

Dance Lab and Community Dance Showcase Set to Inspire Creativity and Inclusivity

Evalyn Washington Humphrey Foundation for Arts and Education (E Foundation) is proud to announce the upcoming Dance Lab and Community Dance Showcase, dynamic arts events aimed at celebrating the diversity and talent within our community.

Scheduled to take place at the Academy for Academics and Arts on June 24-28 the Dance Lab will offer participants in grades 6-9 an immersive experience in various dance styles, including hip-hop, West African dance, and more. Led by experienced instructors, participants will have the opportunity to explore their creativity, develop their skills, and forge meaningful connections with fellow dancers.

The culmination of the Dance Lab will be the Community Dance Showcase, where participants will take to the stage to share their newfound talents with friends, family, and the community at large. In addition to the performances by Dance



Lab participants, the Community Dance Showcase will also feature special performances by local community dance groups. These groups will showcase a diverse range of dance styles, including Chicago Steppin', Irish Folk, Scottish Folk, Flamenco, Bollywood, and more. This vibrant showcase promises to be an inspiring celebra-

tion of dance and unity, featuring performances that reflect the rich cultural tapestry of our region.

"We are thrilled to present the Dance Lab and Community Dance Showcase as a platform for dancers to express themselves, connect with others, and bring our community together," said Kerri-Noelle, Founding

Executive and Artistic Director of E Foundation. "This event embodies our commitment to fostering creativity, inclusivity, and community engagement through the arts. Both the Dance Lab and the Community Dance Showcase are free events, and tickets are available at no cost to attendees. We believe that access to the arts should

be inclusive and barrier-free, and we are proud to offer these events to the community free of charge. Our goal is to broaden the experience and production of live dance performances in Huntsville."

The Dance Lab and Community Dance Showcase are made possible thanks to the generous support of the National

Endowment for the Arts, the Alabama State Council on the Arts, Support the Arts Tag fund, Arts IDEA Grant from Arts Huntsville funded by the City of Huntsville, and Representative Laura Hall and the Madison County Legislative Community Service grants. E Foundation extends its gratitude to these partners for their invaluable contributions to the success of the event.

The E Foundation was founded in 2021, by Kerri-Noelle Humphrey. Our mission is to foster creativity, inspire learning, and cultivate a vibrant community through the transformative power of arts and education. We are committed to providing opportunities that empower individuals of all ages and backgrounds to explore, express, and excel.

For more information about the Dance Lab and Community Dance Showcase, including registration details and sponsorship opportunities, please visit facebook.com/dancelabhs or Dance Lab website.

Daughter of Zion Ministries Celebrating 5th Anniversary, Commended by Governor

Daughter of Zion Ministries, Inc. (DZM) celebrated its 5th anniversary on Saturday, May 25, at the Connect Center in Huntsville, Alabama.

DZM received an official Commendation from Governor Kay Ivey in recognition of its outreach initiatives. Additional Proclamations were received from U.S. Congressman Dale Strong, Alabama State House



Representatives Anthony Daniels and Laura Hall, Mayor Tommy Battle, Commissioner Violet Edwards, and Brigadier General (retired) Phil Jolly.

Mayor Tommy Battle officially declared May 25,



2024, as Daughter of Zion Ministries Day.

DZM was founded to enrich, empower, and serve God's people through preaching the Gospel and other outreach activities.

For additional information on the ministry, contact the Founder and President, Dr. Toni Savage, at info@dzministries.com or phone number (256) 797-3017.

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Mrs. Bettye Dixie

"It is easier to build strong children than to repair broken men." - Frederick Douglass

The Legacy Center Ready for 5th Annual Kickball Tournament Saturday

The Legacy Center will hold its 5th Annual Charity Kickball Tournament & Block Party on Saturday, June 8, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. at Calvary Hill Park, 2800 Poplar Avenue NW, Huntsville, Ala.

The event will feature 24 kickball teams, music, face-painting, various forms of entertainment, Carlton dance

contest, games for all ages, a job fair and much more.

Booth setup begins at 9 a.m., followed by a team captain meeting at 9:30 a.m. Game time starts at 10 a.m. sharp, and all teams will go to assigned fields, where they will compete in 25-minute games.

Single eliminations start at 12:30



Scene from previous kickball event with Morgan Saintjones, Rep. Laura Hall and Legacy Center founder Chanda Crutcher.

p.m. and the championship game will be held at 3 p.m.

For additional

information, visit LiveYourLegacy-Here.com.

Armed Forces Celebration

A wide variety of activities will be held to honor the military June 8-15.

Saturday, June 8
Armed Forces Night, Wicks Field, 7 p.m.

Monday, June 10
Proclamation Signing Vets Memorial, 8 a.m.

Tuesday, June 11
Armed Forces Celebration Luncheon VBC Saturn Ballroom, 12-1:15 p.m.

Wednesday, June 12
Softball Game (Team Redstone), Toyota Field, 6-7:30 p.m.

Thursday, June 13
Rocket to the Tropics, Saturn V Hall at U.S. Space & Rocket Center's Davidson Center, 5-7 p.m.

Friday, June 14
Armed Forces Prayer Breakfast

The Summit on Redstone Arsenal, 7:30 a.m.

U.S. Army Birthday Celebration Dinner Presented by AUSA VBC-East Hall, 5 p.m.

Saturday, June 15
249th U.S. Army Birthday Celebration Redstone Gate 9, 4-9 p.m.



The Tuskegee Chapel

First Alum Named President of Tuskegee

Tuskegee University has announced Dr. Mark Brown, Class of 1986, as its 10th president. The retired Air Force Major General formerly served as chief operating officer for the U.S. Department



of Education Office of Federal Student Aid, which had a

leading portfolio of \$1.7 trillion. He was responsible for all of the nation's Title IV funding. He also headed billionaire Robert F. Smith's Student Freedom Initiative. He will begin his tenure July 1.

PACKED HOUSE FOR D1 TOWN HALL:

Food City and other commercial and residential projects were key topics at Councilman Devyn Keith's D1 Town Hall on May 14 at Johnson Legacy Center. It was standing-room only as residents asked thoughtful questions and shared concerns about everything from infrastructure to affordable housing. NEXT: Tuesday, July 16, Lakeside UMC at 5:30 p.m.



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