

# RAIDERETTE OF THE GAME

# Camryn

ROOKIE

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Raiders. Las Vegas. Role model. Camaraderie. All of those added up for Camryn in her quest to become a Raiderette.

“I have always wanted to have the opportunity to inspire the young girls in the dance community I grew up in to chase after their dreams,” said Las Vegan Camryn. “I auditioned to be a Raiderette because it was a dream of mine to continue my passion for dancing in the place where I first fell in love with dance. Being a Raiderette also gives me the amazing opportunity to give back to my community while being a part of a close-knit and supportive sisterhood.”

As one of the rookie members of Football’s Fabulous Females, Camryn finds herself surrounded by incredible teammates who have quickly become her sisters. Whether it be at a photoshoot, filming, appearance or practice, she can often be found lending a hand or offering up words of encouragement to her fellow Raiderettes.

When asked by her sisters how they would describe her, the words loyal, driven and passionate are used. Camryn remains loyal to those she cares about while maintaining an imperative need to achieve her goals and pursue her passions. It is a combination of these skills and her talents that have landed her a spot on the inaugural Las Vegas Raiderettes.

Performing has always been a part of Camryn’s life. She began dancing at the age of five and explored all styles of dance including jazz, ballet, hip hop, lyrical and tap — tap being her absolute favorite. She continued to dance throughout high school and was a member of the Texas Christian University Showgirls dance team. Throughout her years of dance training, she knew one day she would want to be a professional cheerleader. Camryn comes from a family full of dancers. Her mom and aunt were NBA cheerleaders and her sister was an NFL cheerleader as well. She carries on the dance legacy in her family as a Las Vegas Raiderette.

One of Camryn’s first appearances as a Raiderette was filming a dance routine to the Monday Night Football theme song in front of the Bellagio fountains which aired nationally as the Raiders hosted their first home game in Las Vegas. “Growing up here, the Bellagio fountains have always been one of my favorite Vegas staples. Now the fountains have a whole new meaning and will forever have a special place in my heart.” The moment the theme song began to blare through the television, Camryn couldn’t help but shed a tear as she realized she is not only living out her dream but doing so with an organization she so admires and cares for.

Sports have long been a passion of Camryn’s. Throughout her years of college, she studied sports broadcasting. She knew one day she would be chasing down the thrill of gameday from the sidelines, she just didn’t know that it would be donning the Silver and Black Raiderette uniform. As Camryn continues to cheer for the Las Vegas Raiders, she remains ecstatic about welcoming Raider Nation to her beloved city.

