

ALVIN AILEY AMERICAN DANCE THEATER

RENALDO GARDNER (Gary, IN) began his dance training with Tony Simpson and is a graduate of Talent Unlimited High School. He attended the Emerson School for Visual and Performing Arts and studied with Larry Brewer and Michael Davis. Mr. Gardner was a scholarship student at The Ailey School, has trained on scholarship at Ballet Chicago and Deeply Rooted Dance Theater, and had an internship at the Martha Graham School of Contemporary Dance. In 2008, he received second place in modern dance from the National Foundation for Advancement in the Arts and received the Dizzy Feet Foundation Scholarship in 2009. In February 2012, Mr. Gardner was honored with the key to the city of Gary, Indiana, his hometown. He was a member of Ailey II and joined the Company in 2011.



“...a potent, raw force...”
-DanceTabs

**“a compact dancer with a natural
comedic ability, stole the show...”**
-The New Yorker

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