Did you know Parris Goebel... has a hidden talent to write poetry and would like to learn to salsa?

Parris Goebel has travelled all over the world and worked with a host of international stars but she just loves working with “kiwis who have a different way of doing things with their DIY attitude”. She is part of the creative team that produced *Born to Dance*, the first ever hip hop film to come out of Australasia and is “stoked that NZ dancers will have the opportunity to showcase their talents on the big screen and to an international audience”.

Choreographed by Parris, directed by actor Tammy Davis, a writing team that includes renowned playwright Hone Kouka, and featuring music by P-Money, the film premieres in NZ cinemas on 24 September.

“It’s hard to believe this could have happened 10 years ago. It is crazy to see how far hip hop has come and that NZ dance has developed to the point where we have produced a NZ hip hop feature film. Growing up in NZ as a dancer, who would have thought this would even be possible? This is huge for NZ hip hop.” Parris is passionate about working in the film industry and hopes to have the opportunity to direct in future.

Here are some things that you did not know about Parris.

**FAVOURITE SONG TO DANCE TO**
‘Million’ by Tink

**PERSON SHE WOULD LOVE TO HAVE DINNER WITH**
Oprah Winfrey

**FAVOURITE DANCE FILM**
*You Got Served*

**STAGE SHOW SHE WOULD LOVE TO GO AND SEE**
Wicked

**BEST PIECE OF ADVICE EVER GIVEN**
Be yourself

**FAVOURITE BOOK**
Amy Winehouse Biography

**LAST FILM TO HAVE SEEN**
Entourage

**FAVOURITE PLACE IN NEW ZEALAND**
Auckland

**A HIDDEN TALENT**
Writing poetry

**FAVOURITE SEASON OF THE YEAR**
Summer

**A MOMENT IN HISTORY SHE WOULD LIKE TO WITNESS**
When Michael Jackson did the moonwalk for the first time.

**SOMETHING SHE WOULD LIKE TO LEARN**
Salsa

This is the first of a series of profiles on NZ dance people. If there is a dance person that you would like to know more about, email danz@danztanz.org.nz.
Parris Goebel fully embodies the take-no-prisoners attitude that makes her larger than life on-screen. Goebel goes full-out in everything she doesâ€”and says. Don't be fooled by the sound of Parris Goebel's voice. The 25-year-old choreographer and dancer from Auckland, New Zealand, speaks in sweet, soft tones, her demeanor almost demure. But listen carefully to her words and you'll realize that Goebel, who recently relocated to L.A., fully embodies the take-no-prisoners attitude that makes her larger than life on-screen.

Choreographer Parris Goebel Talks On-Stage Beauty. The "Sorry" director and choreographer on self-defense nails, performance foundation, the beauty of going bald, and more. The Royal Family Dance. Request Dance Crew. Parris Goebel. Friday Music. Dance Poses. Parris Goebel Invents the Steps, the Whole World Follows. The world-famous choreographer is making her own music now, because she can. The Royal Family Dance Parris Goebel. Famous Singers. Dance Hall. Choreographer Parris Goebel is the secret weapon behind Rihanna and J Loâ€™s most electrifying performances. She has choreographed for Rihanna, J Lo, Justin Bieber, and Arianna Grande. Now, sheâ€™s stepping into the spotlight as a director. Melanie Bender Joy Buolamwini Parris Goebel Mary D. Nichols Jeffrey Whitford Reginald Dwayne Betts Julie K. Brown Corinna Gardner Lauren Gardner Monica Lewinsky