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**TV Dance Competition Winner
Charged with Domestic Violence**

A 27-year-old dancer who was a winner on the television show “So You Think You Can Dance” was charged today with domestic violence charges, the Los Angeles County District Attorney’s Office announced.

Joshua Demon Allen (dob 3/13/89) of North Hollywood faces two felony counts of willfully injuring a girlfriend after a prior conviction and one felony count of assault with a deadly weapon, a glass vase.

Case LA083861 also charges Allen with two misdemeanor counts of disobeying a domestic relations criminal protective order and one misdemeanor count each of simple battery and vandalism under \$400.

Arraignment is scheduled today in Department 100 of the Los Angeles County Superior Court, Van Nuys Branch.

The criminal complaint alleges a prior Jan. 13 conviction of one misdemeanor count of willfully injuring a girlfriend for which a criminal protective order was issued prohibiting the defendant from communicating with his girlfriend.

On April 13, Allen is alleged to have assaulted and strangled the same woman, prosecutors said. Approximately two months later, on June 19, while facing prosecution for the alleged April 13 incident, the defendant reportedly attacked the same victim and she ran to a nearby coffee shop to ask for help, prosecutors added.

Allen allegedly chased her into the coffee shop and threw a glass vase at a woman who attempted to help the victim and attacked another man who also tried to intervene, prosecutors said. According to the criminal complaint, the defendant then vandalized the coffee shop until he was finally subdued by other good Samaritans, prosecutors added.

If convicted as charged, Allen faces a possible maximum sentence of more than ten years in state prison.

Prosecutors will ask for \$270,000 bail.

The case remains under investigation by the Los Angeles Police Department, North Hollywood Station.

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