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St. Louis through the Magic of Dance!*

Alexandra Ballet Joins National Dance Week Celebration

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On Saturday, April 27th, the St. Louis Community and Alexandra Ballet join the nation to celebrate National Dance Week - a week to celebrate dance and promote fun fitness. Come see performances by professional, university, and dance studio companies at Union Station South Plaza from 12:00pm - 5:00pm. The public is invited, free of charge, to view ballet, jazz, tap and modern disciplines, as well as folk and drill teams. There will be a guest performance by National Dance Week honorary dance company, The Big Muddy Dance Company.

During the 1 o'clock hour, Alexandra Ballet will present *Joie de Danse*, set to Johannes Brahms' Waltzes, Opus 39, with delightful original choreography by the company's Associate Director, CiCi Houston. *Joie de Danse* celebrates the joy of a life spent in dance. This ensemble piece, choreographed in 21st century American style, features each dancer and their own unique personality.



When dance innovators Capezio and Dance Magazine launched the grass-roots event several years ago to bring dance to America's doorstep, St. Louis signed on as a staunch supporter. With the mission to heighten awareness of dance and its cultural contributions, National Dance Week has achieved congressional support through the aid of the United Dance Merchants of America. St. Louis sponsors Weissman's Designs for Dance, Kyvon, Gale Creative, MAK Printing, Gale Creations, Audioactive Projects Inc., Enterprise Bank & Trust, Candra Johnson Photography, and Eureka Signs & Display, join patrons Union Station, Edison Theatre and Dr. Bill Russell to present the annual extravaganza.

For additional information, visit www.nationaldanceweekstl.com or contact Linda Green at 314-703-0985 or Lgreen5678@sbcglobal.net

Don't miss Alexandra Ballet's *Joie de Danse* and all the exciting festivities of National Dance Week St. Louis!

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