



Laura Frank has made the switch from dancer to singer. Picture: Luke Marsden

NOW SHE'D RATHER BE SINGING

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QUEENSLAND dancer turned singer-songwriter Laura Frank has nabbed her first coveted country music award and is well and truly on the road to fame.

New to the country music scene, the edgy artist was quick to make her mark, with hit singles *Things I'd Rather Do* and *Leave It All Behind* shooting to top 10 of the music charts during 2022.

On Thursday night, Frank took home the award for most promising future star at

the Australian Country Music People's Choice Awards in Tamworth.

It was the first time she had been nominated for a music award after ditching a 20-year long dancing career to become a musician.

"A couple of nights ago I wrote in my diary about how apprehensive I was feeling towards coming to Tamworth this year and being nominated for my first award," Frank said. "I spent the better part of 20 years as a dancer, competing in hundreds of eisteddfods and

sitting countless dance exams. The feedback that always came back was that you've got lots of potential."

Tired of sitting behind the pack, Frank decided to make a huge lifestyle change and become a trailblazing musician. Her new mindset: "If I don't have hope, how can I inspire, create and forge a path forward?"

Receiving her first award as a country musician, a thrilled Frank said she was just getting started.

Her next single will be released on February 17.