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## DANCE PARADE NEW YORK GOES GLOBAL WITH INTERACTIVE ONLINE FESTIVAL

**New York, NY, May 14, 2020** - Dance Parade New York hosts its interactive online dance festival on Saturday, May 16, from 1:00-3:30 pm Eastern Standard Time.

Anticipating 1,000 people dancing-in-place from around the world, parade organizers have lined up family-friendly fun and movement joy in DJ-lead dance rooms, free dance classes with top professionals, dance-offs between participants, flashmob, free dance classes, and will announce winners of Dare-to-Dance challenge. which invited house-bound choreographers to submit new work to win cash prizes. Register her to participate <https://danceparade.org/zoom/>. Those wanting to watch can see the show on Facebook, Instagram, Twitch and YouTube Live!

Among Parade & Festival highlights:

**The New York Grandstand:** [Princess Lockeroo](#), opens the parade with a Waacking Flashmob. Get your freak on and dance out to Dance to DJ Liquid Todd, watch or participate in dance battles with cash prizes, tutu jams, cultural spotlights and witness the "*Dance Police Lockdown*," and join Barbara Ann Michaels "I Dance Like You!" showcase. The free registration includes vibrant virtual backgrounds for participants to use on Zoom.

**Ribbon Cutting Ceremony:** Kicking off the family-friendly event is a ceremony officiated by Emcee Jungle paying homage to healthcare workers and introducing this year's Grand Marshals: awarding winning modern dance choreographer [David Dorfman](#), Masala Bhangra pioneer [Sarina Jain](#), SiriusXM Radio DJ [Liquid Todd](#), and world-renowned Waacking dance artist [Princess Lockeroo](#).

**DanceFest Teaching Stage:** Pick up dance moves from five dance: Strike-A-Pose in Princess Lockeroo's **Waacking** class; **Kick-ball Change** David Dorfman's Master Modern dance class;

experience traditional Indian **Bhangra** with Sarina Jain; learns Salsa Shines with Barbara Bernstein from DancelnTime and **Zumba** with Laci Chasholm's Fit4Dance.

**Dare To Dance Challenge:** See the winner of the video challenge to house-bound choreographers to create a new work during this period of isolation and social distancing. Thanks to Nancy Steele of STEELE DANCE, three winners will receive cash prizes and will have their one-minute videos premiered at the festival.

**Grandstand Show:** Relive the actual Dance Parade in New York City with Emcee Shireen Dickson. Hear interviews with artistic directors and get an inside glimpse of the stories behind diverse types of dance culture.

## **BACKGROUND:**

Dance Parade New York is the world's only street parade to exclusively celebrate and showcase the diversity of dance. This annual celebration of eclectic dance styles from around the world, features over ten thousand dancers, and presents more than 80 unique styles of dance.

Launched in 2006, Dance Parade is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization whose mission is to celebrate diversity by presenting as many forms of dance and culture as possible. The organization offers free dance programs to schools and community centers throughout New York City.

The 14th Annual Dance Parade and Festival is made possible in part with private support as well as public funds from the New York City Department of Cultural Affairs. For our Media Kit, including high resolution photos, full bios of our Grand Marshals, information about Dance Parade and our education programs please visit:

<http://danceparade.org/media-kit-press-releases>.

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