

Maxime Girard's biography

FULL VERSION

Maxime Girard was born and raised in Dolbeau-Mistassini, Saguenay-Lac-Saint-Jean. Even before he could stand on two feet, he had the burning desire to stand on his two hands. At the age of 11, it all began. He started doing gymnastics and soon after dance as well. Then, Maxime evolved in those two domains during 5 years with Troupe Madilhut, a troupe that paved the way for many other professional artists from this area. During those 5 years, he also did one year of specialization in gymnastics in Chicoutimi in the program Sports-Arts-Études. It's thanks to more than a hundred shows and competitions that he discovered, not only the pleasure to fill the stage, but also the pride of being able to create his own acts.

Searching for a connection between gymnastics and dance, he finally discovered circus. It's more precisely when he was 16 years old at the National Circus School of Montreal's auditions that he made his entrance into the circus world. Maxime spent his next 3 years training in the heart of this prestigious school and finally graduated in 2010 as a specialist in aerial hoop.

Continuing to take an interest in his roots, in 2005, Maxime participated as a volunteer performer in a benefit show made to raise money for building a new theater in his home town. In this show, he performed as the main character in an acrobatic dance act with Troupe Madilhut. He was alongside other artists from this area such as Mario Pelchat, Nancy Dumais, a popular singer, Marie-Nicole Lemieux, a well-known contralto and Guylaine Tanguay, a country singer. Three years later, he participated at the opening show of this amazing theater, but this time he was representing the National Circus School with his solo act in aerial hoop.

Maxime approaches his work with dynamic energy. He's an artist with strong technical skills which refuses to neglect his artistic side. He likes to fully invest himself in every project he does, and he wants to extend his knowledge more and more while he's doing a job that fascinates and inspires him.