

ARTISTS ARE NECESSARY WORKERS


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 For celebrating our diverse cultures / For maintaining our humanity /
 For strengthening education / For caring for our families /
 For fueling our economy / For showing the beauty of movement /
 For sustaining our emotional health / For demanding justice /
 For rebuilding New York City as a dignified workforce
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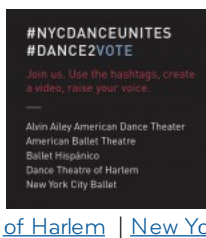
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Dance/NYC is happy to share community-led actions that activate the core message of the #artistsarenecessaryworkers campaign.

Listed here are events, actions, platforms and organizing that are independently led and initiated by the NYC dance community advocating for its self-identified needs. If you are engaging in a community action that activates the campaign message [please submit for review](#).



The Dance Studio Alliance is a New York City based coalition of dance studios and institutions that have come together with the clear goal of advocating for the greater needs of dance industry and community. HELP SAVE THE FUTURE OF DANCING IN NEW YORK CITY by Pavan Thimmaiah/Katerina Lu, is a petition in support of the safe reopening of dance studios and institutions. Join the NYC Dance Studio Alliance and sign the petition [here](#). For more information follow them on [IG](#).



#NYCDANCEUNITES: Five of New York City's acclaimed dance companies have joined together to create a new online initiative to urge the dance community to do their civic duty and vote: #NYCDANCEUNITES. Launched on October 2nd, the companies ask all presenting organizations, dancers and lovers of dance in NYC to elevate and participate by cross-posting, sharing, and engaging in discourse across all social media platforms through the November 3rd elections. Join the campaign! [Download the campaign graphics for social media here](#).

The companies: [Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater](#) | [American Ballet Theatre](#) | [Ballet Hispánico](#) | [Dance Theatre of Harlem](#) | [New York City Ballet](#)



[Dance Rising NYC](#): is an interconnected series of actions affirming the importance of professional dance in all of its forms, making dance visible in a re-opening landscape, and engaging with community stakeholders about partnership and possibility. Dance Rising is organized and produced by a group of NYC dance professionals and managers who believe we need a city-wide, large-scale event to focus attention on our field, now. Sign up + Dance: October 1 + 3: 5:00-5:30pm.



[Black Dance Stories](#): We are a community working together to support, uphold, highlight and celebrate Black Creatives. Black dance artists have been doing the work. Black dance artists continue to make work. To stay involved, we will hold weekly impromptu discussions and tell stories - "Black Dance Stories."



[The Dance Union](#): A place to share ideas. A place to voice concerns. A place to ask for change. A space of resistance. A space to unify. A podcast and resource for artists.



[Dance Artists' National Collective](#) (DANC) is a growing group of freelance dance artists organizing for action toward safe, equitable, and sustainable working conditions. Our current work includes the creation of a letter of agreement template and a negotiation toolkit for freelance dancers, covering wages, benefits, working conditions, and standards of equity. Join weekly meetings on Zoom, Mondays at 1pm ET.



[Creating New Futures](#): "Phase 1 Working Guidelines for Ethics & Equity in Presenting Dance & Performance" is a living document, ongoing conversation and outline of the needs and desires of arts workers in the dance and performance fields. It was drafted as a call to action. Phase 2 is now emerging and is formed by working groups that include: Black and Indigenous Survivors group, Disability+ group, Intersectional Riders group, and Contracts/Force Majeure group with potential groups in discussion like the Natureculture Watershed group. There will be a variety of virtual public convenings and new writing added to the public document late in fall 2020.



[Wise Fruit NYC](#): A seasonal live arts showcase and mixer dedicated to the feminine divine and raises funds for women-centered organizations. In between live installations, Wise Fruit functions as a social media campaign offering beginner anti-racist and equity tools.

SUBMIT YOUR COMMUNITY ACTION

Disclaimer:

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