

# **Jasmine Artis**

## **Artist Biography**

Jasmine Artis has been a performer for as long as she can remember, but decided to seriously pursue dance upon entering the University of Maryland in fall 2003. There she co-founded Dynamic Dance Team in the spring of 2004. Jasmine became a member of Culture Shock DC in February 2006. She graduated in May 2006 with a BS in Kinesiology Science and since then has made the dance community a huge part of her life. She is currently the Artistic Director of Mini Shock DC and is so excited and humbled to see so many amazing young people grow and develop as dancers and individuals. She also dances for Contradiction Dance, a local company that merges several artistic forms with the intention of expressing stories. She has performed at several venues nationally and internationally including The Kennedy Center, Warner Theater, ATLAS Theater, Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center, Escondido Center for the Arts and Boisfeuillet Jones Atlanta Civic Center. She has also performed in international festivals in Suzhou, China and Idaho. Jasmine is interested in inspiring people to chase their dreams...fail, fail, cry, love, and keep pushing through the struggle because it is only then that we can find true fulfillment.