

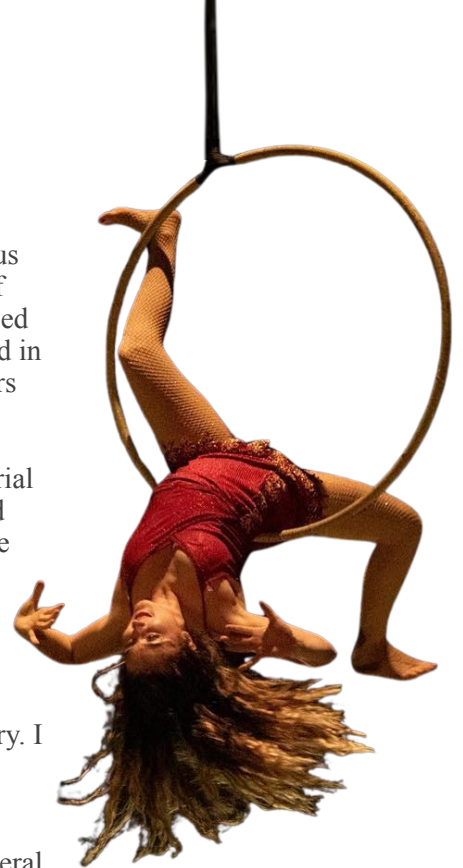
Tess Munro Pedreros

Raised in Aotearoa (*New Zealand*) and schooled by the world, I've spent my circus career collaborating and creating in almost every continent. Working in a range of circus settings; from cabaret to contemporary circus to theatre boats, I've developed shows with several North American aerial dance/theatre companies and performed in some of Europe's biggest big tops. I love the community I find in creative danglers everywhere.

After many circus disciplines initially tried to win my heart I finally found my aerial soulmate in dance trapeze. I relish the way this spinny triangle allows me to blend floor work with aerial dance and utilises my background in silks, hoop, corde lisse and static trapeze technique. My personal practice has a strong focus on improvisation and flow; staying present to the shifting influences of spin, gravity, grip, music, story and other stimuli.

Whether making a solo act or a full length show, my work is always highly conceptual, layering physical expression with theatrical detail and creative imagery. I revel in experimentation and have teamed up with spoken word poets, NASA engineers and Tesla coil musicians to bring my own ideas to life.

I'm passionate about the development of circus arts practice and have created several opportunities to help artists grow; programmes that celebrate artistic experimentation and encourage creative risk-taking.



Performance Disciplines

Dance Trapeze	Corde Lisse
Lyra	Hula Hoops
Vertical Dance	Partner Acrobatics
Multicorde	Silks
Invented apparatus	

Additional Skills

Physical Theatre	Producer
Clown	Teacher
Puppeteer	Mentor
Choreographer	Instructor Training
Director	

Awards & Artistic Development

2024 Grant Recipient

Creative New Zealand Development Fund, Aotearoa

2022 Grant Recipient

Creative Communities Arts Grant, Auckland Council, Aotearoa

2021 Creatives In Schools Selected Artist

Ministry of Education, Aotearoa

2019/2018 Selected Artist

Creative Intensive - Fidget Feet Aerial Dance Theatre, Ireland

2019 Grant Recipient

Emerging Artists Trust, Aotearoa

2019 Grant Recipient

Wellington City Council Arts & Culture Grant, Aotearoa

2019 Selected Artist & Scholarship

Panama Aérea Residency, Panama

2018 Scholarship

Irish Aerial Dance Festival

2018 Scholarship

Vertical Dance Lab, Ireland

2017 Selected Artist

The 48 Hour Project, USA

2016 Emerging Aerial Choreographer Award

Aerial Dance Festival, USA

2014 Grant Recipient

Emerging Artists Trust, Aotearoa

2014 Grant Recipient

Kakano Fund, Aotearoa

2014 Grant Recipient

Scribble Fund, Aotearoa



Upcoming...

Pa'al Mundo - Spain 2025/2026

Creation period for two person show integrating live music, interactive audio technology, aerials, partner acrobatics and hula hoops

Career Highlights

Caravan Linterna Magica - France 2025

Creation and Performances of Virtual Saga aboard the Ombrazee

Sound and Circus Show R&D -Turkey 2024

Creation period for two person show integrating live music, interactive audio technology, aerials, partner acrobatics and hula hoops

European Aerial Dance Festival 2024 - Dance Trapeze Instructor

Teaching week long immersion classes in dance trapeze and an improvisation based warm up class

Dust Palace Show Creation - Auckland 2023

3 week R&D for an original Dust Palace show involving invented apparatus and aerial dance harness

Between the Lines Development Week - Auckland 2023

Directed R&D on an aerial washing line apparatus with 3 other artists

Crave Global Christmas - Auckland 2022

Aerial Rope Performance aboard Ocean Breeze

Caravan Stage Company *Virtual Rogues* - Canada 2022

Vertical dance creation, rehearsal & touring on the mast of 90 ft Tall Ship - Amara Zee Rigging, Lighting Technician, set build up and tear down, deckhand and ship crew duties.

Aum Festival - New Zealand 2021/2022

Lyra, dance trapeze and hula hoop performances

Badaboom presents Maki and The Monster - New Zealand 2020/2021

Puppeteering and physical theatre, touring schools with a of conservation

Prague International Burlesque Festival - Czech Republic 2020

Dance trapeze and lyra solo acts

48 Hour Circus - New Zealand 2019

Producer - Planning, grant writing, budgeting, co-ordinating, facilitating, marketing and delivering a 2-day contemporary circus lab to 10 circus artists with 2 mentors.

Circus Aotearoa - New Zealand 2019

North Island tour, performing aerial silks, trapeze, lyra and hula hoops.

Cirque Berserk - UK 2017/18

Christmas season at Winter Wonderland, London. LED hoop

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Career Highlights Continued...

Chaplin's Circus - UK 2017

Summer season performing single point trapeze, corde lisse, lyra, hula hoops and fire. Created characters and acts to suit a pirate adventure narrative.

AWOL Dance Collective, USA 2016/2017

Guest artist with the A-WOL professional company. Creation, choreography and performing in an original production: Attention Everyone. Dance, Aerial dance harness, bungee dance, invented apparatus.

World of Wearable Arts Awards (WOW), NZ - 2015

Aerial choreography and performer. Three month rehearsal period and three week season performing aerial silks, single point trapeze and aerial harness

Between the Lines 2014/2015

Created, choreographed, directed and produced two sell-out seasons of 'Between the Lines', a circus-theatre show.

Burlesque Ball, NZ - 2014/15

Lyra, Trapeze Hula hoops, LED hoop

The Menagerie Variety Show NZ - 2013/14/15

Regular soloist with lyra, hula hoop, contortion chair balance and dance.



Education & Training

Bachelor of Applied Arts-Performing Arts -Whitireia Polytechnic

Diploma of Acrobatic Arts - WuQiao Acrobatic Art School

Certificate in Circus Arts - El Circo Del Mundo 2009

References - Contact details available on request...

Sara Gabriela Ugalde

Tamaki Makaurau Aerial Arts Collective

Chantal McCormick

Fidget Feet Aerial Dance Theatre

Jaine Mieke

The Dust Palace

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No Fit State Circus

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