

Le Jardin Distinguished Alumni



Stephany and Vallery Garcia

Stephany S. Garcia (left) is 19 years old and Vallery S. Garcia (right) is 18 years old. Both were students at Le Jardin Community Center and graduated in 2004 and 2005, respectively. As they were growing up, Stephany developed a passion for dancing and Vallery explored her desire to produce visual arts. Stephany graduated from high school in the top ten of her class. Currently, she is attending Miami-Dade College, pursuing her dream of becoming a professional dancer. Her vision includes giving back to her community by establishing a Christian dance studio. Presently, Stephany has taken the first step in engaging with and helping her community by launching a church dance group.

Vallery graduated from high school this year and is working towards her goal of attending the Miami International Art Institute in order to become a professional artist. Her journey as a professional artist has already begun as she sold three portraits during her high school years. She was inspired by her grandfather who was an architect in Ecuador by looking at his drawings and other works of art as a child. Vallery plans to honor his memory by following in his footsteps and making the world a better place through the beauty of art. Her dream is to travel throughout the world, enhancing her art and enriching the world with her art interpretations.