



OUR MISSION IS TO PROVIDE CHILDREN IN HISTORICALLY DISADVANTAGED COMMUNITIES WITH THE OPPORTUNITIES FOR ENJOYMENT, PROMOTION OF SELF-ESTEEM AND EMPOWERMENT THROUGH THE MEDIUM OF DANCE, AS WELL AS TRAINING PROFESSIONAL DANCERS AND DEVELOPING A UNIQUE, INDIGENOUS DANCE COMPANY

NEWS UPDATE 2021

EDITION ONE

During a time that called for new initiatives, partnerships and working together DFA joined a number of collaborations and opportunities to partner to keep our work and that of other partners, organisations and projects going.

DARKROOM CONTEMPORARY

One of DFA's partner organisation, invited our students to participate in their workshops, hosted at DFA by Darkroom Contemporary, through which they were able to join classes and the rehearsal process of what Darkroom Contemporary prepared for their productions.

Our students also received constructive online lectures by Darkroom Contemporary, in line with taking the students more in the direction of arts administration, social media, building personal profiles & bios etc.

Five of the full time students were also invited to the Northern Cape by Darkroom Contemporary to partake in a film project.

KykNet Fiesta Awards - our students were also part of a collaboration of students from Jazzart Dance Theatre, Waterfront Theatre School & LAMTA, for this year's televised KykNet Fiesta Awards.

Cape Junior Ballet (CJB) - our students were invited to perform as part of the Cape Junior Ballet's production Beyond Limits, which took place at the Masque Theatre which included works by Yaseen Manuel, Bruno Wani, Anderson Carvalho & Robin van Wyk.

The students also perform in the ballet production Coppelia which took place at Artscape in April staged by Robin van Wyk as part of **Sizodanisa Productions**.



Suidoosterfees - an opportunity came for DFA to feature at the Opera House in the Extravaganza show during this year's Suidoosterfees Programme. See the works of DFA teachers & choreographers.



DFA Choreographic Initiative

The opportunity for a new project arised and the DFA Choreographic Initiative was formed, providing young choreographers an opportunity to showcase their work. The project was well received with an in-house performance and also live streamed to allow more viewing for those who are not quite comfortable yet to venture out into public spaces. DFA will be working on building on this initiative in the near future, and invites all interested parties and youngsters with great choreographic potential to contact DFA to become part of the project.



Guest Teachers

DFA was privileged and very grateful to have the opportunity to work with **Anderson Carvalho** once again as guest teacher & choreographer for the month of February and March to create a new work which was part of the Beyond Limits production at the Masque Theatre.

Anderson Carvalho is a Brazilian / Dutch performance artist, dancer and choreographer born and raised in Fortaleza, Brazil and currently living in the Netherlands and has freelanced in dance projects in South Africa and the Netherlands. For more info: www.andersoncarvalho.info Anderson Carvalho Dance & Choreography.

Roxanne de Freitas offered some of her time with the full time students. She is a multimodal artist, theatre-maker, choreographer and cultural worker based in Cape Town, specialises in Theatre Making and currently works as a mentorship facilitator.

Two former students **Kananelo Precious Ngaleka**, currently working with & **Luyanda Dutyulwa**, both of whom are based in Johannesburg took some time to teaching our Bridging Programme students whilst in Cape Town



Bridging Programme - 10 years

We're celebrating 10 years of DFA's full time Bridging Programme, since it was initiated in 2011 by Philip Boyd, and headed by Allison Hendricks & the late Christopher Kindo.

We are working more than ever to keep this programme, which has opened doors and provided opportunities to close to 30 students over the years, going and growing.

The current Bridging Programme programme still has places for 3 female students and two males.

For Auditions 2021- Contact admin@danceforall.co.za. Video submission may also be INBOXED to our Facebook page.



DFA Centre & DFA Outreach Programmes

The year 2020 had a great impact on dance classes presented at schools, both in Cape Town and rural areas. To enable work to continue as best possible students were brought into the DFA Centre where required and classes continues at the schools when and where allowed, and of course within the rules and regulations of the Covid-19 pandemic

DFA continues to work and hope for the best while we find new ways of doing what we best, and that is to change lives of young people and provide hope where in many instances it has been lost

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