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# AN EVENING TO **SHINE**

February 20, 2024

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7 pm - DPAC

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It is my distinct pleasure to welcome you to An Evening to Shine. Durham Public Schools is proud to partner with the DPS Foundation to present this extraordinary night of arts and entertainment. We are thrilled to showcase the talents of students from across the district and we know you will be delighted by their artistry tonight. Our students have diligently honed their skills with the support of our dedicated teachers and staff since December. This evening you'll witness firsthand why Arts Education is one of the shining stars of DPS, and there is no bigger stage in Durham for our students to shine than the Durham Performing Arts Center (DPAC). Special thanks to DPAC for graciously hosting this evening's event.

At DPS, the arts have always played an essential role in our district, and our arts educators and staff consistently seize every chance to illuminate the brilliance of our students. I would like to express my appreciation to Mr. Les Turner, our Director of Arts Education, for his leadership in curating this one-of-a-kind experience. I would also like to thank the DPS Foundation for helping us cast such a radiant spotlight on our students. Now, I invite you to sit back, relax, and see what makes the arts in DPS truly unique.

With appreciation,

*Catty Moore*

**Interim Superintendent**

Welcome to our presentation of An Evening to Shine! My greatest thanks to the production team, visiting artists, teachers and support staff that have made this opportunity possible for more than 400 DPS students. DPS Arts Education nurtures an environment where students can express themselves in a safe and positive way. Celebrating our ability to come together as educators and students is vital to creating a healthy and inclusive school community. The arts, through a rich partnership among our arts educators, teaching artists, and community arts providers, play a valuable role in helping all DPS students and their families build and sustain community and cultural connections. Tonight you will witness how the arts can ignite limitless potential.

Our teachers, students, and staff have been working together for months to prepare for tonight. DPS is a model for equity in access to arts education and articulates the role of the arts as a pathway to success for all DPS students. Thank you to Katy Culberson for her many hours of support to our DPS teachers and students. On behalf of our educators, parents, community, and children, thank you for prioritizing access to arts for all DPS students.

Now sit back and enjoy our gift to the Durham community!

*Les Turner*

**Director of Arts Education**





Dear Durham Community,

On behalf of the Durham Public Schools Foundation (DPSF) and Durham Public Schools, thank you for joining us for this year's Evening to Shine. Tonight, we celebrate our amazing and talented students and the fantastic teachers and staff that support our students!

DPSF is a non-profit organization established in 2018 to catalyze big ideas & foster community engagement that will accelerate transformation of Durham Public Schools to ensure success and equity for every student. A key pillar of the DPSF's work is to provide resources for success and equity through the DPSF Scholarship Fund.

The DPSF Scholarship Fund awards 25 scholarships to high school seniors across DPS each year. In addition to endowed scholarships, DPSF awards the Durham Promise Scholarship to at least one high school senior at every DPS high school. Last year, DPSF awarded \$65,000 in college scholarships to 27 graduating DPS students through the Durham Promise Scholarship and Endowed Scholarships. Your presence here tonight will allow us to support more students in reaching their post-secondary goals.

We invite you to sit back and prepare to be entertained and amazed by students from schools across the district. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to all of you for joining us tonight and for your generous support.

In community,

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "Erika Wilkins".

**Erika Wilkins**  
**Executive Director, DPS Foundation**  
**Durham Public Schools Alum**



## **Prelude**

Alex Vysotsky, DSA student, Piano  
Jaden Jampayas, DSA Student, Piano  
Eli Beyer, DSA Student, Piano & String Bass  
Oliver Spiller, DSA Student, Drums

## **Musical Numbers**

**Dreamers ...** Arr. Jack Zaino

**Time Warp...** Arr. by Mac Huff

**You Are The Reason...** Calum Scott

**A Million Dreams...** Mac Huff

**Happy...** Arr. Mark Brymer

**Footloose...** Arr. Kirby Sha

**You Will Be Found...** Arr. Mac Huff

**Finally...** Jorja Smith

**We're All in This Together...** Mac Huff

**I Am Light...** Arr. Mark Hayes & Kimberly Lilley

**Set it Off...** Arr. Mark Brymer

**Newsies...** Arr. Emerson

## **The Band**

Matt Laird, Bass  
Sandy Colclough, Piano  
Ken Davis, Trombone  
Emily Draughon, Drums  
Adrian Duke, Keyboards

Drew Lile, Guitar  
Jay Meachum, Trumpet  
Mike Mole, Trumpet  
Erik Riggs, Saxophone

## Durham Public Schools **iART!** Durham's Finest

Over the last 44 years, the North Carolina Central University Art Museum and Durham Public Schools have partnered together to host the Durham's Finest Art Exhibition. This event showcases artwork from our elementary, middle, and traditional high schools. This year's exhibit took place January 14 - February 2 at the NCCU Art Museum. We are proud to celebrate the accomplishments of our visual artists and arts educators at An Evening to Shine by showcasing one piece from each school in tonight's program as well as on the monitors in the lobby.



**Yaritzel Ramirez Rangel, 10th Grade**  
**The Lollipop**  
Northern High School  
Myra Stotesbury, Art Teacher

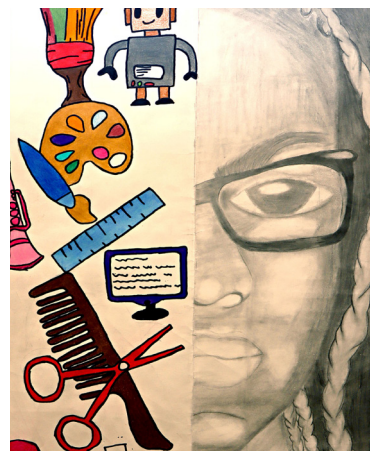


**Fiorela Vargas Perez, 12th Grade**  
**Fantasy Hybrid Creature**  
Hillside High School  
Marla Hawkins, Art Teacher



**Stella Ericksen, 12th Grade**  
**Butterflies**  
Riverside High School  
Emily Matheson, Art Teacher

**Arriana Styles, 9th Grade**  
**Identity Self Portrait**  
Southern School of Energy and Sustainability  
Algenon Conyers, Art Teacher

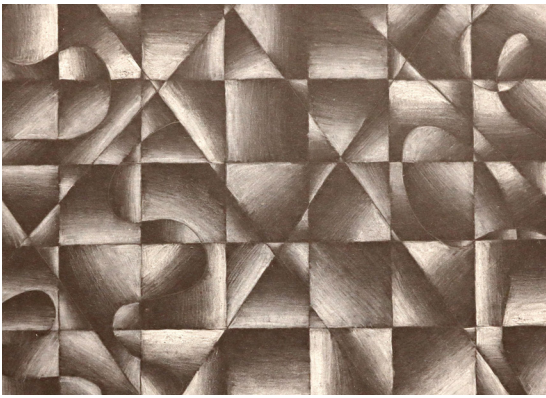


**Vanessa Armstrong, 10th Grade**  
**Koi Fish 1**  
C.E. Jordan High School  
Kelly Learned, Art Teacher

**Taylor Stiles, 12th Grade**  
**And the Church Says**  
Durham School of the Arts  
Jack Watson, Art Teacher







**Alissa Gibbs, 7th Grade**  
**Negative Shading**  
 Carrington Middle School  
 Michael Vasinko, Art Teacher



**Kayden Talley, 8th Grade**  
**Double Exposure-Dog Spirit**  
 Ignite Online Academy  
 Alyssa Hinton, Art Teacher



**Tamya Polle, 7th Grade**  
**Conversations with a Pig**  
 Shepard Middle School  
 Jose Cruz, Art Teacher



**Hattie True, 6th Grade**  
**Faces of Unfamiliar Places**  
 Githens Middle School  
 Lisa Turco, Art Teacher



**Logan Levy, 8th Grade**  
**Flower Girl**  
 Brogden Middle School  
 Calvin Urich, Art Teacher



**Gwen Daily, 6th Grade**  
**Optical Illusion**  
 Lakewood Montessori Middle School  
 Loretta Morgan, Art Teacher



**Adri Rodriguez Mogoyan, 7th Grade**  
**Deadly Music**  
 Little River K-8  
 Emily Nicholson, Art Teacher



**Brooke-Lynn Sawyer, 8th Grade**  
**Value Shoe**  
 Durham School of the Arts  
 Felicia Maye, Art Teacher



# Durham's Finest



**Derrick Henderson Jr, 8th Grade**  
**Greek Blossom**  
 Lowes Grove Middle School  
 Shawn Smith, Art Teacher



**Bernardo Borrromeo Perez, 8th Grade**  
**Modern Van Gogh**  
 Neal Middle School  
 Emily Slaughter, Art Teacher



**Lana Maki, 1st Grade**  
**Warm/Cool Color Weaving**  
 Pearisontown Elementary  
 Susie Crooks, Art Teacher



**Ada Wheeler, Kindergarten**  
**Flowers**  
 Morehead Montessori  
 Kerri Lockwood, Art Teacher



**Maximus Beridze, 3rd Grade**  
**Northern Lights**  
 Mangum Elementary  
 Claire Hudzinski, Art Teacher



**Reese Roundry, 4th Grade**  
**My First Basketball Game**  
 Easley Elementary  
 Sheila Galgano, Art Teacher



**Amellia Mwampambe, Pre-K**  
**Recycled Paper Weaving**  
 Burton Elementary  
 Tanneh El-Amin, Art Teacher





**3rd Grade Students**  
**Worry Dolls**  
 E.K. Powe Elementary  
 Elizabeth Gokay Duffy, Art Teacher



**Jacob Arrington, 1st Grade**  
**My Prehistoric Sabertooth**  
 R.N. Harris Elementary  
 Monica Unger, Art Teacher



**Samira Zamora Gonzalez, 5th Grade**  
**Clay Rabbits**  
 W.G. Pearson Elementary  
 Marcia Nice, Art Teacher



**Emma Lopez-Castillo, 4th Grade**  
**Self Portrait of the Artist**  
 Oak Grove Elementary  
 Christie Hollis, Art Teacher



**Rowan Swauger, 2nd Grade**  
**Aqua Elephant**  
 Club Boulevard Elementary  
 Alicia Butler, Art Teacher



**Lola Scott, 5th Grade**  
**Night Owl**  
 Creekside Elementary  
 Cynthia Woodburn, Art Teacher



**Mackenzie Hariston, 4th Grade**  
**Scary House on Road**  
 Holt Elementary  
 Calvin Green, Art Teacher



**Lennox Gray, 2nd Grade**  
**Fall Forest**  
 Spring Valley Elementary  
 Parminder K. Rajpal, Art Teacher



**Aima Chavez, 5th Grade**  
**Realistic Close-up View**  
 Hillandale Elementary  
 Shawntae Hill, Art Teacher



# Durham's Finest



**Logan Morris, 4th Grade**  
**Pop Shoes**  
 Southwest Elementary  
 Emilie Young, Art Teacher



**Adriana Bailey, 5th Grade**  
**Free From Abstract Lines**  
 Parkwood Elementary  
 Nancy Coyne, Art Teacher



**N'JShae Clark, 4th Grade**  
**Autumn Trees**  
 Eastway Elementary  
 Elvin Herrera, Art Teacher



**Daniella Campos, 5th Grade**  
**Self Portrait**  
 C.C. Spaulding Elementary  
 Rakai Whittaker, Art Teacher



**Semaj Smith, 2nd Grade**  
**Night Hills**  
 Fayetteville Street Elementary  
 Nancy Lambert, Art Teacher



**Kadence Salvth, 5th Grade**  
**Fall Tree Collage**  
 Little River K-8  
 Emily Nicolson, Art Teacher



**Lauren Brown, 5th Grade**  
**Winter Wishes**  
 Hope Valley Elementary  
 Hannah Williams, Art Teacher





**Kelyn Contreras Santos, 4th Grade**  
**Animal Habitats**  
 Lakewood Elementary  
 Rebecca Dow, Art Teacher



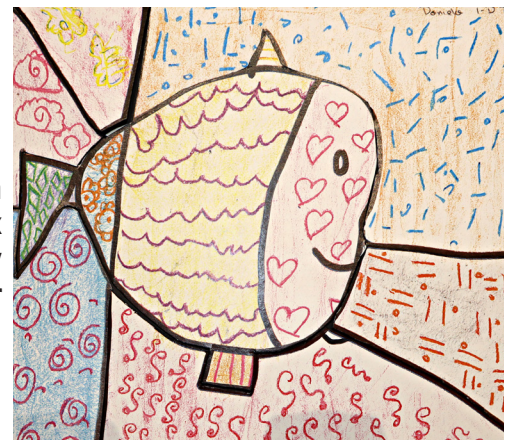
**Hadassah Resendiz-Sanchez, 1st Grade**  
**Artistic Sun and Moon**  
 Y.E. Smith Elementary  
 Ellen Tumavicus, Art Teacher



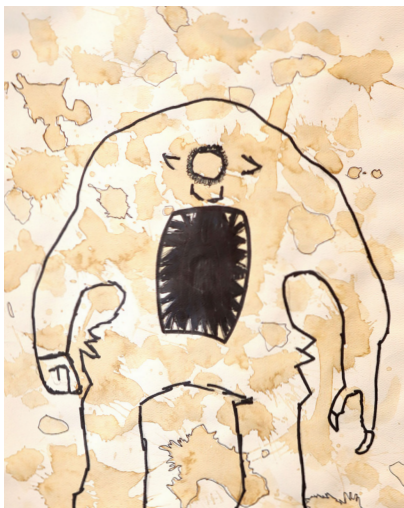
**Kylee Kimball, 5th Grade**  
**Dreamz**  
 Glenn Elementary  
 Sierra Miles, Art Teacher



**Daniela Rivera, Kindergarten**  
**Swimming In A Box**  
 Eno Valley Elementary  
 Marisol Pérez, Art Teacher



**4th Graders**  
**Wilderness Wednesday/Watermelons**  
 Merrick Moore Elementary  
 Hattie Pink, Art Teacher



**Bryan Pippitt, 4th Grade**  
**The Underworld Monster of Brazil**  
 Lyons Farm Elementary  
 Luize Melo Rodrigues, Art Teacher

**Anthony Santos Moreira, 2nd Grade**  
**Northern Lights**  
 Sandy Ridge Elementary  
 Megan Brennan, Art Teacher



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**Thank you for supporting DPSF's Durham Promise Fund in 2023**

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Shannon Shultz-Thomas  
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Jessica Sperling and Graham  
Smokoski  
Tausha Stephens  
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# DPS FOUNDATION

DPS Foundation is a community-led effort to accelerate the transformation of Durham Public Schools for success and equity for every student.

## WHAT WE DO:



### Provide Funds

We provide resources to support the immediate needs and the big dreams of schools, students, educators and families



### Foster Innovation

We partner with schools to pilot promising approaches to education and help scale what's working district-wide



### Champion Equity

We help to build leaders and shift power to historically marginalized students, educators and parents



### Connect Community

We convene partners, align efforts, and connect people and organizations to DPS

CONGRATULATIONS



We want to congratulate DPS students on your incredible performances tonight!

Evening to Shine supports college scholarships for DPS students.



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# DPS Foundation Endowed Scholarships

## 2023 Endowed Scholarships

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 Terry Summers and Jim Hall  
 Loretta and Michael Wile  
 Ross Williams  
 Carlton G. Miles  
 Della Brasher-Hedgepeth



## 2023 Scholarship Recipients



### Haider Albayati

Andrew Edward Crabtree Scholarship

### Ashley Flores Gonzalez

John T. Smith Scholarship

### Harmony Fairley

Durham Promise Scholarship

### Yadira Vargas Arriaga

Durham Promise Scholarship

### Syairah Mcknight

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### Axel Ruiz-Paz

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### Tatyanna Dawson

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### Mathias McCabe

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Hillside C/O '66 Scholarship

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First Generation Scholarship

### Deniya El-Amin

Durham Promise Scholarship

### Katelynn Carroll

Durham Promise Scholarship



**Las escuelas públicas son el corazón de nuestra comunidad. Cuando nuestros estudiantes prosperan, Durham prospera.**

Nosotros reunimos a la comunidad de Durham para asegurarnos que:



Todos los estudiantes están en ámbitos de aprendizaje que los motivan a **soñar** en lo que es posible para su futuro, les fomentan el **amor** por el conocimiento y les proveen las **destrezas** para prosperar en la vida.

Visite nuestro sitio web para obtener información sobre la **Asociación de Escuelas Comunitarias de la ciudad de Durham (Bull City)**, así como el **Movimiento Escolar de Salud Mental Integral** (WHOLE Schools por su nombre en inglés) que ayudará a las necesidades urgentes de salud mental en nuestras escuelas.



Los estudiantes, sus familias y los docentes tienen **los recursos, el apoyo y el poder** que necesitan para moldear su propia experiencia educativa.

Visite nuestro sitio web para obtener más información sobre **becas para las escuelas, becas universitarias, programas de liderazgo para jóvenes, maestros, directores/as y Organización de padres Latinos**.



La comunidad de Durham apoya y **celebra nuestras escuelas públicas**.

Visite nuestro sitio web para conocer más acerca de eventos de la comunidad como **Evening to Shine** y **DPSFest**, y conozca a nuestros **Líderes Corporativos para la Educación Pública**.

**Las posibilidades son maravillosas cuando la comunidad de Durham trabaja unida.**

**¡Únete a nosotros!**

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## Host

**Jatovi McDuffie** who is a native of Durham, NC, has been the on-field announcer at the Durham Bulls Athletic Park since 2004. He has also been an MC for the Bull Durham Blues Festival and the Fox 50 Family Fest; has performed stand-up at Goodnight's Comedy Club in downtown Raleigh, NC; and is a resident improv performer at ComedyWorx in downtown Raleigh, NC since 2000.



## High School Vocal Clinician



**Jill Boliek** holds M.M. and B.M. degrees in music education from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. Jill is in her twentieth year of teaching. The past 19 years having been at Riverside High School in Durham. She is the cultural arts department chair and graduation coordinator for her school as well as the district lead event coordinator for high school chorus. She is a member of NAFME, NCMEA and ACDA. Jill was the middle school vocal clinician for Durham Public Schools' An Evening of Entertainment in 2014 and 2016 as well as the middle school vocal clinician for the Moore County All-County Chorus in 2016. Each year her students participate in their district-level music performance adjudication and have consistently earned superior and excellent ratings in performance and sight-singing. Jill has taken students to choral competitions in Atlanta, New York City, Chicago, the Bahamas, Boston, San Francisco, Nashville and Washington, D.C. as well as concert tours in Germany, Austria, and the Czech Republic. In addition to teaching, Jill is the accompanist for Pleasant Grove United Methodist Church in Raleigh, NC. She lives in Durham, NC with her husband, Mark, their daughter, Joey, and their Scottish Terrier, Fergus.



# High School Choreographer

**Freddie-Lee Heath** brings a rich career as a dancer, teacher and choreographer for 40 years having nearly 150 productions to his credit. Heath holds a BS in Dance Education from East Carolina University along with a Master's in School Administration from North Carolina State University. He has many awards including National Dance Educator of the Year (twice), Raleigh Medal of Arts by the City of Raleigh, Order of the Long Leaf Pine by the state of NC, Wake County Public Schools Hall of Fame for Arts. His ongoing choreography projects include Durham Performing Arts Center (DPAC) Rising Star, Miss North Carolina Scholarship Pageant, Theatre In The Park's, "A Christmas Carol". Freddie-Lee is proud to be part of An Evening To Shine-enjoy the show!!



# Middle School Vocal Clinician



**Amy Brock Davis** is the lead teacher for Durham Public Schools' Middle School Chorus section and the Evening to Shine Middle School Clinician for 2023. Mrs. Davis is the co-director of Choral Activities at Durham School of the Arts and the conductor for the Mosaic Singers of the Raleigh Youth Choir. She was the conductor for the Girls Chorale of the Capital City Girls Choir at Meredith College from 2006-2021. A 1992 Meredith College graduate with a Bachelor of Arts in Music, she received her Master of Music in Choral Directing from Appalachian State University in 1995. Mrs. Davis is a National Board Certified Teacher specializing in early adolescence through young adulthood choral music. Her choirs have sung in Atlanta, West Virginia, New York, Florida, Munich, Vienna, Venice, Florence, Rome, and London. Mrs. Davis was the recipient of the 2017 Richard Keasler NC Middle School Choral Teacher of the Year award which was presented by the North Carolina Music Educators Association. She is the choral director and organist at Glendale Heights United Methodist Church. Mrs. Davis lives in Durham with her husband, Ken, and daughter, Emily.

## Middle School Choreographer

**Trey Fletcher** is a dynamic choreographer and seasoned dance performer whose passion for movement has spanned over 15 years. Trey's journey into the world of dance began as a sanctuary for his mental well-being, evolving into a remarkable career marked by dedication and artistic excellence. Since 2019, Trey has been teaching across the country.

A proud alum of Durham Public Schools, Trey attended Durham School of the Arts for high school and Carrington Middle School. It was during his time at Carrington that Trey's passion for the arts was ignited, particularly through his involvement in Evening to Shine, sparking a lifelong commitment to creativity and expression. Trey further honed his craft at Fordham University. He also had

the privilege of training at prestigious institutions in New York City, including The Juilliard School. Trey Fletcher is the current interim Director of the dance department at Jordan High School and continues to inspire and uplift through the transformative power of dance.



## Elementary Vocal Clinician



**Dena Byers** has served as Artistic Director for the Durham Children's Choir (DCC) since its founding in 2004. She currently teaches at Hillandale Elementary School and serves as one of the lead elementary music teachers. Dena has taught for Durham Public Schools for 26 years. She is National Board Certified and has been honored by being a top four finalist for District Teacher of the Year and receiving the NC Symphony's Jackson Pankhurst Award for Special Achievement in music education. An active member of the American Choral Directors Association and the American Orff-Schulwerk Association, Dena has been a guest conductor for All-State Honor Choirs in Mississippi, Florida and Tennessee as well as District All-County Choirs in North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida and Alabama. She has presented workshops for Orff Schulwerk chapters throughout the US and at National AOSA Professional Development Conferences. Dena currently teaches Level II Orff Schulwerk at the University of Memphis each summer. She received B.A. degrees in Music Education and Vocal Performance from the University of Connecticut, a Master of Music from the University of Minnesota and holds Level III and Master Level Orff Schulwerk Certifications from the University of Nevada-Las Vegas and the University of Memphis, respectively.



## Elementary School Choreographer

**Liz Sanford** is so excited to be involved with Evening to Shine!

Liz earned her BA in Dance from UNC Charlotte and then performed professionally as a modern dancer, in regional musical theatre, and in television and film. She spent a combined 8 seasons dancing and singing at Six Flags Over Georgia, Sesame Place, and Carowinds theme parks. She performed around the country with two national tours of Sesame Street Live!, where she originated the puppetry role of Maya Monster. Currently, Liz is a company member of Black Box Dance Theatre and enjoys teaching dance to students of all ages around the Triangle.



## High School Dance Choreographer



**Jasmine Powell, MFA**, is a creative expressionist from Hillsborough, NC, whose career has led her to PHILADANCO, Di-anne McIntyre, Milton Myers, Ronald K. Brown, Okwui Okpokwasili, Bill T. Jones, Justin Turnow, and Culture Mill all with social awareness and activism at its core to align with her artistry. She currently performs with KT COLLECTIVE Dance Company in Durham and serves as an Elon University Professor. Her personal mission and active artistry investigate the interrelation of conscious views to embody the diaspora, invoking a connection to source through a contemporary nature. Connecting with community, Jasmine's choreographic premieres, including *Approximation of a Woman*, have influenced performance theaters, conferences, film festivals, music videos, the Wake Forest Dance Festival, North Carolina Dance Festival, and recently the International Detroit Dance City Festival. Jasmine smiles at the opportunity to share work rooted in conceptual storytelling and is always relating to others through a creative expressionist lens.



## High School Choral Participants

### **C.E. Jordan High School**

Principal: Susan Taylor

Chorus Teacher: Olivia Vestal

Colin Brown  
Da'Ziah Clemmons  
Isabella Diaz  
Preston Frez  
Sofia Garcia  
Dylan Gross

Briana Harris  
Trinity Hill  
Camille Jones  
Cassandra Kinney  
Xio Mendoza-Cardoza  
Katie Morgan

Edith Orellana Argueta  
Molly Reed  
Penelope Saarela  
Sydnee Shumate  
Tomanni Wilkins

### **Durham School of the Arts - High**

Principal: Dr. Jackie Tobias

Chorus Teachers: Lucas Cecil, Amy B. Davis, Jeremy Nabors

Karma Alba  
Evan Byers  
Ash LeNoir-Gowden  
Skyla Lopez  
Chris Matuszewski  
Lucy Moffett

Makeda Moore  
Ruby Morphis  
Grace Morton  
Joshua Resuello  
Javier Ruiz  
Avery Shunk

Emlyn Soher  
Greta Spagnardi  
Arlo Suarez  
Gus Svara  
Tony Valencia  
Peyton Yuan

### **Northern High School**

Principal: Emmet Alexander Jr.

Chorus Teacher: Ginger Jones Robinson

Daniella Aguilar  
DeAsiah Carver  
Wendy Cruz Garcia  
Kimani Evans  
Lyric Fairley  
MaNeyah Grimes

Olivia Kirby Johnson  
Victoria Leake  
Noella Masumbuko  
Kyle Miller  
Anaiya Moore  
Kimberley Murcia Castro

Justin Nichols  
Kayla Richardson  
JohnPaul Rodio  
Aaron Schalliol  
Terah Warren  
Aaliyah Wilson

### **Riverside High School**

Principal: Dr. Gloria Woods-Weeks

Chorus Teacher: Jill Boliek

Delia Aguilar  
Axel Cai-Aveni  
Benjamin Davis  
Robbie Edmonds  
Ellis Hunter  
Aziz Latta

Claire Leslie  
Chris Marshall  
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### **Southern School of Energy & Sustainability**

Principal: Jerome Leathers

Chorus Teacher: Marlon West

Madison Abbott  
Michelle Anderson  
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Hannah Bouknight  
Emalie Burns  
Christian Canas

Trinity McKay  
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Aurianna Reams  
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Malachi Royster

Jeremiah Springer  
Taleisha Washington  
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## **DPS Student Production Staff**

### **C.E. Jordan High School**

Principal: Susan Taylor

Tech Theathre Teacher: Jess Evans

Students: Ilsa Bergman, Phoebe Artin

### **Durham School of the Arts - High**

Principal: Dr. Jackie Tobias

Tech Theathre Teacher: Todd Lawrence

Student: Ella Adams

### **School of Creative Studies**

Principal: Chaundra Clay

Tech Theathre Teacher: Tiffany Waters

Student: Asher Odvody



## High School Dance Participants

### **C.E. Jordan High School**

Principal: Susan Taylor

Dance Teacher: Trey Fletcher

Eliana Almario  
London Saxon

Taylor Shumate  
Emma Stoft

Sterling Stopford

### **Durham School of the Arts - High**

Principal: Dr. Jackie Tobias

Dance Teachers: Erin Kalfas and Richard Patten

Enise Blowe  
Khamani Johnson

Sara Rodrigues  
Camryn Wheaton

Abigail Zeresenai

### **Hillside High School**

Principal: Dr. William Logan

Dance Teacher: Toya Chinfloo

Zya Davenport  
Kah'neesha Harvey

Hannah Howard  
Olivia Howard

Zoe Johnson

### **Northern High School**

Principal: Emmet Alexander Jr.

Dance Teacher: Lori Madl

Landon Jenkins

Trinity Powell

Ruby Stinnett

### **Riverside High School**

Principal: Dr. Gloria Woods-Weeks

Dance Teacher: Krisitin Duncan

Chaunessy Atwater  
Alaina Atwater

Jordin Chavis  
Evan Thorn

Khyler Williamson

### **Southern School of Energy & Sustainability**

Principal: Jerome Leathers

Dance Teacher: Bernadine Fields

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### **Brogden Middle School**

Principal: Anthony White

Chorus Teacher: Dylan Quick

Edison Bartel  
Katheryn Castro-Fuentes  
Beatrix Crawford

Mareli Dominguez  
Alex Cuddington  
Alexandra Ozdowski

Anthony Smith  
Tia Wurster

### **Carrington Middle School**

Principal: Holly Emanuel

Chorus Teacher: Alicia Jones

Kyleah Boyd  
Joseph Morris

### **Durham School of the Arts**

Principal: Dr. Jackie Tobias

Chorus Teachers: Lucas Cecil, Amy B. Davis, Jeremy Nabors

Charlotte Baker  
Ruby Bitsas  
Selwyn Clark  
Eva Fager  
Addie Fisher

Judith Freeman  
Darcy Hogarth  
Emma Kirlauski  
Olivia Mann  
Maggie Muller  
Aurora Page-Weed

Ariana Price  
Ester Ramos  
Riley Robinson  
Ariel Solorzano  
Aliyah Wahome

### **Githens Middle School**

Principal: Dr. Sheldon A. Lanier

Chorus Teacher: Joy Knight

Lily Anderson  
Elise Bender  
Harper Crabtree  
Adair Hancock

Paige Leissner  
Virginia Masinick  
Rachel McCollum  
Maddy Powell

Hughes Roy  
Eden Santo-Kilgore  
Eloise Schultz  
Amani Wilson

**Lakewood Montessori Middle**

Principal: Don Jones

Chorus Teacher: John Salter

Sibu Admay  
Kameron Cayruth  
Dylan Downey-Piper

Logan Downey-Piper  
Lia Guajardo  
Charlotte Miller  
Nina Mathers-Malegam

Rose Romeo Weiss  
Heidi Santos Martinez  
Mirai Uysmith

**Lucas Middle School**

Principal: Sarah Sanchez

Chorus Teacher: Noah Melton

Emma DeWeese  
Kasia Hicks

Lily Laws  
Rowan Kirkley  
Cole Maida

Austin Sullins  
Sydney Woodside

**Rogers-Herr Middle School**

Principal: Dr. Kecia Rogers

Chorus Teacher: Nathaniel Stine

Claye Adams  
Tyler Beaulieu  
Camryn Boone  
Marcela Calderon Ayala  
Camila Cardoza

Everett Conklin  
Wynter Daye  
Kennedy Hargraves  
Miriam Liu-Beers

Allyson Luna Paez  
Alaysia Reddish  
Jenna Taylor  
America Vega Sierra  
William Weidner

**Shepard Middle School**

Principal: Claude Archer

Chorus Teacher: Adia Ledbetter

Grace Artis  
Asha-Kay Colquhoun

Trinity-Love Covington  
Layla Garrett  
Jeremiah Gilchrist

Alessia Griffin  
Glenda Mendoza Levia



## Elementary School Participants

Adrian Hargett  
Jase Newman

### **Bethesda Elementary School**

Principal: Emory Wyckoff  
Music Teacher: Meg Franks

Brielle Nixon  
Enricko Parchment

Alaya Ruffin

### **Burton Elementary School**

Principal: Tiffany Boss  
Music Teacher: Chantel Lamb

Christopher Hall  
Kadence Hudson

Aaliyah Rodriguez  
Neveah Speed

Raine Williams

### **Club Blvd. Humanities Magnet**

Principal: Gregory Mitchell  
Music Teacher: Laurie Siegel

Isabella Branon  
Stephanie Davis

Kennedy Hines  
Kiara Torres Trejo

### **Creekside Elementary School**

Principal: Dr. Victoria Creamer  
Music Teacher: Todd Moody

Rosemarie Jawo  
Caroline Johnson

Natalie Jury  
Hazel McCollum

Taylor Vinson

### **E.K. Powe Elementary School**

Principal: Michael Mattia  
Music Teacher: Jessica Tanner  
Teacher Designee: Ashonti Gainey

Ruby Jones  
Johnpatrick Myles

Sophie Seizer  
Simone Sendolo

Tim Starks

### **Easley Elementary School**

Principal: Jennifer Hauser  
Music Teacher: Amanda Haas

Miles Bey  
Gianna Mack

Wyatt McMillan  
Morgan Riley

Abigail Synan

**Eastway Elementary School**

Principal: Dr. Jackaline Teel

Music Teacher: Mike Truzy

Francisco Alonso

Zayviahna Saunders

Britany Lopez-Us

Agustin Tojin-Chitop

**Eno Valley Elementary School**

Principal: Dr. Tounya Wright

Music Teacher: Valeria King

Ariane Alex  
Zoey Buckholz

Hayley Hinds  
Zoey Johnson

Amber Mingia

**Forest View Elementary School**

Principal: James Boyce

Music Teacher: Abigail Lloyd

Aminah Best  
Emilia Bristow Roll

Stella Campbell  
Krishna Gulati-Partee

Westin Myers

**George Watts Montessori Magnet**

Principal: Jennifer Aguilar

Music Teacher: Keli Burke

Jonisty Brown  
Zalmoria Keegan

Elodie Morgan  
Mikayla Snyderman

Cecilia Triche-  
Rowe

**Glenn Elementary School**

Principal: Matthew Hunt

Music Teacher: Cecelia Gulley

Elser Aguilar Rojas  
Sanilylah Gill

Jalen Grimes  
Dionna Haywood

Kimberly Medina Canseco

**Hillandale Elementary School**

Principal: Michael Bloom

Music Teacher: Dena Byers

Cydni Cates  
Aniyah Daniels

Riley Rigsbee  
Luna Terry

**Holt Elementary School**

Principal: Dr. Donya Jones

Music Teacher: Hatalee Anderson

Saysah Bratcher  
Brianna Fuller

Hannah Gibson  
Peyton Lipscomb

Dora Salamanca Huerta



## Elementary School Participants

### Hope Valley Elementary School

Principal: Jed Miller

Music Teacher: Costa Constantinou

Justice Cooper  
Cara Greene

Susan Greene  
Morgan Jinwright

Matthis Miller

### Lakewood Elementary School

Principal: Jeri Jackson

Music Teacher: Vincent Bowen

Vivien Hartz  
Mia Ledbetter- Jones

Malachi Richardson  
Greta Sears

Paige Wright

### Little River K-8 School

Principal: Dr. Cory Hogans

Music Teacher: Carrie Kirlauski

Harper Amodeo  
Addie Kirlauski

Max Lodata  
Parker Sandilands

Andrew Watson

### Lyons Farm Elementary

Principal: James Hopkins

Music Teacher: Kayla Curran

Grace Delarme  
Zachary Mendiola

Alana Robinson  
Emily Roy

Andasia Tarr

### Mangum Elementary School

Principal: Gwen Dorman

Music Teacher: Travis Smith

Shelby Andrews  
Addison Baker

Lillie Griffin  
Fiona Kirkley

Jacoby Woods

### Morehead Montessori School

Principal: Tyler Steketee

Music Teacher: Delois Meadows

Perla Contreras Rivera  
Kennedi Mcgee

Kaia Pollmann Mitchell  
Asha Schneiderman

Camille Watson



**Oak Grove Elementary School**

Principal: Dr. Kristin Tate  
Music Teacher: Adrienne Jernigan

London Fox  
Aniyah Lassiter

Jayden Santos-Hall  
Aisha Wise

Olivia Womack

**Parkwood Elementary School**

Principal: Kimberly Fearington  
Music Teacher: Lindsay Guaman

Juliah Green  
Hudson Kumah

Bella Massey  
Larisa Sprauve

**Pearsontown Elementary School**

Principal: Asia Cunningham  
Music Teacher: Kim Wright

Avery Jenkins  
Jayce Odvody

Emori Richardson-Booker  
Alice Shepherd

Phoebe  
Smitherman

**R.N. Harris Elementary School**

Principal: Mshinda Middleton  
Music Teacher: Tim Lorelli

Caroline Pacheco  
Layla Swinson

Aden Wilds  
Ariah Williams

**Sandy Ridge Elementary School**

Principal: Lanisha Hinton  
Music Teacher: Michael Epps

Alexia Aguilar  
Grace Gaston

Miyanna Kidd  
Chrishelle Lecraft

Ariana Martinez-Banegas

**Southwest Elementary School**

Principal: Nick Rotosky  
Music Teacher: Markiss Barnes

Madison Lennon  
Elizabeth Stiegel

Gia Thomas  
Leah Walker

Kaylin Wheless

**Spring Valley Elementary School**

Principal: Gwendolyn Wilson  
Music Teacher: ToKay Allen

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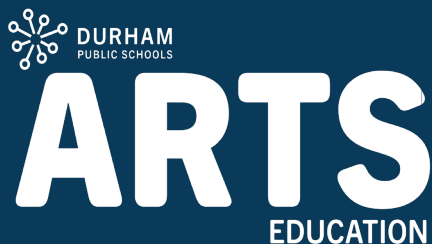
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## Arts Educators Show

March 17 - May 5, 2024  
Receptions: March 15 + April 19 • 6-8 pm  
Durham Arts Council



## Destination Dance!

Friday, March 22, 2024  
Performance • 6:30 pm  
Durham Arts Council



## All-County Orchestra

Tuesday, April 9, 2024  
Concert • 7:00 pm  
Northern High School



## All-County Chorus Elementary

Friday, April 26, 2024  
Concert • 6:00 pm  
Durham School of the Arts



## DPS Spring Art Show

Elementary • April 22 - May 4  
Secondary • May 5 - May 18  
The Streets at Southpoint