

Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater's Linda Celeste Sims.

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50 Great Years of Cultural Expression

Alvin Ailey dancers inspire, enlighten

Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater, recognized by U.S. Congress as a vital American? Cultural Ambassador to the World, will inspire, enlighten and entertain when the New York company continues its world tour with a stop in Portland.

Led by the renowned Judith Jamison in her final year as artistic director, and joined by artistic director designate Robert Battle, the tour will celebrate five decades of Revelations, an American classic called a must-see for all people.

A short film will be shown prior to the performances, giving audiences the opportunity to learn about the inspiration, meaning and significance of this modern dance masterpiece that is a tribute to Alvin Ailey's genius and the African American heritage.

"We are thrilled to share this exciting time in Ailey's history," said Jamison. ?We're on a journey that began 52 years ago because of Alvin Ailey's groundbreaking vision. His Revelations is a profound manifestation of how dance can celebrate the human spirit and impact our hearts and minds."

Performances are scheduled at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 15 and Wednesday, March 16 at the Arlene Schnitzer Concert Hall. Tickets are available at the Portland Center for the Performing Arts box office and from Ticketmaster Outlets.











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