



# Future Stages Festival 2019 Performance Group Biographies- Muriel Kauffman Theatre



## KC Homeschool Dance

*Performing "If" at 11:00AM*



KC Homeschool Dance, founded by sisters Amber EuDaly-Eames and Rachael EuDaly-Gravitt in 1996, has provided a unique dance opportunity for thousands of alternatively schooled youth for the past two decades. KC Homeschool Dance was featured in Dance Teacher Magazine in 2011 and is the longest established program of its kind nationwide. Students train in ballet, pointe, modern, tap, improvisation and lyrical dance. The "Teacher's Assistant" program offers the opportunity for young leaders to learn how to teach the syllabus and act as substitute

teachers when required. KC Homeschool Dance alumni have been accepted into numerous college dance and pre-professional programs and have gone on to dance professionally in many different companies around the U.S. and abroad. KC Homeschool Dance's conviction is that dance is fulfilling its highest calling when its purpose is centered around the story it is telling.



## **Ballet Folklorico de Topeka**

*Performing **State of Tamaullipas** at 11:30AM*



The Ballet Folklorico de Topeka is a program under Justicia, Inc. since 1976. Their mission is in the arts, education and community endeavors, to increase the education and understanding of Mestizo, Native American and Hispanic folk arts. Presentations feature both traditional and contemporary styled dances and choreography.

## **KCYA Community School of the Arts Dancers**

*Performing **That 70's Dance** at 12:00PM*

Kansas City Young Audiences (KCYA) believes that every child deserves the transformational spark the arts ignite! Their mission is to engage all youth in the arts, promote creativity, and inspire success in education. KCYA knows that participation in the arts helps students discover new ways of viewing the world and expressing themselves.





## Kansas City Dance Company

*Performing **Dance for Life** at 12:30PM*

The Kansas City Dance Company, under the direction of Jennifer Balagna, is located in Lees Summit Missouri. Their main objective is to spread enthusiasm and passion for the performing arts to children and families. With over 100 years of teaching experience combined and many working dancers and singers in the entertainment industry, KCDC teachers pride themselves on dance education in



all disciplines of the performing arts including tap, jazz, ballet, pointe, musical theatre, acrobatics, tumbling, hip-hop, contemporary, lyrical, cheerleading and vocal lessons.

## AileyCamp The Group

*Performing **Undefeated** and **Fight** at 1:00PM*

AileyCamp the Group was established in 1995 to give AileyCamp Graduates an opportunity to continue their dance training year-round. With classes in Modern, Ballet, Jazz, and Hip-Hop, students refine their dance performance skills in addition to discovering other fine and performing arts organizations through field trips.



Students are divided into beginner, intermediate and advanced levels and meet two to four times each week for technique classes September through May. Classes are held at the David T. Beals, III Studio at 18th & Vine, 1714 East 18th Street, Kansas City, MO 64108. Classes are free with a waivable \$35 registration fee. and open enrollment is September and October each year.



## Lily Zhang Li Taylor Dance Academy

*Performing at 1:30PM*



Lily Zhang Li Taylor is a professional dancer from China who has won awards in China for dancing. She won the National First Place for Dance Drama, which is like a Tony Award here. She has been teaching dance since 2005 in the Kansas City area and the students have been well received by audiences at each performance. They perform many different styles of dance traditional and some folk dances from areas within and around China.

## Miller Marley School Show Biz Performers

*Performing Fireflies, The Clapping Song, Big Bad Wolf Mix, and Feed the Birds at 2:00PM*

The Miller Marley School of Dance and Voice proudly presents the Show Biz Performers. This group is one of Miller Marley's four musical theatre performance companies consisting of twenty-eight young girls and boys in Grades 3rd through 11th. Their goal is to entertain as they strive to enrich their audiences with the "joy of song and dance." Miller Marley would like to thank the Kauffman Center and Future



Stages for this wonderful performance opportunity . . . and now presenting the Show Biz Performers in their "Musical Theatre Revue".



## Crescendo in Motion

*Performing **The Artist: Inspired** and **Notte Stella** – A Ballet Tribute to Yuzuru Hanyu at 2:30PM*



Crescendo in Motion is the performance company of Crescendo Conservatory. The company provides opportunities for young artists to collaborate and thrive through professional mentoring and coaching in various performing arts disciplines. This talented company performs works set by current and former professionals.

## Ice Studios School of Dance

*Performing **G.L.O.W.** at 3:00PM*

ICE STUDIOS SCHOOL OF DANCE mission is to teach performing arts to youth and build healthy lifestyles in a Faith-Based environment. The vision at ICE STUDIOS SCHOOL OF DANCE is to provide a creative space using dance, theatre and physical fitness with inspired themes, music, and curriculum. They strive to condition the bodies and minds of young people to live a healthy and balanced lifestyle.

ICE STUDIOS was formed by Isha C. Williams as an after-school exercise class. After a combination of activities, consults and parent focus groups on inner-city children physical education needs, ICE STUDIOS School of Dance was founded in 2008.

