

Welcome Dance Place's Interim Executive Director Shermica Farquhar!

December, 2021 (Washington, D.C.) -- The Dance Place Board of Directors and staff are thrilled to announce Shermica Farquhar as our Interim Executive Director to lead the organization during this time of transition.

Shermica is a seasoned executive with diverse experiences crossing industries and functions – from leading the regional expansion of a charter school network to restructuring teams for Fortune 500 companies and guiding executives through organizational change. But as a multidisciplinary artist, dance is her first love. She has made her mark on the DC Cultural scene spreading the joy of carnival through her Soka Tribe, a cultural organization that has taught across 15 cities, 5 countries, and countless stages, including the Kennedy Center Millennium Stage and as part of its REACH Center opening ceremonies. Click <u>here</u> to learn more about Shermica.

Dance Place continues to thoughtfully prepare for the departure of current Executive Artistic Director Christopher K. Morgan. The Dance Place Board and staff is currently assessing emerging leadership model trends to better inform the future leadership and organizational structure of Dance Place. To that end, we are excited to engage executive search firm <u>Good Insight</u> to conduct a national search for our next leadership. In the interim, Shermica will take the reins to continue Christopher's great work implementing our major programs, enhancing Dance Place's image, overseeing our operations in order to ensure that Dance Place can successfully fulfill its mission into the future. We look forward to collaborating with Shermica to further Dance Place's vision and values in this ever changing landscape.

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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. Our thriving arts campus serves as an anchor in the development of our Brookland / Edgewood neighborhood in Washington, DC.

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