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Kansas City Friends of Alvin Ailey Announces the Final Performance of the 34th Annual AileyCamp for Youth in Kansas City

Kansas City, Missouri - AileyCamp 2022, hosted by Kansas City Friends of Alvin Ailey (KCFAA), is a free six-week summer day camp for middle school students. There are two local camps - one in Kansas City, Missouri and another in Kansas City, Kansas. The award-winning camp uses the power of dance to equip youth with critical life skills. Learnings include not only dance techniques, styles, and history, but also creative writing, fine arts, music, self-discipline, self-esteem, financial literacy, and leadership skills. The AileyCamp experience is rounded out with social activities, helping students form lifelong memories and bonds.

Each Kansas and Missouri AileyCamp student's tuition is covered by a full scholarship, which includes uniforms, meals, and transportation. The scholarships are funded by our generous private foundation, government corporate, and individual supporters.

Created by KCFAA in 1989, cities across the country modeled this innovative approach to youth development, making AileyCamp a national program. The Kansas and Missouri camps are serving 90 campers and their families this summer.

"AileyCampers are taught by accomplished professionals in their respective fields. The growth you see in students over just one summer is incredibly gratifying", says Tyrone Aiken, KCFAA Chief Artistic Officer and Director of AileyCamp Missouri.

As this year's camp enters its second half, the students and staff are gearing up for the Final Performance, the culminating presentation of their summer training.

- The AileyCamp Kansas Final Performance is **July 12th at 12:00 pm at Carl Bruce Middle School, 2100 N. 18th St Kansas City, KS 66104.**
- The AileyCamp Missouri Final Performance is **July 13th at 12:00 pm at Paseo Academy of the Fine and Performing Arts, 4747 Flora KCMO 64110.**

"Faith", the theme of this year's camp, will be illustrated on stage through dance, sound installations, and creative writing pieces. The events are free and the public is invited to attend.

To learn more about AileyCamp, visit: kcfaa.org/aileycamp2022/.

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Price: Free

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Paseo Academy of the Fine and Performing Arts
4747 Flora Ave Kansas City, MO 64110
Price: Free

About Kansas City Friends of Alvin Ailey

The mission of Kansas City Friends of Alvin Ailey (KCFAA) is making dance accessible to all people by presenting the Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater and Ailey II, teaching young people critical life skills through dance, and modeling interracial and multi-cultural community partnerships. For more information, visit kcfaa.org.