

Lauren Straskulic



Lauren was born and raised in Buffalo, New York. She began dancing when she was three years old at Dance Spectrum and continued until she left for college in 2001. Miss Patty opened her eyes to many opportunities within the dance world and helped Lauren become the strong woman she is today. Under Miss Patty's guidance, dance industry doors were opened to Lauren including working with Joe Lanteri and NYCDA.

After graduating high school, Lauren attended Columbia University where she studied Economics and worked for NYCDA throughout her college years. Working for NYCDA gave Lauren hands on business experience and connections in the dance

world. Following college, Lauren moved to Washington, DC where she danced for the NBA's Washington Wizards.

Lauren currently lives in Maryland with her husband and two beautiful children. She works in Washington, DC for a national commercial real estate firm. She also teaches, jazz, lyrical, ballet and conditioning classes at Arabesque Dance Studio. Lauren would not be the woman she is today without Miss Patty's wonderful, fun-loving guidance. Lauren is truly grateful and would like to thank Miss Patty for being an amazing role model. Hammer!

