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C4 Performing Arts Newsletter... Art & Soul



A Message From Our Founder and CEO

Hello C4 Family and welcome to the start of a new season, which means new opportunities to grow and to share our love for the performing arts with our incredible community. For 11 years C4 Performing Arts has been infusing the DC Metropolitan community with the beauty and joys of the performing arts. Over the past 11 years we are proud to have produced recitals and benefit concerts to support various causes such as Breast Cancer Awareness, HIV/AIDS Awareness, relief efforts after natural disasters, food/clothing/toy drives for families in need and care packages for senior citizens as well as our military troops over seas, to name a few. We are also proud of our robust studio classes in dance, music, acting, spoken-word poetry, visual art, as well as our diverse offering of after school enrichment and community outreach programs for children and adults.

One of our greatest accomplishments of our 10th anniversary season was the founding of a professional dance company under the C4 Performing Arts umbrella, Claytor Company. The company premiered "*Together/Alone*" at the Dance Institute of Washington in the pring of 2022.

I am so proud of our C4 Family; who we were 11 years ago, who are today, and who we are destined to become! Together, we will continue to harness the transformative power of arts to positively impact and change the world! C4 truly is where your creative spirit learns to soar and we are excited to reach higher heights with all of you, our loving C4 Family!

"People who soar are those who refuse to sit back, sigh, and wish things would change. They neither complain of their lot, nor passively dream of some distant ship coming in. Rather, they visualize in their minds that they are not quitters; they will not allow life's circumstances to push them down and hold

them under. Do you soar?" -Author Unknown

With all my love, Stacey Yvonne Claytor, M.F.A. C4 Performing Arts, Founder/CEO

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Summer 2022!

This summer was so much fun! We had some terrific classes and workshops and we also won 3rd place in the performing arts category at the City of Fairfax Independence Day Parade!



We ended summer and kicked off the school year with a C4 pool party! The C4 Family would love to give a big thank you to Col. Robert Fairchild, Mrs. LaKita Jones, our C4 partner W&H Realty, our incredible faculty/staff, students, and parents for helping make this party a huge success. We had an amazing time with friends and family and cannot wait for more C4 celebrations.



City of Fairfax: National Dance Day 2022

Location: Old Town Square (10415 North Street)

Date: Saturday 9/17/22 National Dance Day Schedule: 12:35pm Warm Up 1:45pm Peformance 2:00pm C4 Faculty Lead Class



We are so excited to be a part of another National Dance Day celebration! This year, Claytor Company and student artists will not only be performing, but our C4 faculty member, Ms. Hermione Rhones, will be leading a West African class with our guest drummer, Mr. Nate Oliver, following the performance. We cannot wait to see you there!



Register for Classes NOW!

PLEASE NOTE: Registration/Membership fee of \$104 includes the provided mandatory dress attire (shoes are not included).

Dress code for students who identify as...

 Male: C4 shirt and dance pants

 Female: Color coordinated leotard and tights/bottoms for the specific skill level and class

 Non-binary: Option to choose the male or female dress code (please contact Ms. Stacey on which dress code is perferred)

11th Anniversary Weekly Class Schedule 9/6/22 - 7/10/23

| Monday | 5 - 6:30pm Core 4: Youth & Junior (Ages 5-10) |
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| @ Sherwood | <i>Click <u>HERE</u> to Register</i> |
| | 6:30 - 8pm Core 4: Advance Junior & Senior (Ages 11-17) <i>Click <u>HERE</u> to Register</i> |
| Tuesday | 5:30 - 6:30pm Hip Hop: Youth & Junior (Ages 5-12) |
| @ Green Acres | <i>Click <u>HERE</u> to Register</i> |
| Wednesday | 5:30 - 6:30pm Core 4: Junior (Ages 6-11) |
| @ Green Acres | <i>Click <u>HERE</u> to Register</i> |
| Thursday | 6 - 7pm Hip Hop: Teen/Adult (Ages 13+) |
| @ Green Acres | <i>Click <u>HERE</u> to Register</i> |
| Saturday | 10:30am - 12pm Core 4: Youth & Junior (Ages 5-10) |
| @ Sherwood | <i>Click <u>HERE</u> to Register</i> |
| Saturday @ Sherwood/ Green Acres | 12:30 - 3pm Core 4: Advance Junior & Senior (Ages 11-17) <i>Click <u>HERE</u> to Register</i> |

Upcoming 6 Week Class Sessions

9/22/22 - 10/28/22

Membership fee not required

Thursday
@ Sherwood7:30 - 8:30pm C4 After Dark: Sensual & Sassy (Ages 18+)
Click HERE to RegisterFriday7:15 - 8:15pm Musical Theatre Dance (Ages 13+)

(Note: Class on 10/7 will be held @ Green Acres) Click <u>HERE</u> to Register



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@ Sherwood

Claytor Company

Click <u>HERE</u> to read Luella Chirstpher's review of Claytor Company's premiere at OUT OF THE BOX/ INTO THE WORLD.



Photographed by: Aminta Taylor

11th Anniversary Season Save the Dates!

9/5 Closed for Labor Day 9/6 Classes Start *9/17 National Dance Day *10/8 Fall Festival 10/10 Closed for Indigenous Peoples Day 10/31 Student Holiday - Halloween 11/11 Closed for Veterans Day 11/23 - 11/27 Thanksgiving Break *12/10 & 12/11 Winter Showcase 12/15 C4 Holiday Party 12/16/22 - 1/2/23 Winter Break 1/16 Closed for MLK Day 2/20 Closed for President's Day 4/2 - 4/8 Spring Break *MAY 2023 SPRING RECITAL *5/27 or 5/28 Viva Vienna 5/29 Closed for Memorial Day 6/19 Closed for Juneteenth 7/4 Closed for 4th of July *City of Fairfax: 4th of July Parade *JULY 2023 C4 Multicultural Festival 7/17 - 8/19 Summer Camps 8/20-9/4 Summer Break *We are so proud to be offering our

We are so proud to be offering our C4 Family so many performance opportunities this season! Be on the look out for extra rehearsal times and finalized dates! We are looking at the middle of July for the Multicultural Festival.

Interested in private lessons?

Contact us now to plan and schedule lessons in...

- Ballet
- Modern
- Jazz
- Tap
- Hip Hop
- Latin Dance - Partner Dance
- Wedding Dance
- West African
- Drumming - Bass Guitar - Trumpet
- Visual Art

- Acting

- Singing

- Spoken Word
- Audition Prep
- and MORE!



ior Company and Alumni at the 2018 Spring Recital Photographed by: Joe Leary