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Atlas Performing Arts Center Unveils a Captivating 2024-2025 Fall Season:

A Blend of Theater, Ballet, Jazz, and More!

The historic Atlas Performing Arts Center located in the H Street, NE Corridor in Washington, DC is thrilled to announce the line-up for the 2024-2025 fall season. Atlas will present dozens of performances including Akua Allrich, Christopher Prince, Black Leaves Dance Company,
Bohemian Caverns Jazz Orchestra, Furia Flamenca, Happy Theatre, City at Peace, Reverb, and the Gay Men's Chorus of Washington's Sing Out. ExPats Theatre returns to Atlas for its new season opening with *Marlene*, a play about Marlene Dietrich. In intimate backstage conversations, Marlene blisters many of her Hollywood contemporaries, reveals delicate memories of her countless affairs, and flirts with her assistant Vivian.

"At the Atlas, our Fall 2024 season will bring to our stages a calendar full of theatre, dance, and music for all to enjoy. In our community and our lives, the arts make a difference and impact us in so many powerful ways. We here at the Atlas create and present programs and events that we believe will resonate deeply with all who experience them. Visit us, take a seat, and enjoy the show! We are excited to share our world with you." Douglas Yeuell, Executive Director of Atlas Performing Arts Center.

Resident Arts Partners, **Mosaic Theater**, **Visionaries of the Creative Arts (VOCA)**, and **Capital City Symphony** will once again present their season on Atlas stages. Dissonance Dance Theatre (DDT) will join Atlas as a Resident Arts Partner. DDT, now in its 17th season, will present fulllength contemporary ballet works on the Lang stage under the direction of Shawn Short. DDT's

Fall season includes three productions, nine new works, and six choreographers of color. Ranging stylistically from contemporary ballet, percussive jazz, and modern dance, Dissonance Dance Theatre brings excitement, storytelling, and athleticism this fall. "We are excited about our new partnership with Atlas and look forward to extending our artistic reach within the District. Atlas's support of DDT allows us to grow tremendously with its box office, production, and marketing support. Atlas has been home to DDT for more than 16 years. We are glad to call it officially home" Shawn Short, Founding Director/Principal Choreographer.

Mosaic Theater, now in its 10th season has a robust line-up planned to include a musical about the iconic Billie Holiday, a world premiere in collaboration with Georgetown University, a DC premiere about the Flint, Michigan, water crisis, and a thought-provoking play about celebrity artist Andy Warhol.

Atlas will continue to offer programming for families with the Atlas premiere of two different shadow puppet performances from Happy Theatre, *The Light House* and *Alphabetisimo* (Winter version). These performances and the accompanying lobby activities are made possible with funding from the Capital Hill Community Foundation.

Applications for the annual **Atlas INTERSECTIONS** Festival will be available in late June. The **Atlas Arts Lab** fellowship, and the **City at Peace** program will be available later this summer/fall.

Tickets go on sale July 1, 2024!

Resident Arts Partner **Mosaic Theater** Resident Arts Partner **Capital City Symphony** Gay Men's Chorus of Washington **Sing Out Project Fusion ExPats Theatre** Atlas Presents **Akua Allrich** NEW Resident Arts Partner **Dissonance Dance Theatre** Atlas Presents **Cafe Flamenco and Navidad Flamenca** Resident Arts Partner **Visionaries of the Creative Arts (VOCA)** Atlas Presents **Happy Theatre Christopher Prince**

Atlas Presents Reverb Atlas Presents Bohemian Caverns Jazz Orchestra Black Leaves Dance Company Dance Institute of Washington New Music Theatre

and more!

The Atlas Performing Arts Center is a non-profit performing arts venue and cultural anchor of the H Street, Northeast community in Washington, DC. The Atlas fosters, produces, presents, and curates stellar art in film, dance, music, theater, vocal and choral work, spoken word, and beyond. The Atlas has four performance spaces, and we often host free events in our lobby. We produce Atlas Presents performances and rent our spaces to other artist groups to create their own productions. We support and partner with DC arts makers – our Resident Arts Partners – including Capital City Symphony, Mosaic Theater Company of DC, Visionaries of the Creative Arts (VOCA), Joy of Motion Dance Center, and Dissonance Dance Theatre. The Atlas also leads in its arts education initiatives through our City at Peace youth development program and the Atlas Arts Lab. In the winter each year, we produce our popular INTERSECTIONS Festival which hosts close to 400 artists and performing groups who entertain and engage thousands of patrons in a multi-week-long celebration of the arts.

Our mission is to bring people together through the arts to expand the reach and strengthen the bonds of our community. We provide shared space in a creative environment that inspires exceptional performances, events, and initiatives that enlighten, entertain, and reflect the best of the arts and our humanity. As the catalyst for neighborhood growth and change, the Atlas continues to play a major role in the regional creative economy and is where the arts, culture, and connection happen on H Street.

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