

2013 Class Notes Archives





TOP: Mireille Alexandra Combari ('13); BOTTOM: Clémentine Guelton ('13)

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• "At 9:30 a.m., when most students are struggling to get out of bed, Kaledora F. Kiernan-Linn '18 is already starting her pliés in company class. As a dancer in Boston Ballet II, Kiernan-Linn is in the studio weekdays from 9:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.—a schedule that will only become more hectic as Boston Ballet begins its performances at the end of October. She will be performing in her first company role in the corps de ballet of "Swan Lake" this October.

A New York City native, Kiernan-Linn (who goes by the stage name of Kaledora Fontana, using her middle name rather than her last) started taking ballet lessons at a young age, "like everyone does in New York" "Some of my earliest memories of ballet are of facing the barre and working on positions and trying to perfect something," Kiernan-Linn recalls. "I didn't care that I wasn't on the music.... I would always be the person who stays after to ask questions about different moves and combinations." At the age of 11, Kiernan-Linn and her family decided to settle down back in New York City. "Dance was a big factor in my life at that point," Kiernan-Linn recounts. "I probably knew when I was eight that I wanted to be a dancer. But it wasn't weird to me, and I didn't think it made me special or something. I just took it for granted that some people want to do other things but that I wanted to be a dancer." Though they were not moving for another year, Kiernan-Linn decided to try out for the prestigious School of American Ballet (SAB) to see if she could make the cut. She did. When it came time to apply to colleges, Kiernan-Linn focused on Columbia, but her mother suggested she apply to Harvard for fun. "I never even imagined I would get in," Kiernan-Linn remembers. After acceptances to Columbia, Stanford, and Harvard came in..... She accepted her spot at Harvard and deferred for a year to finish her ballet training and look for a contract with a ballet company.

The following year, Kiernan-Linn signed a contract with Boston Ballet.....In order to be able to both dance for Boston Ballet and attend classes at Harvard, Kiernan-Linn had to pick her schedule very carefully.....Kiernan-Linn is the first to admit the intensity of her scheduling, which leaves her little time to finish her coursework, let alone sleep.'It's hectic, but I could never imagine myself giving up dance.' "

(http://www.thecrimson.com/article/2014/9/30/kaledora-kiernan-linn-fontana-boston-ballet/)





TOP: Elliott Rogasik ('13); **BOTTOM: Victoire Scherer** ('13)





Kaledora Kiernan-Linn ('13)

• Gaetano Guarducci wrote: "I recently launched an application on the AppStore called "Here" -- a free social networking application for iOS that allows users to share their location with friends all around the world. So far I have over 700 users in just over a couple of months. Check it out!

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- Mireille Alexandra Combari is studying Law at Université Paris Descartes.
- Clémentine Guelton is a student at The Johns Hopkins University (sophomore at the Krieger School of Arts & Sciences, B.A., International Studies & East Asian Studies, expected 2017). She is also a hiking and climbing instructor (at Experiential Education at Johns Hopkins University).
- **Victoire Scherer** is a student at McGill University (Bachelor of Commerce, concentration in International Business and Managing for Sustainability, minor in Cultural Studies, expected 2016).
- Elliott Rogasik is a student at McGill University (Bachelor of Arts, Honors Economics Statistics Computer Sciences, expected 2016). He is also "in charge of a multi-person team responsible for securing McGill Robotics financial support from sponsors in both the corporate and educational worlds."
- Anne-Chantal Leon left the LFNY after 10eme (CE1) in 2002, and then completed her studies at the LF de Madrid (2002-2009) followed by Markham College (2009-2012). She is a "current student at [the] Ecole Hôtelière de Lausanne, leading to a Bachelor of Science in International Hospitality Management in 2017." (ch.linkedin.com/in/annechantalleonpernet)





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