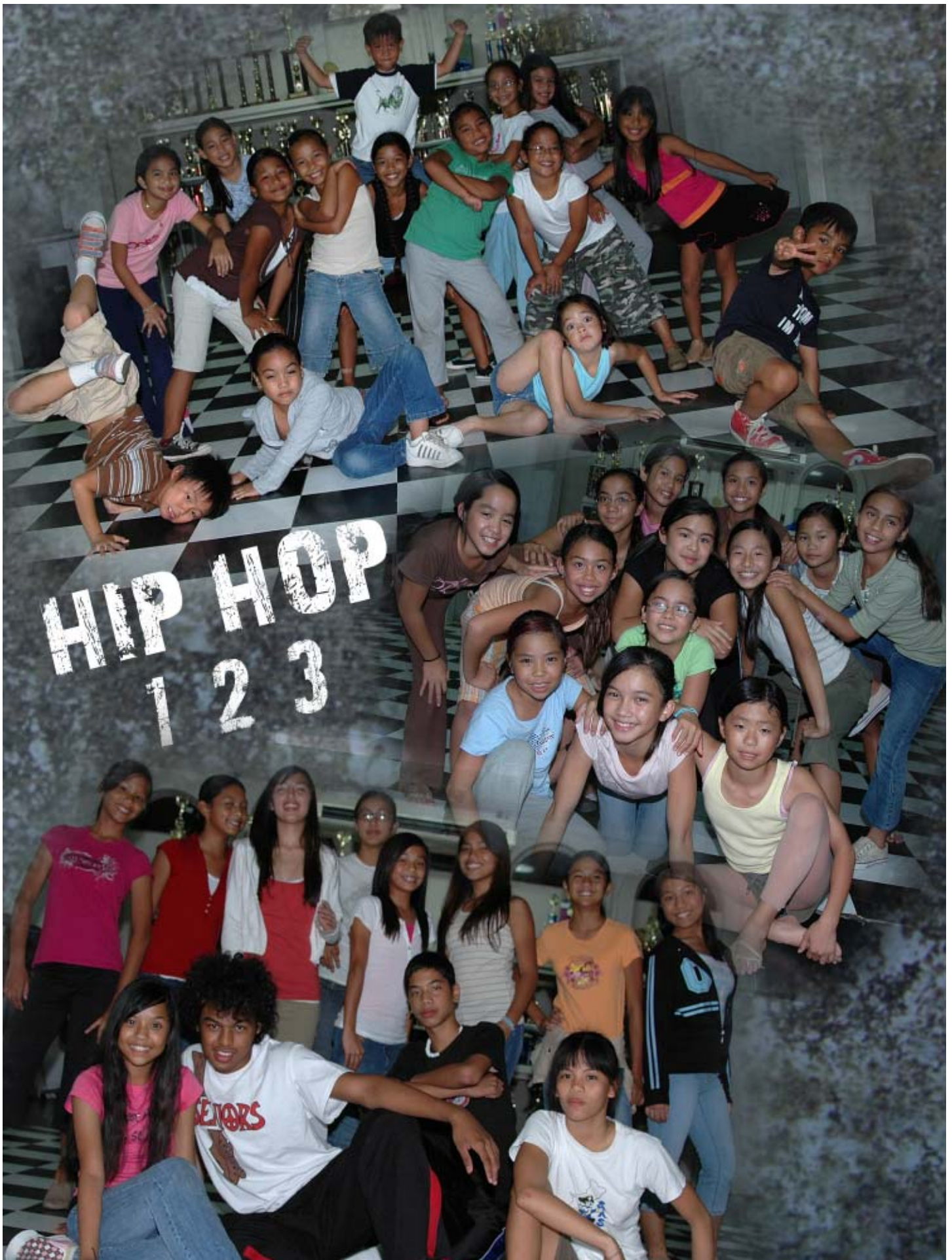


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# The SKIP Pre-Teens



Pick a big dream, a once in a lifetime dream,  
a song in your heart dream, a gift to mankind  
dream, a purpose-filling dream.  
Then run with it and persevere!

- Steve Brunkhurst



**A J Arizala**

AJ is the youngest of the touring company being only 10 years old. He attends Andersen Elementary School and feels SKIP has made him a more confident person. AJ has been a part of the studio since he was three years old. Other than SKIP, AJ plays soccer. His dream is to be taller, stronger, and better than all the other guys that came before him in the company.



**Aria Dimalanta**

Aria is the proud daughter of Marilou and Ariel Dimalanta. She is 14 years old, resides in the village of Barrigada and is an 8th grader at St. Anthony Catholic School. Her dream is to live in Beverly Hills with Ashley and to open up a small vintage clothing boutique and wants a penthouse in every country. In her backyard, she wants lions, elephants and a moose.



**Kevin Gozalo**

Kevin is a 14 year old 8th grader at Agueda Johnston Middle School. He is from the village of Mangilao. His birthday is September 21st, so ladies, don't forget to get him something when he turns 15. His parents are Eddie and Mary Gozalo, and he has three brothers. Kevin's hobbies are volleyball, swimming, and, of course, dancing. His dream is to be successful and famous.



**Monique Guevara**

Monique, also known as "Momo" by the group, is 13 years old and attends Bishop Baumgartner Memorial School. She resides in Mangilao and is proud to be the daughter of Geralyn and Gregory Guevara. She loves to dance every single day. Monique has been with SKIP for seven years. Her dream is either to be a professional dancer or to be a big time lawyer.



**Nathan Lizama**

Nathan is a 12 year old dancer from San Vicente School. He has been a part of SKIP for five years. He is proud to say that he is the son of Beth and Ron Lizama. Nathan's hobbies are dancing, swimming, and soccer. His other hobbies involve the Nintendo DS and Pokemon. He dreams and aspires to be an inspiring professor at the University of Guam.



**Reianna Mendiola**

Reianna is the 12 year old daughter of Norbert and Denise Mendiola. She has a younger brother, Brandon, and attends Bishop Baumgartner School. Reianna is in the 6th grade and has been in SKIP for seven years. Her dream is to live a long, long, VERY LONG time and to be a successful graduate and get into a good college.



**Nikki Muna Quinata**

Nikki is the name, and she is proud to be loud! She is 12 years old and attends William Mc Cool Middle School. She is in the 7th grade, and gives the biggest shout out to her parents, Donna and John "JQ" Quinata. Nikki looks up to Chloe Kernaghan, former senior in SKIP. Her dream is to follow Chloe's footsteps and get accepted into NYU. She wishes to pursue dancing and to open her own studio.



**Darion Rios**

Dareon is an 11 year old student at Bishop Baumgartner. She is happy to call Rhea and Ron Rios her parents. She has been in SKIP for eight years. She assures everyone that she is growing and that she won't be the smallest girl in the company for much longer. Her dream is to get into a great college, to become a famous dancer, and to be successful in all that she does.



**Tiana Jo Tedtaotao**

Sister to infamous Matthew "Mattymo" Tedtaotao, Tiana is the 12 year old superstar who attends Bishop Baumgartner Memorial Catholic School. She is the loving daughter of Joseph and Vanessa Tedtaotao of Malojloj. She has been with SKIP for four years. Her dream is to go to a good college and become famous as well as be successful and live in someplace BIG.



**Amber Rose Tenorio**

Amber is the sweet, loving daughter of Walter and Valerie Tenorio of Mangilao. 12 year old Amber is in the 7th grade at Bishop Baumgartner. She loves traveling, performing, and the pre-teens in SKIP. She has been in SKIP for six years. Her dream is to get into a REALLY good college and become famous. She dreams to make more money than anyone can imagine!!



**Chaunese Valencia**

Chaunese is the 12 year old diva, and surprisingly, does not attend Bishop Baumgartner. Instead, she is proud to say that she is a student at FBLG Middle School and is in the 7th grade. She is also proud to say that she made it to JNHS. Her dream is to go to college and to be a famous dancer. She dreams to maintain her skinny physique and to develop abs.



*Only as high as I reach can I grow,  
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Only as much as I dream can I be.*

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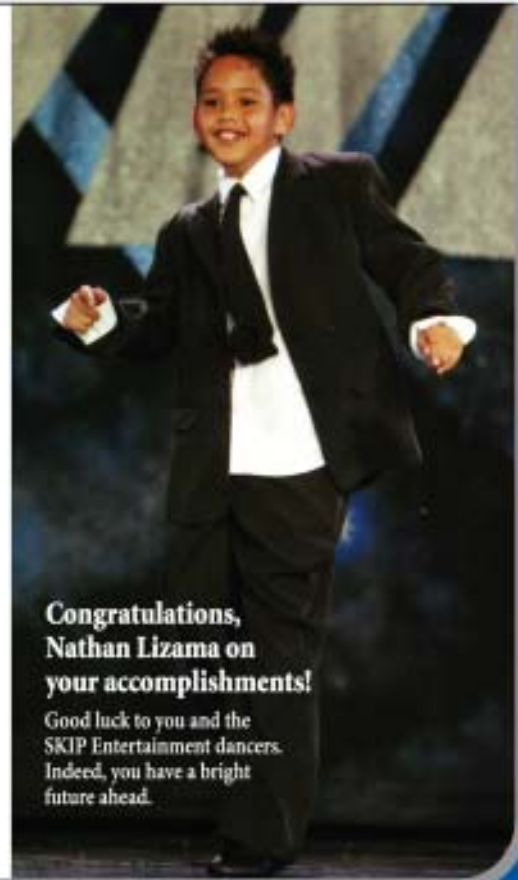
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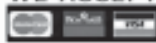
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Jasmine Almouguera  
Mica Almira  
Venecia Chargualaf  
Maricia Mariano  
Artemia Perez  
Ellery Sablan  
Kaeliana Taitano  
Meika Tutay  
Krista Castro  
Nicole Caraang  
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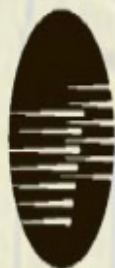
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Chalsea Hare  
Jenniver Roberto  
Jonte Sanchez  
M'Kaylah Sablan  
Talia Skye Sablan  
Sera Unpingco



## 5-6 Jazz

Jaden Cruz  
Madison Kneable  
Amista Lujan  
Jada Moylan  
Mara Tamayo  
Inina Topasna  
Savannah Unpingco  
Liesel Vila  
Tiana Wilbanks



## 7-9 Jazz

Amara Borja  
Kristiana Cruz  
Lauren DelaMar  
Kimberly Johnson  
Kyra Lee  
Atisa Lujan  
Alyssa Moylan  
Artemia Perez  
Jasmine Rupley  
Tia Rupley



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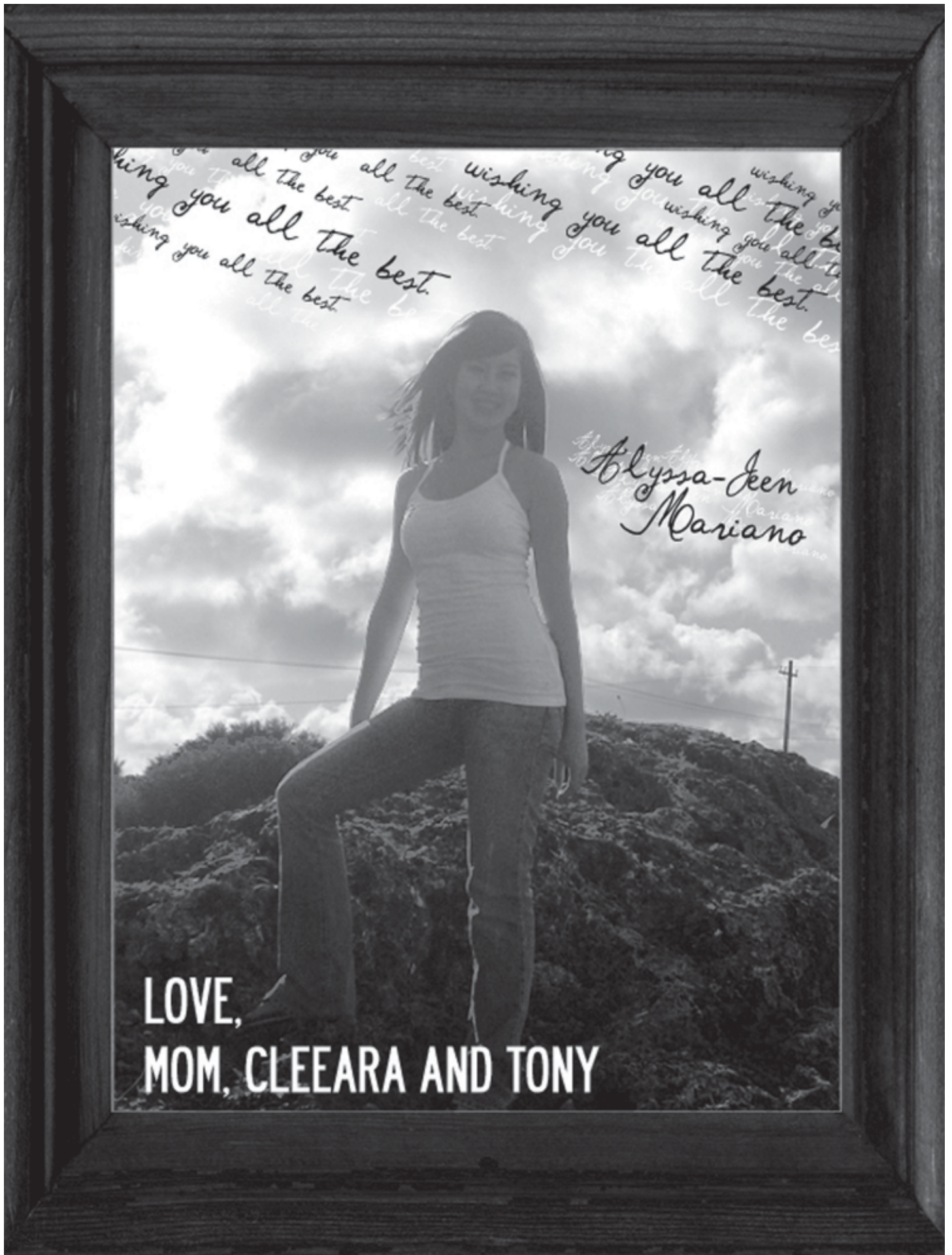
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**Years Competing:** 17  
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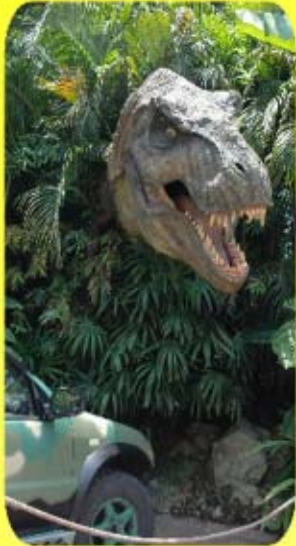
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