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Resident Company Coyaba Dance Theater Returns to the Dance Place Stage!

WHAT: Coyaba Dance Theater at Dance Place

WHEN: Live performance on Saturday, February 12 at 8:00pm EST, and Sunday, February 13 at 8:00pm EST

WHERE: FREE at the Cafritz Theatre

Get ready for the jubilant celebration of Coyaba Dance Theater's 25th year! Led by Artistic Director Mama Sylvia Soumah, join Dance Place and Resident Company Coyaba Dance Theater for an invigorating night of music, drumming, theater, and the dazzling energy of West African dance to celebrate 25 years. This evening of traditional and contemporary West African dance, with a focus on the various humanitarian themes of West African culture, includes a mix of recent and archival pre-recorded footage. Perfect for all ages, this year's celebration of Coyaba is a high energy virtual presentation that gives a snapshot of the best of Coyaba.

About Coyaba Dance Theater

Coyaba Dance Theater was founded in 1997 by Founder/Artistic Director Sylvia Soumah. Their mission is to present traditional and contemporary West African dance and music focusing on the diverse ethnic groups and various humanitarian themes of West African culture. Coyaba Dance Theater performs throughout the year and has been featured at The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, The Publick Playhouse, the Lincoln Theater, the Lisner Auditorium, Dance Place, the Chicago Theater and the World Culture Open in Seoul, South Korea. Coyaba Dance Theater holds performances, workshops and residencies throughout the Washington Metropolitan area as well as throughout the U.S. and abroad. Coyaba Dance Theater also offers classes for children throughout the year under the Coyaba Youth Academy.

About Dance Place

Founded in 1980, Dance Place builds a community of artists, audiences and students through high quality performances, commissions, training and educational programs. We are committed to enriching the field of dance locally, nationally and internationally. Led by Executive Artistic Director Christopher K. Morgan, our thriving arts campus serves as an anchor in our Brookland / Edgewood neighborhood in Washington, DC.

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