

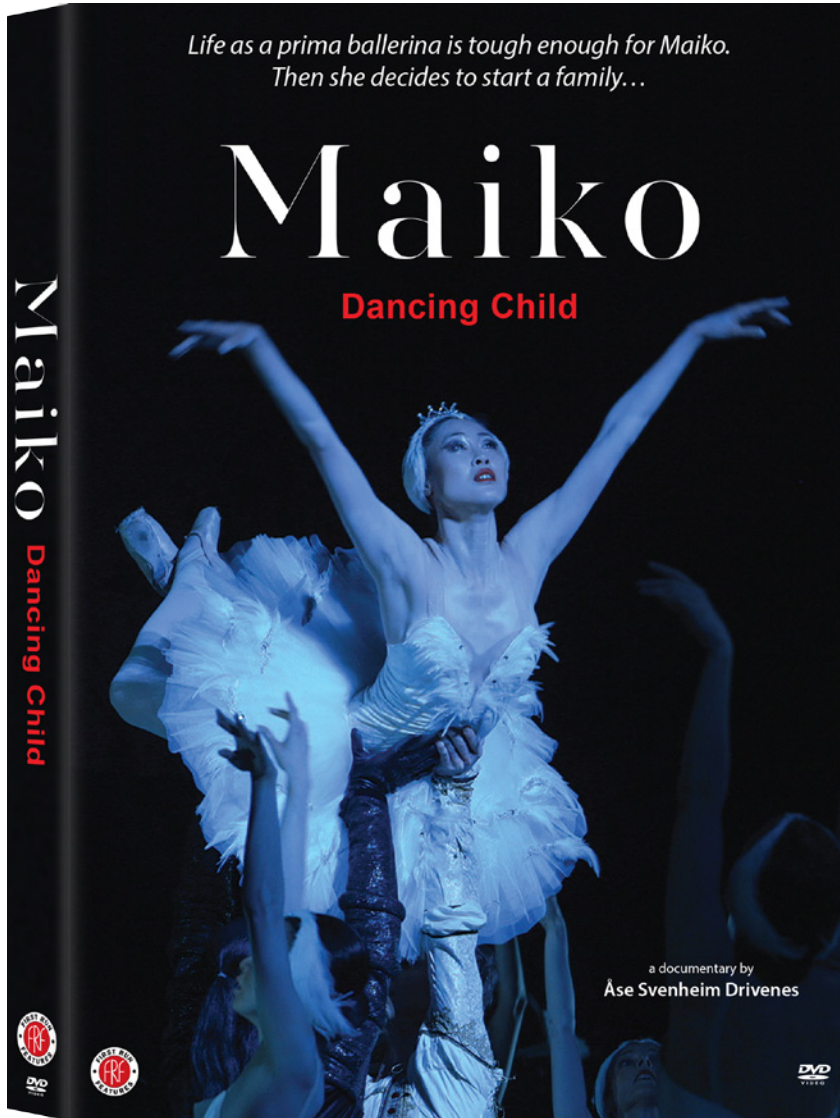


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Maiko Nishino's destiny was decided before she was born. Her name, Maiko, means dancing child. Her mother sold their house and car to send 14 year-old Maiko to the most prestigious dancing academies in Europe. Maiko knew she couldn't return to Japan as a failure.

Now Maiko is 32 and at the top of her career as a prima ballerina for the Norwegian National Ballet. But Maiko is not a young dancer anymore, and talented newcomers are longing for her position. When Maiko decides to start a family, she is forced to make decisions that might jeopardize everything she has worked for. Norwegian filmmaker Ase Svenheim Drivenes explores the incredible and inspiring story of **Maiko, the Dancing Child**.

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