

# Artist Bio

Samantha Kate Calubag is a Filipino-New Zealander who has been performing since the age of 8. She is a well-rounded performer from singing, acting and dancing (Ballet, Jazz, Contemporary and Hip-Hop). She began playing the piano and singing at 8 years old and self-taught guitar at the age of 11 and dancing at age 13. Currently represented by Agency 888.

In 2012, she received a scholarship from the National Youth Theatre Company in New Zealand for their production of "Joseph and the Technicolour Dreamcoat".

In 2013 and 2014, she received first in class for Dance in her entire grade and this sparked her love of dancing competitively. In 2015, along with her dance group, placed 1<sup>st</sup> in the Diversity Stage at Polyfest and 10<sup>th</sup> in Street Dance NZ (SDNZ). She moved from Auckland to Brisbane at the end of 2015 and was able to pursue more performing arts opportunities.

Samantha's competitive nature has also helped her excel not only through performing arts but also sports and academics as well.

In 2016, she was a Ballet student at the Studio of performing arts Springfield, she then continued her love of ballet at the Mad Dance House after graduating high school, as well as picking up commercial jazz along the way which helped widen her range of dancing abilities suitable in the performing industry

In 2016-2017, She received the Cultural Diversity/Performing Arts Scholarship at Springfield Central State High for her participation in the arts outside of school.

In 2017, she played the lead role of Carmen Diaz in FAME! The Musical at Springfield Central State High which showcase her talent in singing, acting and dancing. She also travelled to Orlando, Florida for screen acting with David Michael Palance, where she was able to network and showcase her acting abilities overseas in the Premiere Program. In the same year, she also graduated high school and received the Performing Arts Award for her outstanding efforts in the arts.

In 2018, she devoted her time and effort into dance, mainly Ballet and Jazz at Mad Dance House, and acting workshops. She played the lead role of Amy in a student film from Griffith University "Daymare" and the lead role of Ruby from SAE Institute "Second Interview". She also began modelling and was a feature model for the "2019 Safer Schoolies" Campaign.

Samantha Kate is currently residing in Brisbane and studying Nursing. She is passionate about the arts and is willing to improve herself in order to thrive in the industry.