

**13th Annual
Maryland Dance Alliance Performance
Thursday, April 3, 2025**



7:00 P.M.

Gordon Center for Performing Arts

Owings Mills, Maryland

Sponsored by the Maryland Dance Education Association

The mission of the Maryland Dance Alliance is to cultivate student leadership through the participation of schools, studios, and community programs with National Honor Society for Dance Arts chapters and make connections between high school age dance programs from across Maryland.

Maryland Dance Alliance Program

*Please silence all cell phones and any other sound-making devices.
No flash photography or videotaping of any kind is permitted.
The program is approximately ninety minutes in length.*

ACT I

The Groove Never Stops

Potomac High School

Marsinah Vaughn, Dance Teacher

*Dancers: Antaniyah Doy, Niyauna Estep, Keshon Jones, Tamyrah Mcelhaney,
Johneeka Parson, Claudia Pineda Davilla, Makayla Petty, Khloe Smith, Zoie Sparks,
Serenity Styles*

Choreographer: Marsinah Vaughn

Music: You Can't Stop the Beat from the Motion Picture Soundtrack Hairspray

The Stranger

Hereford High School

Erin Norton, Dance Teacher

*Dancers: Charlotte Bauermann, Kat Fradlin, Kylie Harbaugh, Callie Mays Uti Obu,
Grace Oler, Finley Ready*

Choreographer: Charlotte Bauermann

Music: The Stranger by Billy Joel

Lest We Forget

Laurel High School

Keitra Casimir, Dance Teacher

*Dancers: Danielle Agyei, Bryan Binney, Christian Caldwell, Morgan Clarke-Benjamin,
Alana Cousin, Na'Shayla Cusseaux, Seven Ford, Kaili Haines, Glory John,
Trinity Matthews, Aaliyah Minwah, Denise Nolan, Helen Nwachukwu, Taylin Oates,
Giselle Padilla-Reyes, London Rawls, Yoslin Santana, Halie Stewart, Dahlia Sucre,
Tikii Winn*

Choreographer: Keitra Casimir

Music: In the Castle of my Skin by Sons of Kemet

Before I Go

Franklin High School

Leanne Gibson, Dance Teacher

Dancers: Torri Anhwere, Cassidy Bridgers-Thomas, Taylor Churchill, Tamia Fountain, Anjola Kukoyi, Kapri Leonard, Daisy Ononye, Khloe Redd, Arya Shah, Sanaya Stewart, Tara Stolusky

Choreographer: Leanne Gibson

Music: *Dreaming of the Stars* by Alej and *As Time Flies* by Ty's Music

Search Me

Perry Hall Christian School

DeJelle Brebnor, Dance Teacher

Dancers: Laney Beecher, Dhamira Boyer, Lilianna Carroll, Anna DiStefano, Xia Johnson, Gabriella Shinn, Reagan Wilson

Choreographers: DeJelle Brebnor, Xia Johnson, Anna DiStefano, Liliana Carroll, Reagan Wilson, Dhamira Boyer, Gabriella Shinn, Laney Beecher

Music: *Search Me* by Travis Greene ft. Tasha Cobbs- Leonard

ReVISION

The John Carroll School

Laura Ward-Moran, Dance Teacher

Dancers: Aaliyah Angel, Pia Argueta, Natlie Barton, Elizabeth Bernstein, Keira Bohlen, Elizabeth Calise, Claire Colon, Molly Freeburger, Laney Jastrab, Gabby Loretani, Maureen McMennamin, Ava Montalvo, Elise Moran, Maddie Mullahey, Cetta Redmer, Emily Simmons, Jada Simms, Aubrey Zerhusen

Choreographer: Laura Ward-Moran

Music: *Transformation* by The Cinematic Orchestra and London Metropolitan Orchestra

Coventry Carol

Mount de Sales Academy

Angela Romeo, Dance Teacher

Dancers: Savannah Beall, Olivia Calabrese, Lily Galoppo, Zahra Gill, Makayla Knecht, Ella Moran, Katelyn Rosenberger

Choreographer: Angela Romeo

Music: *Coventry Carol* by Traditional/Benedictines of Mary

Pretty Wings

New Town High School

Tristen Butler, Dance Teacher

Dancers: Ayomide Amokomowo, Drew Blackwell, La' Nae Codlin, Kendall Davison, Bailey Ferrell, Zuri Grant-Goddard, Jazlynn Jackson, Aniyah Johnson, Isabella Orengo, Tahjee Reeder, Kerys Sanders, Gabrielle Smith, Paris Waters

Choreographer: Tristen Butler

Music: *Pretty Wings* by Maxwell

Endophasia

Northeast High School

Emily Moul, Dance Teacher

Dancers: Grace Bennett, Keaira Bruce, Amaiya Dorsey, Kyley Frey, Candece Ita, Leia Kouns, Madison Livingston-Matthews, Chloe Mabe, Amerie Mann, Amaris McKisset, Ava Moody, Melissa Novak, Madison Owen, Dazanni Rolle, Erin Ross, Sade Sam, Briella Serio, Emily Sims

Choreographer: Emily Moul

Music: *Last Night I Heard Every* by Oliver Tank

Intermission - 10 Minutes

ACT II

The Heartbeats

Crofton High School

Rachel Morrissey, Dance Teacher

Dancers: London Barber, Lexi Chisari, Kennedy Devine, Gillian Failli, Sasha Failli, Caroline Healy, Aubrey McCall, Madelyn Neal, Mila Sandi

Choreographer: London Barber

Music: *Nothing But Love* by *The Five Heartbeats*

A Tapestry of Techniques

Northwestern High School

Bayardo Martinez, Dance Teacher

Dancers: Nigisti Bohadgo, Brianna Brewley, Shenoa Medina, Ressa Pinnock, Mariana Ramos

Choreographer: Bayardo Martinez

Music: *Drum Trip* by Rusted Roots

Iudicium

Edgewood High School

Abigail Bennett, Dance Teacher

Dancers: Aaliyah Ayantayo, Allaysia Bessent, Kayla Butler, Jakai Davis, Taylor Day, Ava Demcher, Abigail Gonzalez, Emma Healy, Jillian Hester, Jaime Lopez, Zoey Seummalavanh-Sayarath, Evelyn Stryjewski, Melanie Varela, Natalie Watson

Choreographer: Ava Demcher

Music: Ptolemaea by Ethel Cain

The List

Owings Mills High School

Christina Collins, Dance Teacher

Dancers: Morgan Avery, Mariyah Calloway, Cree Cathey, Dominique Davis, Melany Garcia, Ashley Luna-Guevara, Brienne Henry, Marla Julien, Khloe Kelly, Destiny Lane, Autumn Lockamy, Christina Parker, Breyona Richardson, Zakiya Richardson, Lashay Saunders, Caitlyn Smith, Sydney Smith, Trinity Topping, Kashiya Valentine, Niyah Weaver

Choreographer: Christina Collins

Music: Theme from Schindler's List by John Williams

Live.Love.Dance!

Jim Henson Academy of Visual & Performing Arts at Northwestern High School

Bayardo Martinez, Dance Teacher

Dancers: Luisen Asanji, Jazmyne Cesar, Sharae Freeman, Kimora Goodwine, Roberta Hottab, Niyell Jones, Louissetta Koh, Brianna Moscoso, Hellen Paredes-Jeronimo, Jeanna Parrish, Makyra Turner

Choreographer: Bayardo Martinez

Music: Khona by Mafikizolo

Earth

Bowie High School

Tamara Henry, Dance Teacher

Dancers: Charlotte Boatwright, A'nyla Carroll, Naomi Estrada, Jordyn Fullard, Brooklyn Kenan, Brielle Mccoy, Londoun Pointer, Anya Proctor, Lizmary Smith-Polonia, Gabrielle Tchemy, Sarahjoy Wesseh, Lia Woodfolk

Choreographer: Tamara Henry

Music: Earth by Garth Stevenson

Four Elements

The St. Paul's Schools

Natasha Rhodes, Dance Teacher

Dancers: Ally Auman, Aubrey Barrett, Finley Beynon, McKayla Boyle, Whitney Cathell, Tessa Ercolano, James Frank, Alex Getschel, Caroline Guest, Alexia Kopp, Avery Lippe, Asyah McLaurin, Talie Morse, Robby Mueller, Kate Puente, Ava Rehak, Isabelle Rehak, Maggie Mae Schlossberg, Maegan Torppey, Johana Yishak, Houda Yousfi

Choreographer: Natasha Rhodes

Music: Four Elements by Nils Frahm, Lisa Gerrad, Ustad Zakir Hussain, Anne Muller, and Brendan Perry

I.AM.HERE

Milford Mill Academy

Kelly Holt and Kutia Jawara, Dance Teachers

Dancers: Page Artis, Aliyah Blanding, Saraia Colbert, J'Lynn Johnson, Jordyn McCullers, Kayla McMurray, Aniyah Moore, Ibukun Ojemuyiwa, Sanaa Richardson, Janeiah Stowers, Taylor Tapp, and Gabbrielle Turner (Magnet III) Ja'mira Barrett, Skye Cooper, Imani Cornish, Camila Gonzalez, Janaya Harris, Amara Leonard, Kyla Randall, Olivia Simmons, and Maliyah Washington (Magnet IV)

Choreographer: Kelly Holt

Music: I Am Here by P!nk

CRAFTY

The Academy for the Fine Arts at Governor Thomas Johnson High School

Stephanie Weigelt, Dance Teacher

Dancers: Natalie Birney, Annabel Clark, Caleb Conway, Hannah Gorham, Savannah Landon, Bailey Laverty, Kensington Noweski, Addy Smith, Selena Snow, Rayna Spriggs, Mykenzie Swanson, Lauren Tanner, Erin Thomas, Isabella Zimmerman, Kaitlyn Valle

Choreographer: Stephanie Weigelt

Music: We Will Find It by Emily Glass/Dasychira; Rock Scissors Paper by Zombie-Chang

Announcement of 2025 Maryland Distinguished Dance Scholar Award Winners

End of program

Thank you MSAC! This event is supported in part by the Maryland State Arts Council. To discover more about the Maryland State Arts Council and how they impact Maryland, visit msac.org.



The mission of the Maryland Dance Education Association is to serve dance educators and elevate dance in the State of Maryland as a creative process, discipline, and performing art that informs the human experience in a variety of environments including, but not limited to, dance studios, K-12 schools, colleges, universities, recreational and community centers.

The Maryland Dance Education Association is a proud state affiliate to the National Dance Education Organization.



For more information about the Maryland Dance Education Association, please visit www.mddanceed.org.



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Crofton High School
Edgewood High School
Fairmont Heights High School
Franklin High School
Frederick Douglass High School
Hereford High School
The John Carroll School
Kinetics Dance Theatre

Laurel High School
Milford Mill Academy
Mount de Sales Academy
New Town High School
Northeast High School
Northwestern High School
Owings Mills High School
Perry Hall Christian School
Potomac High School
St. Paul's Schools
Suitland High School

Acknowledgments

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MDEA and the Maryland Dance Alliance Planning Committee would like to thank all the volunteers, teachers, and students who have made today possible. We hope to see you all back next year!

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Sara Shalva, Chief Arts Officer

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Finally, many thanks to the University of Maryland dancers for their guest performance this morning and to all our master teachers for a fabulous day of classes: Niyah Harris Ellis, Jonathan Hsu, Kathryn Jacques, Elisabeth Lee, Maggie Lockhart, Sheila Oak Maggin, Liz Rakoski, Meredith Sibley, Camille Weanquoi, Jaycie Young