

# Dora Oliveira

## Afro-Brazilian & African Dancer

### /Capoeirista/Musician/Vocalist

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Dora Oliveira's repertoire ranges from Afro-Brazilian dance, jazz, and ballet, to modern dance. She started with the renowned Brazilian folkloric dance troupe Exaltao Bahia, graduated with a dance degree from the Federal University of Brazil, was lead dancer with the group Ocheami, and is now lead dancer with Show Brazil and TRIBE-olution. Dora toured with Olodum and was featured on the Brazilian dance episode "Dancing" on PBS.



## Experience

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2013-present TRIBE-olution performing arts collective exploring the roots of contemporary urban styles in African, Brazilian, and Asian (Shaolin Kung Fu) traditional arts

*Lead African dancer, Capoeirista, vocalist, musician, and choreographer*

1991–present CDSA Leschi / Montlake / Madrona Branches

*Day care teacher assistant, day care teacher, art corps teacher, lead pre-school teacher*

- Developed arts and dance enrichment program
- Taught children ages 2-10
- Prepared meals for children
- Participated in field trips with students, Supervised teachers and assistants.
- Utilized professional dance background to establish student art education program

1980-1990 Ile-Aye / Olodum/Exaltacao da Bahia

*Touring dance performer and teacher*

- Developed, taught choreography for international dance tours
- Performed as featured dancer throughout North and South America

1991-present Gansango / Occeami / Dance on Capitol Hill / Ewajo/Show Brazil / Ashtanga Yoga School / Capoeira Angola Center / Arts Corps /Spectrum Dance /Capoeira Malès Studio /SeaMar/Fresh Fitness

*Dance teacher, choreographer, and lead dancer*

- Created dance programs for students (child, teen, adult)
- Researched/prepared costumes for dance groups (child, teen, adult)
- Designed and taught Afro-Brazilian approach incorporating folk dance styles with body strengthening exercises/movements
- Developed educational tours for dancers, drummers to Bahia, Brazil

1999-present Power of Hope / Centrum

*Teen Summer Workshop Designer and Teacher*

- Developed interactive dance, movement, song, martial art experiences for teens for nationally-recognized programs
- Participated in Team approach to motivating change in troubled youth

## Education

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1986–1991 Federal University of Bahia, Bahia, Brazil

- BFA with emphasis in Dance and Arts

1980-1983 Sacred Family Technical College, Bahia, Brazil

- Technical Nursing

1995-present Seattle Central Community College, Seattle, WA

- Pre-nursing studies

## Languages

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English and Portuguese