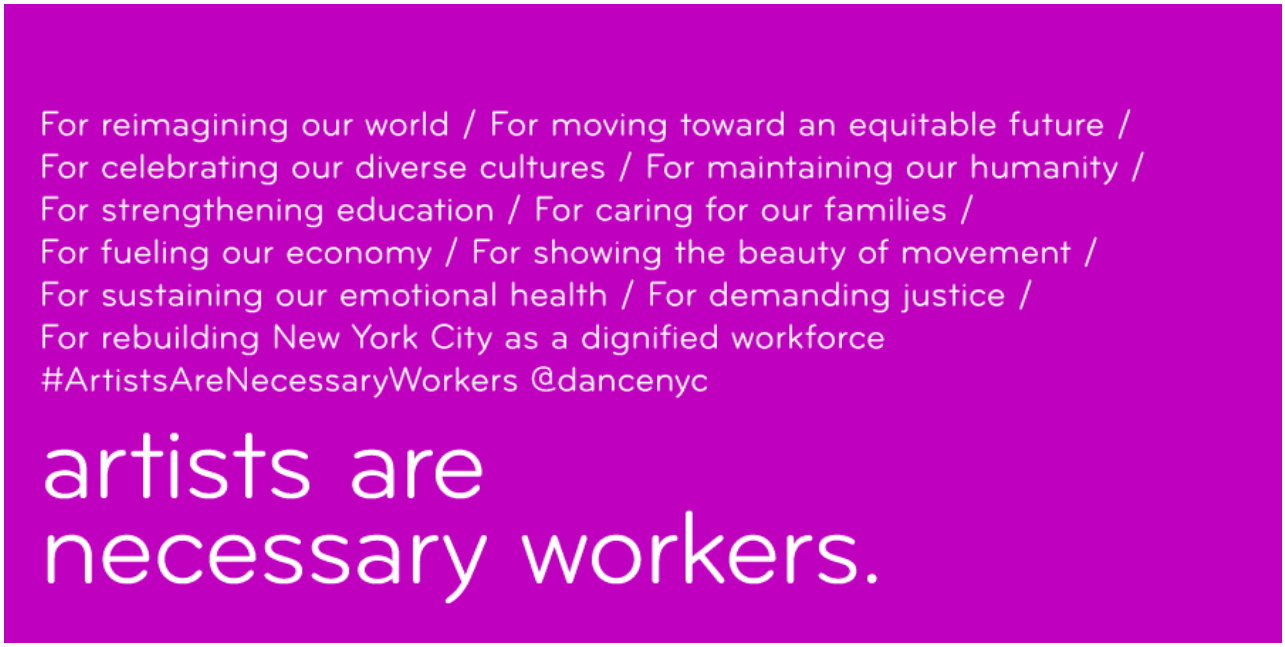
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Facebook Live Conversation Series

The series has ended. Thank you for tuning in!

Enjoy this recap video of the 12 conversations!

After 12 weeks, Dance/NYC closes the #ArtistsAreNecessaryWorkers Facebook Live Conversation Series. This has been one strand of the public campaign towards demanding the acknowledgement, representation and integration of dance and arts workers into the city's future post-pandemic.

Beginning on May 21st, these conversations highlighted the importance of the arts ecology, pointed to current challenges and offered considerations on our way forward as a field. Dance/NYC hosted 12 such events with 50 speakers across various roles: dancers, performers, choreographers, agents, curators, arts educators, administrators, city officials, technologists and many more. With an audience of over 1K unique live attendees, the topics covered disability justice, studio practice, digital futures and the future of touring, performance venues and festivals. The final conversation: Dance As Dignified Labor, further emphasized Dance/NYC's commitment to advocating for dance worker rights and wellbeing.

The "dream team" - Dance/NYC's staff, board and advisors - thank you for your continued support and engagement with the #ArtistsAreNecessaryWorkers campaign during a pivotal time for the dance workforce.

The #ArtistsAreNecessaryWorkers Campaign Is Not Over! Continue To Take Action By:

1) Signing on to the latest advocacy actions on Dance/NYC's news page.

2) Joining Dance/NYC's bi-weekly field-wide calls that address the field's questions, needs, and plans for the future.

3) Amplifying the 12 the #ArtistsAreNecessaryWorkers Conversations by sharing and re-experiencing the videos from ourFacebook page [not captioned] and growing list on our Youtube channel [captioned].

4) Sharing this conversation series as an insightful resource for you and your organization during this pivotal moment for the field. Revisit our captioned videos and visit each webpage for a list of shared resources.

Date	Conversations
Thursday, May 21, 2020	#ArtistsAreNecessaryWorkers: A Call to Action
Tuesday, May 26, 2020	Arts Educators Leading the Charge PLAYBACK

Date	Conversations
Friday, June 5, 2020	A Moment to Pause/Dystopia PLAYBACK
Tuesday, June 9, 2020	Studio Practice Redefined PLAYBACK
Tuesday, June 16, 2020	Disability Justice as the Vanguard of Recovery Thinking PLAYBACK
Tuesday, June 23, 2020	The Future of Performance Venues
Tuesday, June 30, 2020	Dance in Community PLAYBACK
Tuesday, July 7, 2020	Cultural Workers Behind the Veil
Tuesday, July 14, 2020	Touring in a Post-COVID World
Tuesday, July 21, 2020	A Digital Future for the Arts PLAYBACK
Tuesday, July 28, 2020	What's Next for Festivals?
Tues, August 4, 2020	Dance As Dignified Labor

Speakers

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Series Schedule

Launch: Thursday, May 21, 2020 from 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Full Series: Every Tuesday starting May 26, 2020 through August 4, 2020 from 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Registration: No registration was required. *All conversations broadcast live, free and open to the public.*

About: A series of transparent conversations with arts workers highlighting the importance of the arts ecology, pointing to current challenges and offering considerations on our way forward as a field. Most events were moderated by Alejandra Duque Cifuentes or Candace Thompson-Zachery, with the exception of a few guest moderators.

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