Dance Showcase 2015

Dance Showcase features all levels of the Seabury dance program in a concert of Jazz, Modern, Ballet, World, and Contemporary dance.

The show will premiere an upbeat, high-energy Contemporary piece by Bay Area guest artists Meghan and Tito Reyes of Fusion Dance Project. Choreographed during a week-long residency with our top dancers, the Seabury Hall Dance Ensemble, this electronic pop piece is an athletic challenge.

The company will also perform three very different pieces. Andre Morissette's Modern piece, H2O, is a contemplative exploration of water set to music by the Art of Noise. By contrast, Guest Choreographer Nicole Yezzi’s Phantasm, set to music by Sam Sparo, is high-energy Contemporary. Finally, David Ward’s Arab-influenced dance Mideastern Reverie is set to music by Yo Yo Ma’s Silk Road Ensemble. Not a political statement, the piece celebrates the imagery and music of an ancient culture.

Level C’s new dance will be Andre’s fun romp Life is a Beach to a suite of tunes by Herb Alpert & the Tijuana Brass. It features a solo by the beach’s lifeguard, Zander Medrano.

Ballet mistress Vanessa Cerrito has prepared a sweet beginning Ballet piece to “Music Box Dancer” by Mike Strickland. Her Ballet 2 students will perform “Black,” an edgy piece set to Vitamin String Quartet’s rendition of Lady Gaga's “Bad Romance.” Ballet 3 will perform an emotional feminine quartet to Christina Aguilera’s “I Am.”

Every level of the program performs in a closing suite of Ella Fitzgerald songs from the great American songbook. Pieces by Cole Porter, Irving Berlin, Duke Ellington, and Johnny Mercer weave moods and styles from the blues to hot jazz to musical standards.

Remember that our first Sunday, April 19, is a pay-what-you-will matinee. For all tickets, purchase or reserve online at seaburyhall.org. We can now take credit cards (and checks) at the door as well!