

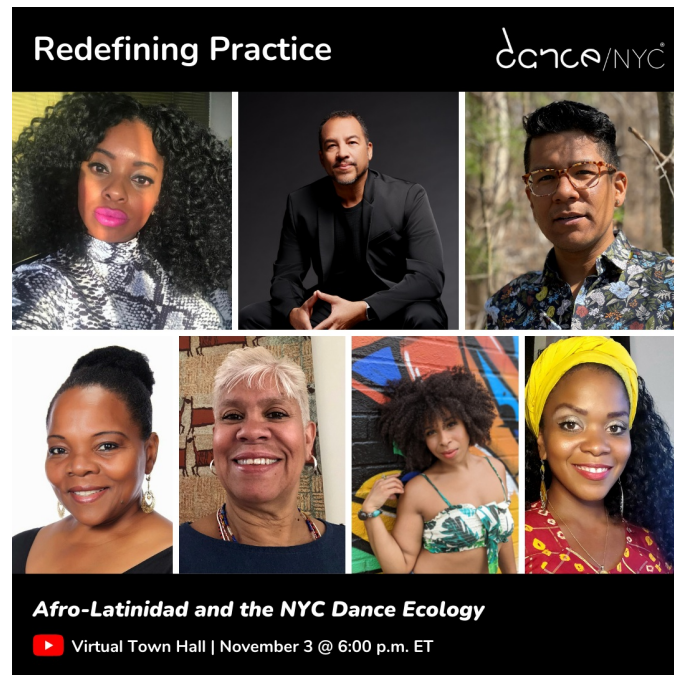
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Wednesday, November 3, 2021

Redefining Practice | Afro-Latinidad and the NYC Dance Ecology

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When: Wednesday, November 3, 2021 from 6 – 7:30 p.m. ET

Where: [YouTube Live](#)

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Redefining Practice | Afro-Latinidad and the NYC Dance Ecology

Dance/NYC, in partnership with Ballet Hispanico and the Caribbean Cultural Center African Diaspora Institute, is pleased to present Afro-Latinidad and the NYC Dance Ecology, part of the Redefining Practice series. This town hall highlights both the vibrancy and deep historical legacy of Afro-Latino/a/x/e identity and culture, while also acknowledging its invisibility and erasure in New York City dance. Led by scholars and dance practitioners, the event offers pathways for a redefined understanding of race and ethnicity, and challenges the categories and limitations often placed on the works and artistry of dance creatives who hold this multi-hyphenate identity.



About the Series

As the landscape for dance as professional practice, living ritual and technical production continues to evolve, [Redefining Practice](#) explores how artists and institutions are adapting, unlearning and innovating new ways of being in creation--and the many phases that creation takes--

to prioritise new learnings in racial justice, physical/emotional safety, and community care.

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Confirmed Speakers - Click speaker names to access their bios:



Dash Harris, Speaker, moderator, facilitator, multi-media producer, DEI consultant and AfroDiasporic story-teller
Co-Founder of AfroLatino Travel

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Eduardo Vilaro
Ballet Hispánico

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Dr. Luis F. Paredes, Educator, Author, Speaker, Coach, Consultant & Historian and Curator of Perú Negro

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Luz F. Soliz-Ramos, Founder, Artistic Director and Co-Choreographer for Wabafu Garifuna Dance Theater

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Melody Capote, Executive Director,
Caribbean Cultural Center African Diaspora Institute

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Shari Chevere, Movement Artist, Choreographer, and Cultural Educator

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Yasmar Cruz, Artist and Educator, Artistic Director of Danzartes

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Session Resources

- [About The International Decade for People of African Descent 2014-2024](#)
- [About Danzón](#) - The national dance of Cuba, which evolved from Danza.
- [About Abakúa/Nañigo](#) - An Afro-Cuban men's initiatory fraternity or secret society, which originated from fraternal associations in the Cross River region of southeastern Nigeria.
- [About Comparsa](#) - Comparsas are large ensembles of musicians, singers and dancers with a specific costume and choreography which perform in the street carnivals of Cuba
- [About Conga](#) - Music groups within Cuban comparsas and the music they play.
- [About the history of wet nurses in Peru](#) (in Spanish)
- [Mario Bauza](#) (April 28, 1911-July 11, 1993) was an Afro-Cuban jazz, Latin, and [jazz](#) musician.
- [Interview with Mario Bauza](#)
- [About Manteca](#) (musical composition) - Written by Chano Pozo, Dizzy Gillespie and Gil Fuller in 1947, it is considered foundational to Afro-Cuban jazz and was the first tune based on the rhythmic pattern of the clave ("key"), a five-stroke pattern which originated in Sub-Saharan African traditional music.
- [Chano Pozo](#) - Luciano "Chano" Pozo González (1915-1948) was a Cuban Conga player, composer and dancer.
- [The Batá drums](#) - Instrument and music tradition originating from the Yorùbá in Nigeria and practiced in Cuba and beyond.
- [Martha Gualarte](#) - Fermina Gualarte Bautista, known by her stage name of Martha Gualarte, was a dancer and vedette of the Uruguayan carnival.
- [Frankie Martinez](#) - Dancer, choreographer, educator, and founder of the Abakuá Afro-Latin Dance Company.
- [Tina Ramirez](#) - The Founder and Artistic Director of Ballet Hispánico from 1970-2009.
- [Susana Baca](#) - Susana Esther Baca de la Colina is a prominent Peruvian singer-songwriter, school teacher, folklorist, ethnomusicologist and three-time Latin Grammy Award winner.
- [Garifuna People](#) - An Afro-Indigenous ethnic group spanning across several countries in Central America.
- [Dugu Ceremony](#) - A sacred ancestral ceremony performed by the Garifuna.

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