



Creative Dance and Movement for Youth

Multiple programs available for all backgrounds

Steps for the Youth Education and Community Engagement Our mission is to educate, inspire and enrich lives through dance. We strive to engage with our community by; partnering with local schools, encouraging creativity in a safe environment and providing opportunities and resources for youth of all backgrounds. Steps for Youth's (SFY) leadership team consists of Women of Color who know firsthand how meaningful it is for students to see themselves reflected in their teachers and leaders. SFY values the importance of representation and we employ a roster of teaching artists and staff who are racially diverse and who reflect the community we serve. After and In-School Program Steps for Youth offers local schools



Steps Dance Instructor and students

and organizations a diverse array of dance classes. Styles include, creative movement, ballet, jazz, hip-hop, and contemporary. These classes take place in the school and typically last 8 - 10 weeks. Students learn dance concepts, technique and choreography. Steps for Youth provide a teaching artist and music.

The program closes with an informal performance for family,

friends, teachers and community members showcasing the techniques and concepts learned over the semester. All abilities, skill levels, and dance backgrounds are welcome. Dance Scholarships Steps for Youth offers scholarships to students who demonstrate natural abilities and have the passion to pursue dance professionally. Students attend up to 13+ classes a week; participate

in performances, workshops and summer intensives.

DanceAbility Program DanceAbility is the study of movement improvisation for all people; people with and without disabilities, for mixed abilities and mixed experiences. With a focus on sensation, the way your body feels when it moves rather than technique, this class is truly accessible for everybody. Advanced dancers

can research new ways to experience their bodies in movement while brand new dancers can get to know how their bodies move, maybe for the first time. Our main focus is on creating a dance culture that is inclusive and builds community. Whether you have never danced before or you are an advanced dancer, you will benefit and have fun!

BIPOC Youth Dance Program This program is offered to students who identify as Black, Indigenous, and People of Color. Steps for Youth programs provide an inviting space for children to be encouraged by their teachers, engage with their peers, and foster collaboration. Whether children are inspired to participate recreationally or driven to follow a professional path, Steps for Youth strives to uplift students and create a more accessible art form. Community Dance Events We offer donation based community dance events for youth throughout the year. The day is filled with movement based classes and healthy snacks and water are provided. Events include, Youth Day of Dance, Full Circle and more.

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