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Friday, April 9, 2021

Arts and Cultural Workers for the New York Health Act

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When: Friday, April 9, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Where: Online

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About: The COVID-19 pandemic has exposed the fragility of the healthcare system and the lack of a safety net for most arts workers. The [New York Health Act](#), this state's version of Medicare for All driven by single-payer healthcare would measurably improve the lives of this group of workers more than nearly any other policy change. Many arts workers have gained a new interest in political organizing and activism and [Dance Artists' National Collective](#), in partnership with [Dance/NYC](#), [Abrons Arts Center](#), and [League of Independent Theater](#) is holding a town hall for arts and dance workers to learn more about the NYHA in conversation with supportive elected officials and health care activists in order to unite the field to take action in support of a fair and equitable health care system in New York state. If you are arts and cultural worker you can [share your healthcare story here](#). Follow the campaign with the hashtag: #PassNYHealth.

Speakers will be announced on a rolling basis.

Confirmed Speakers - Click speaker names to access their bios:



Campbell Charshee, Campblicated, the Bionic Rhapsodist
Member of Music Workers Alliance (MWA)

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Garnet Henderson, Choreographer, Journalist
Member Dance Artists National Collective (DANC)

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	Gustavo Rivera , New York State Senator, 33rd Senate District in the Bronx	more
	J. Bouey , Dance Artist, Founder of The Dance Union	more
	Jesse Jae Hoon , Playwright, Actor, and Organizer	more
	Mario I. Espinoza , Social Worker The Actor's Fund	more
	Phara Souffrant Forrest , Assembly Member (Member of NYS Assembly)	more
	Rebecca Margolick , Dancer, Choreographer Member Dance Artists National Collective (DANC)	more
	YuLing Koh Hsu , Co-Director, Campaign for New York Health	more

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You can continue to TAKE ACTION:

- To arts and cultural workers share your healthcare story at [Healthcare Story Form](#). Para los trabajadores de arte y cultura, comparte tu historia de salud en el [Formulario de historias de salud](#).
- Learn more: [The Campaign for New York Health](#)
- Contact your elected officials: [Tell Our Elected Officials to Pass the New York Health Act!](#)
- Use these toolkits and resources: [Printable Organizing Resources Resources](#)
- Volunteer for the Campaign for NY Health: <https://www.nyhcampaign.org/volunteer>
- Date for [Campaign for NY Health Arts Workers Healthcare Storytelling workshop](#): April 21 from 6pm-7pm

Other RESOURCES shared during the event:

- [WorkersArtsProject.org](#)
- The [Artist Health Insurance Resource Center](#) at The Actors Fund
- [The Dance Union](#)
- Article: [Living with Disease in the US is Hell](#)
- Campbllicated: [The Bionic Rhapsodist](#)
- AEA for Single Payer: [aeaforsinglepayer.org](#)
- NYC DSA Healthcare Working Group [week of action to #PassNYHealth](#)
- [Dancers for the New York Health Act](#)
- [Senate Bill S5474](#) for the establishment of the New York Health plan
- [Assembly Bill A6058](#) for the establishment of the New York Health plan



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