



Hubbard Street Youth, Education and Community Programs announces programming for 2017–18 school year.

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CHICAGO – Hubbard Street Artistic Director Glenn Edgerton and Kathryn Humphreys, the company's Director of Youth, Education and Community Programs, are proud to announce that Hubbard Street is now taking application for its free 2017–18 school programming, including the addition of The Movement Lab, a one-year program for Chicago Public School teachers, continuing to serve more than 8,000 students annually through partnerships, scholarships, and performances in Chicago.

Hubbard Street Dance Chicago offers residencies and workshops for students to explore contemporary dance and choreography, develop their creativity and problem solving skills, deepen their analytic and abstract thinking, create meaningful connections to other areas of study, and learn about themselves, their peers, and their surroundings. Hubbard Street is currently accepting applications for two of its free school partnership programs, The Movement Lab and Movement As Partnership. Applications for both programs are due April 17.

The Movement Lab is a new, free one-year program offered to interdisciplinary teaching teams of Chicago Public School and suburban teachers. This program aims to bring innovative contemporary dance curriculum to school communities while simultaneously reinvigorating participants teaching practice. The Movement Lab program is designed to be a collaborative, experiential professional development opportunity.

Through an application process, Hubbard Street will carefully select teams showcasing a readiness and excitement in investing, designing and implementing movement-infused curriculum that engages students with the power of dance as a means of investigating the big ideas of our time.

Now in its tenth year, **Movement As Partnership (MAP)** is Hubbard Street's signature education initiative. This expansive partnership program works with teachers and students in grades 3-5 and offers a 14-week residency supported by field trips to performances with the company and professional development opportunities for teachers and administrators.

The MAP Program is Hubbard Street's free, in-school dance residency program that transforms classrooms into living laboratories of movement and learning. This unique long-term partnership model is designed to strengthen and advance dance education in the public school setting while also supporting teacher professional development and student learning across subjects. Students explore their surroundings, express and embody knowledge, and enhance their learning in compelling and powerful ways. Teachers have the unique opportunity to collaborate with a dance educator for professional development and curriculum design. As a school community, these classrooms become vital spaces of expression and growth.

Hubbard Street will also continue to present the **SpringBoard** program, providing ready-to-go curriculum packages that enable teachers to connect specific topics and larger concepts, skills and strategies through collaboration with Hubbard Street's world-class dance faculty.

Applications for both The Movement Lab and MAP programs are available at hubbardstreetdance.com/schools. Applications for both programs are due by Friday, April 17 to Kathryn Humphreys.

About Hubbard Street

Hubbard Street Dance Chicago's core purpose is to bring artists, art and audiences together to enrich, engage, educate, transform and change lives through the experience of dance. Celebrating Season 39 in 2016-17, under the artistic leadership of Glenn Edgerton, Hubbard Street continues to innovate, supporting ascendant creative talent while presenting repertory by internationally recognized living artists. Hubbard Street has grown through the establishment of multiple platforms alongside the Lou Conte Dance Studio – now in its fifth decade of providing a wide range of public classes and pre-professional training – while extensive Youth, Education, Community, Adaptive Dance and Family Programs keep the organization deeply connected to its hometown. Visit hubbardstreetdance.com for artist profiles, touring schedules, and much more.

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