

# Ayana Strutz

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## BROADWAY NATIONAL TOUR

THE SPONGEBOB MUSICAL (1<sup>st</sup> National Tour) Sandy Cheeks u/s, Ensemble | d. Tina Landau c. Christopher Gattelli

## THEATRE (Selected)

THE WHO'S TOMMY ^	Asst Dance Captain, Swing*	Goodman Theatre   d. Des McAnuff c. Lorin Latarro
THE MUSIC MAN	Ensemble, Ethel Toffelmier u/s*	Goodman Theatre   d. Mary Zimmerman c. Denis Jones
CIRCUS QUIXOTE +	Sister Sofia, Duchess, Others	Lookingglass Theatre Company   d. David Catlin
25 <sup>TH</sup> ... SPELLING BEE	Marcy Park	Indiana Repertory Theatre   d/c Patdro Harris
CHARLOTTE'S WEB	Charlotte	Arden Theatre Company   d. Whit MacLaughlin
A CHORUS LINE	Connie Wong	Porchlight Music Theatre   d. Brenda Didier c. Chris Carter
PRISCILLA ...DESERT	Cynthia	Mercury Theatre Chicago   d/c Chris Carter
MOBY DICK	Fate, Mary, St. Elmo's Fire	The Repertory Theatre of St. Louis   d. David Catlin
PIPPIN	Theo, Player	Skylight Music Theatre   d. Ray Jivoff c. Christal Wagner
THE KING AND I	Topsy, Royal Wife	Drury Lane Theatre   d. Alan Paul c. Darren Lee
CHARLIE...FACTORY	Gum Chompin' Diva, Ensemble	Paramount Theatre   d. Trent Stork c. Kasey Alfonso
THE MUSIC MAN	Dance Captain, Ensemble	Marriott Theatre   d/c Katie Spelman
BIG FISH	Dance Captain, Mermaid	Marriott Theatre   d. Henry Godinez c. Tommy Rapley
A CHRISTMAS STORY	Dance Captain, Ensemble**	Marriott Theatre   d. Scott Weinstein c. Tiffany Krause

## TV/COMMERCIALS

NBC's <i>Frogger</i> (Season 1)	Principal   Contestant	LAZY DOG RESTAURANTS	Principal   Brandi Firestorm
AMAZON	Principal   Dancer	UNITED AUTO INSURANCE	Supporting   Acrobat
DR. PEPPER	Principal   Swing Dancer	HEFTY	Supporting   Contortionist
CARMEX LIP BALM	Principal   Non-Chapped Woman	BUDWEISER	Supporting   Swing Dancer
GAIN LAUNDRY DETERGENT	Principal   Tango Dancer	DAVE & BUSTERS	Supporting   Acrobat
JOHN FRIEDA	Principal   Curly Hair Woman		
JEWEL-OSCO	Principal   Mom		

## TRAINING

- **Professional Circus Training Program:** Actors Gymnasium
- **BA in Sociology with Dance Minor:** Ohio State University

**Dance (20+ years):** Jazz, Tap, Modern, Contemporary, Ballet, African, Hip Hop

**Circus Arts/Acrobatics (5+ years):** Aerial Arts (lyra, trapeze, silks, straps, Spanish web), Harness, Contortion, Tumbling, Hand-Balancing, Partner Acrobatics, Chinese Pole

## SPECIAL SKILLS

Expert dancer (20+ years), Aerialist (5+ years), Acrobatics (5+ years), Fluent in Japanese (native speaker), Circus School graduate, Costumed character experience, Passport, Drivers License, Great with children, Dance Captain, Expert at fitting inside dryer machines, Local hire in Hawaii and Chicago

\*Performed    \*\*Associate Choreographer    ^ Pre-Broadway    + World Premiere