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Advanced **Dance Students** to Display Choreography Talents at **Showcase**



Quick Facts

- The Student Choreography Showcase will feature five student-choreographed modern dance
- Showtimes include April 23 at 8 p.m., April 24 at 2 and 8 p.m. and April 25 at 2 p.m.



ROCK HILL, S.C. - Human connection and interaction and the vast world of human emotions will be the focus of the spring 2010 Student Choreography Showcase set for April 23-25 in Johnson Theatre.

Highlighted in the showcase will be pieces choreographed by five advanced dance students: Emily C. Herring; (Rock Hill); Chay Raines (Powder Springs, Ga.); Brittany Rose (Damascus, Md.); Amanda Stafford (Burlington, N.C.); and Herbert Washington (Rock Hill). The student choreographers, who participate in all aspects of their pieces, will work with a 13-student cast as well as faculty members Stephanie Milling, showcase director, and Biff Edge, technical director and lighting

designer.

While most of the pieces in the production fall into the modern dance genre, some have classical underpinnings, while others are jazzy and some have a more contemporary feel. The showcase is the culmination of a semester's work in Milling's advanced choreography course.

Milling, who has coordinated the showcase for the past two years, noted that the production supplies students with valuable choreography experience and gives them a chance to learn more about their skills.

"The showcase is not just about creating a piece to have performed on stage; I ask the students to reflect on what they've learned, and the reflections give them a much better sense of their skills and artistic tendencies," said Milling. "Then they can figure out how to break out of their own creative boxes, which continues to help them as choreographers."

Student Choreography Showcase performances will be held April 23 at 8 p.m., April 24 at 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. and April 25 at 2 p.m. in Johnson Theatre. Tickets for the show are \$8 with Winthrop I.D. and \$15 for the general public. Seating is reserved.

For tickets, call the box office at 803/323-4014 or e-mail boxoffice@winthrop.edu.

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