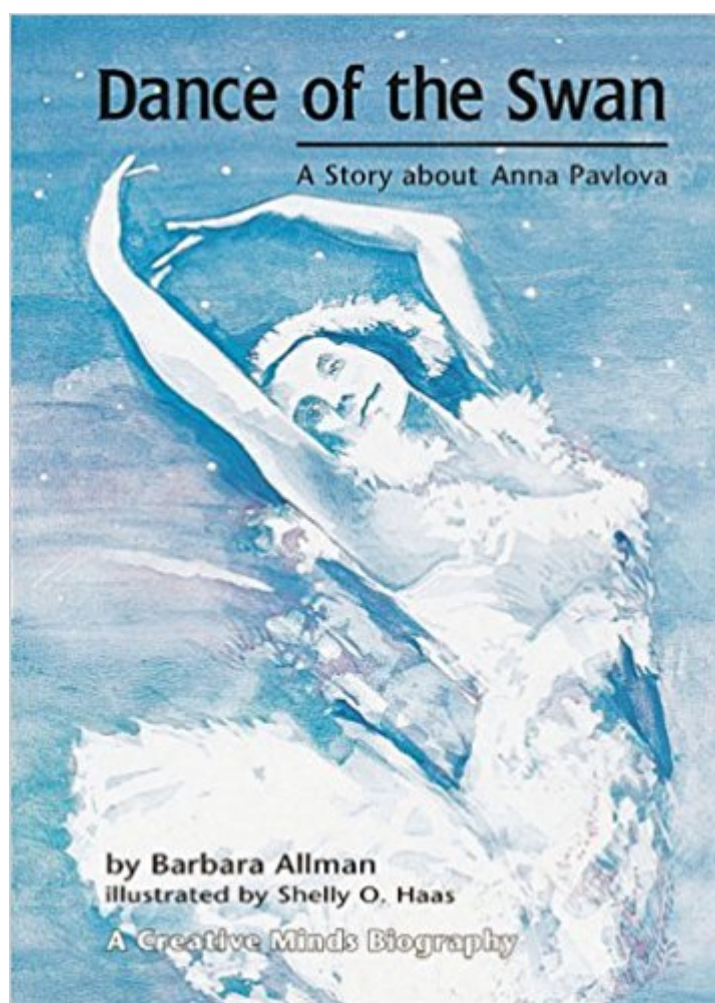


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Synopsis

Born in St. Petersburg, Russia, in 1881, Anna Pavlova grew up dreaming of becoming a prima ballerina. Throughout her lifetime, Anna inspired and encouraged people around the world with her exceptionally graceful and expressive dance. Believing that expressing beauty is essential to the human spirit, Anna strove to help audiences discover the soaring beauty that could uplift their spirits.

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I bought this to give to my granddaughter who is in ballet, to stimulate her reading interest. I read it first to know what she would be reading. I had read a bio of Anna Pavlova when I was young, but have little memory of it now. There was a lot of info packed into a brief book. Could have used a little bit of editing (just my personal opinion). Still, worth a read.

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