

Collection of Snap Shots of an African-American Dancer. Circa 1955

New York?: Circa 1955?

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A collection of black and white photographs of a young black female modern dancer. A total of 66 images of which 43 are 2½" x 3½" and appear to be platinum prints; the other 23 are 3½" x 5" and are gelatin silver prints. A few images are slightly off-center, but are overall fine. Virtually no evidence beyond the images themselves: some penciled dance notation on the verso of one image, and two empty envelopes - one with the name of Camp Milford located on West 42nd Street in New York City (pre-zip code). The dancer is an attractive young black woman in her late teens or early 20s, mostly dancing in the studio or outside, in a few she is paired with a black male dancer, in a few others there are other young women around her in the studio. The static images do not lend themselves to detailed criticism, even were we qualified to do so, but it does seem she was serious and accomplished. Presumably additional research would yield more information. A selection of images follows. [BTC#413173]























