# URBANGATEWAYS

Urban Gateways se empeña jóvenes en experiencias de artes para inspirar creatividad y afectar cambios sociales.

Urban Gateways se ofrece ayuda en la reserva de programas en español. Además, ofrecemos programas y presentaciones en español. Contactarnos a 312.922.0440 por hablar con alguien en español.

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# **Urban Gateways** engages young people in arts experiences to inspire creativity and impact social change.



Sculpture workshop at Oak Terrace Elementary. Photo by Danny Howard.

# URBAN GATEWAYS WHO WE ARE

## Urban Gateways engages young people in arts experiences to inspire creativity and impact social change.

Our programs span many artistic disciplines and methods of creative engagement We'd love to explore a partnership with through which young people and their your organization and discuss the most communities acquire and refine artistic effective ways to bolster your programming skills, demonstrate their talents, and and/or curriculum through the arts! engage in critical thinking and civic Check out the different sections of this Program discourse - all while exploring new Guide for ideas regarding program areas possibilities. Programs are led by trained and that may be right for your community. experienced professional artists and staff.

We collaborate with a wide variety of partners that include schools, community centers, youth service organizations, higher education institutions, treatment facilities, museums, performance venues, parks, and other settings where youth and communities can benefit from enriching and educational arts experiences.

We embrace the tenets of Creative Youth **Development**, encouraging youth to become agents of change in their own lives and communities. We also strive to offer healing-centered engagement by nurturing youth and community expressions of creativity, hope, and resilience.

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### PARTNER WITH US

Interested in touring performances, residencies, workshops, and/or professional development? Visit urbangateways.org/programs and fill out an Interest Form for the program of your choice. Our staff will

- get back to you to discuss the possibilities. For information or questions regarding any
- of our program areas, including Street Level and Teen Arts Pass (TAP), you can find contact information throughout this Program Guide and at urbangateways.org.

### Looking for program funding opportunities?

We may be able to point you in the right direction. Examples include Title I funding, Creative Schools Fund grants for Chicago Public Schools, and the Safe & Peaceful Communities Initiative for community organizations.

Contact residencies@urbangateways.org or 312.922.0440 with any questions.

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# URBAN GATEWAYS OUR IMPACT

We believe that all youth deserve equitable access to opportunities that support their personal development, social well-being, and passion for lifelong learning.

The professional artists and staff who lead our programs work alongside partners that range from schools to community organizations, ensuring that we reach and engage young people where they are. We embrace the tenets of Creative Youth Development and strive to become a more healing-centered organization, so that we can meet the needs of diverse youth populations under the premise of mutual respect and accountability. We feel it's what our city needs.

We are grateful to you, our partners. You make it possible for us to do what we do best: Engage young people in arts experiences to inspire creativity and impact social change. With your support, we are able to engage even more young people in innovative experiences of creativity - transforming not only our organization, but society itself, one step at a time.



Culminating performance for an after-school dance residency at Richard Henry Lee Elementary. Photo by Lucas Anti.

## COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

"Urban Gateways, in partnership with UCAN, has invested in providing services to communities like North Lawndale in a way that recognizes the trauma that the community endures while being mindful in the healing power of the arts. When Urban Gateways shows up in the community, UCAN knows that quality service delivery will be provided to help young people experience the arts in a fun and creative manner.

### **ARTIST RESIDENCIES**

"I consider myself lucky. The partnership that we've been able to build with Jesse, the Urban Gateways resident artist...we could have never [predicted] what the benefit was going to be for our students. He's changed our school in so many ways. Urban Gateways has been an amazing partner and without them we would not be where we are today."

>> Joshua Long, Principal, Southside Occupational Academy

"It's been really wonderful to watch students develop their voice over the years throughout the duration of our partnership with Urban Gateways. I've seen students come out of their shells in the classroom and watch them perform on our final night; that final performance is really something special. As they're building their confidence in those forms of expression, we can see that translating into the classroom."

>> Dr. Sara Haas, Principal, Brighton Park Elementary

### TEEN ARTS PASS

"A program like this has the capacity to change a young person's life in one engagement. Seeing someone on stage and saying, 'You know what? I can do that too."

>> Tracie D. Hall, Program Director, The Joyce Foundation

"The program has given me the opportunity to leave the south side neighborhood I grew up in and explore places I would have never dreamed of visiting without being a part of this program. If you told me 8 months ago that I would be going to see performances by the Chicago Symphony Orchestra and the Lyric Opera for just \$5, I would have looked at you like you were crazy."

>> Jamani, TAP Teen Council Member

"Lisa, she taught me a lot about the sound board, how to mix tracks, how to set up the microphone. Because of that I was able to record a lot of music on my own without even needing a [sound] engineer."

"I love the Street Level podcasts, and with the skills I've learned at Street Level, I am currently launching a daytime talk show aimed at issues from the queer black male perspective."

"Street Level is the place for young people to hone their craft." >> Lisa Davidson, Street Level Instructor & Studio Coordinator

### TOURING PERFORMANCES

"Children need to be given as many cultural opportunities as we can give them. Your organization allows us to host these [touring performances] without having to take expensive transportation to and from. Urban Gateways offers quite a diversity in programs. I love the idea of supporting the arts and artists."

>> Jacob Dancer III, LCSW, Program Manager, UCAN

### STREET LEVEL

>> Marko, Street Level youth participant

>> Shane, Street Level youth participant

>> Administrator, Country Meadows Montessori

# ARTIST RESIDENCIES

Urban Gateways Artist-in-Residence programs build collaborative partnerships between teaching artists and schools or community-based organizations, providing meaningful exploration in the arts.

Our diverse and talented teaching artists develop and implement integrated curricula in visual arts, music, theater, dance, new media arts, and literary arts for all types of learners. A residency's curriculum reflects both the artist's unique skill set and the input of the partner - we work with you to determine an impactful experience for your students or community members. Residencies can be short- or long-term, ranging from just a few weeks to several months.

#### In-School Residency

Teaching artists work in partnership with a classroom teacher during instructional time to develop hands-on integrated arts experiences in a subject area.

#### After-School Residency

Teaching artists lead after-school classes for students in a specific art form. Typically, artists are on-site for a minimum of two hours, working with one to two groups of participants.

#### **Community-Based Residency**

Teaching artists partner with members of a community-based organization to develop handson art making experiences for the young people and community members they serve. Residencies focus on a specific art form that can be integrated into the partner organization's mission or goals.

#### **ARTISTAS EN RESIDENCIAS**

Por las Residencias de Urban Gateways, nuestros maestros de artes preparan e implementan currículo integradas en artes finas, músico, teatro, baile, artes digitales, y artes literarios por todo tipo de estudiante, en todas maneras. Contactarnos para más información desde los residencias o programas en español: residencies@urbangateways.org o

### **RESIDENCIES BY** DISCIPLINE

Within the disciplines of dance, new media arts, literary, music, theater, and visual arts, Urban Gateways artists introduce young people to a host of different art forms and experiences.

#### DANCE

Creative Movement Cultural Dance Modern Тар Choreography Hip Hop Ballet Contemporary Jazz

#### **NEW MEDIA ARTS**

**Digital Music** Composition Film & Video

**Graphic Design** Photography Digital Journalism

#### LITERARY ARTS & THEATER

Acting/Drama Creative Writing Improvisation

#### MUSIC

Composition Percussion/Rhythm Singing Songwriting

Storytelling

Spoken Word

Painting

Printmaking

Sculpture

Poetry

#### **VISUAL ARTS**

Animation	Fiber Arts
Collage	Mosaic
Drawing	Murals

\* Please note these experiences are examples of site-specific programs. Criteria for implementation are determined by cost of program, site readiness, and/or availability of teaching artists.



#### 2018-19 TEACHING ARTIST ROSTER\*

#### **LITERARY ARTS &** THEATER

Roger Bonair-Agard Mykele Deville-Callicutt Jennifer Green Runako Jahi Eunsong Angela Kim Mark Nichols Jessica Fiene Jeremy Schaefer avery r. young

#### MUSIC Zahra Baker Kevin Brown Josh Guy Danny Howard Amy Lowe Michael Riendeau Temple Schultz

Michael Taylor

Carol Weston

**MEDIA ARTS** 

Gonzalo Reves

Jesse Avina

Jason Wolf

**INTERDISCIPLINARY** ARTS

Laura Crotte Irekani Ferreyra Lional Freeman Kimberly Mahal-Laude Mercedes Martinez Jennifer Senecal Marvin Tate

# Oliverio Rodriguez Erika Valenciana

"Adad" Demetrius Barry

The Four Layer Players, an Urban Gateways drumline program at EPIC Academy. Photo by Alayna Kudalis.

#### **VISUAL ARTS**

Montserrat Alsina Nicole Beck Aquil Charlton William Eller William Estrada Roberto Ferreyra Jonathan Franklin Jillian Gryzlak Sonja Henderson James Jankowiak Jeff Maldonado Victoria Martinez Grace Needlman Jean Parisi Diana Solís Sun Yun

#### DANCE

Kimberly Baker Zineb Chraibi Elisa Foshay Leida "Lady Sol" Garcia Mukwacha Raivyn Jenkins Kaitlin Keegan Anne Marie Loesch Amaniyea Payne Yolanda Pittman-Maloney Lin Shook

\* Our artist roster and artists' availability are both subject to change throughout the year. For a list of current artists, please visit our website.

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Learn more about our teaching artists, see program examples, and fill out an Interest Form for residency programs at urbangateways.org/residencies.

Contact residencies@urbangateways.org or 312.922.0440 with any questions.

# URBAN GATEWAYS WORKSHOPS

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an Interest Form at

urbangateways.org/

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312.922.0440 with

any questions.

Danny Howard.

workshops.

# PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

**Urban Gateways Workshops provide** opportunities for young people, families, and/or community groups to engage in the artistic process together.

Offered as a one-time event or as a short series in multiple art forms, workshops allow for hands-on art making experiences with talented professional artists quiding the way.

#### Youth, Family, and Community Workshops

These workshops can be offered as a one-time experience or a short series, bringing people of all ages together for hands-on art making experiences alongside Urban Gateways teaching artists. A workshop can include a central idea or theme - for example, relationship-building through a collaborative project or exploring world cultures through musicmaking. Youth, Family, and Community Workshops can act as stand-alone experiences or can be combined with other programs such as Residencies, Touring Performances, and/or Professional Development to provide deeper engagement in the arts.

#### Immersion Workshops

These workshops are designed to pair with a Touring Performance to extend and deepen the audience experience. Learn more on page 10.

#### Street Level Workshops & Field Trips

Schools or community groups participate in hands-on learning experiences at Street Level, our new media arts center, located at 1637 N Ashland Ave in Chicago. Learn more on page 26.

#### TALLERES

Los Talleres de Urban Gateways le da oportunidades para jóvenes, familias, y grupos de comunidad a empeñarse en el proceso de arte juntos. Contactarnos para más información desde talleres o programas en español: workshops@ urbangateways.org o 312.922.0440.





See examples of professional development opportunities and fill out an Interest Form at urbangateways. org/professionaldevelopment.

**Contact professional** development@ urbangateways.org or 312.922.0440 with any questions.

Left: Photo by Urban Gateways Staff.

Led by Urban Gateways teaching artists, Professional Development programs guide educators, youth workers, and administrators in implementing arts-based approaches and teaching practices.

Professional Development opportunities can vary in length and are offered in multiple topics, from learning how to integrate the arts into the daily life of a classroom, to creating hands-on art projects that support relationship-building and community.

As part of our healing-centered approach, Urban Gateways offers Professional Development opportunities that focus on self-care and address the compassion fatigue often experienced by youth workers and educators in various settings.

Professional Development programs can stand-alone or can be combined with other programs such as Residencies, Workshops, and Touring Performances to deepen a community's arts experience.

#### DESARROLLOS PROFESIONALES

Instruido desde los maestros de artes, Desarrollos Profesionales les enseñe educadores, asistentes sociales, y administradores en empeñar estrategias basado en arte. Contactarnos para obtener más información desde los desarrollos profesionales: professionaldevelopment@urbangateways.org o 312.922.0440.

# TOURING PERFORMANCES

**Urban Gateways Touring Performances** thoughtfully engage audiences in a wide variety of artistic disciplines and cultures through live dance, music, and theater experiences.

The 45 shows on our roster are entertaining, educational, and interactive; they combine masterful performances by some of Chicago's top professional artists with insightful context to deepen the audience's understanding of the cultures and art forms. We offer performances appropriate for school or community audiences of all ages. Educational materials are provided to help draw connections in classrooms or other learning environments.



#### DanceWorks Chicago. Photo by Lucas Anti.

#### PRESENTACIONES EN GIRA

Las Presentaciones en Gira de Urban Gateways le da audiencias la oportunidad a ver espectáculos variedades en baile, músico, y teatro. Tenemos 45 obras disponibles. Contactarnos para más información sobre las Presentaciones o las obras en español: performances@urbangateways.org o 312.922.0440.

## LENGTH: 40 MINUTES AUDIENCE: UP TO 350 BASE PRICE: \$400-\$750

#### Things to consider when booking our touring performances:

- Additional shows can be booked on the same day to accommodate audiences larger than 350; discounts apply for additional performances on the same day in the same location and scheduled within two hours of the first show.
- Base price includes weekdays before 6pm; additional fees apply for evening and weekend performances as well as extended travel.
- Shows should be booked a minimum of two weeks in advance; more time is required for a specific date or show.

#### **IMMERSION WORKSHOPS**

Want to extend and deepen the audience experience? Pair an Immersion Workshop with your Touring Performance. Immersion Workshops feature interactive arts activities led by touring artists and typically take place just before or after a show, helping audience members to build hands-on connections to the Touring Performance. Contact performances@urbangateways.org or 312.922.0440 for more information or note your interest in your Touring Performance Request Form found at urbangateways.org/performances.





Ready to book a Touring Performance? Fill out a Request Form at urbangateways.org/performances.

"Made-Up Musical" with Storytown Improv. Photo by Lucas Anti.

culture, and explore themes. Icons highlight shows that are outstanding in each category.



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### **Special Education**

Titles with the Special Education icon offer an accessible version of the performance, created with the guidance of a Licensed Art Therapist for special needs school and organizational environments.



### **New Show**

Contact performances@urbangateways.org or 312.922.0440 with any questions.

# **TOURING PERFORMANCES** DANCE



#### AMAZING AFRICA

#### Avodele

Traditional rhythms, acrobatic dancing, and native attire immerse audiences in West African culture while sharing messages of empowerment and respect for all people. M-F, Weekends | All Ages



#### BREAKIN' IT DOWN: HIP HOP HISTORY **Chicago Dance Crash**

This highly interactive performance focuses on the history of various hip hop dance styles, including popping, waving, funk, breakdancing, and more. Audiences will join in as dancers demonstrate these exciting techniques, from the origins in freestyle to choreography seen today. T/Th/F; Mornings M/W | All Ages



#### **CELEBRATION DANCES OF WEST AFRICA** Soli Performing Arts Company

This exciting performance explores Africa's indigenous cultures through traditional dancing, drumming, and proverbs that have guided Africans for many years. Featuring authentic attire and native instruments, this show includes fun and unforgettable audience participation.

M-F, Weekends | All Ages \$550

#### CHA CHA CHA: LATIN AMERICAN DANCES Nelson & Paola Sosa

Tour Latin America and explore how geography, culture, and customs influence each region's music and dance in this highly interactive performance. Audiences will be invited to play instruments and learn basic steps to salsa, rumba, and more.

Entertainment

Focused



Language



#### CHINESE FOLK AND CLASSICAL DANCE Chinese Dance Duo

The rich heritage and artistry of Chinese dance comes to life as audiences experience the elegant flow of the silk fan, the aggressive yet graceful martial arts style, and other traditional dances, all of which feature authentic Chinese props and costumes.

T/W/Th/F, Weekends | All Ages



#### DANZAS CEREMONIALES DE MEXICO Nahui Ollin

Experience pre-Hispanic traditions of Central Mexico with ancient ceremonial dances and music, complete with authentic attire and instrumentation.

M-F, Weekends | All Ages \$500 **(2)** [??

"We are thrilled that Urban Gateways is a part of what we can offer our students and community! Over the past three years, you have greatly changed and increased our students' exposure to the arts. We are grateful and look forward to future ways to partner!"

>> Principal, Pope John Paul II Catholic School



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"Celebration Dances of West Africa" with Soli Performing Arts Company. Photo by Lucas Anti.

Son Monarcas See full description under Music. M-F, Weekends | All Ages \$550 🥙 🚱 🕥

#### FLAMENCO: THE MUSIC OF MOVEMENT Flamenco Quartet Project

See full description under Music.

M/Th/F | All Ages \$550

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### GAME OF WARRIORS: BRAZILIAN CAPOEIRA

#### Gingarte Capoeira Chicago

This exciting live performance introduces audiences to the history and meaning of capoeira, a Brazilian cultural art form that beautifully combines dance and music with the acrobatic skills of martial arts.

#### M-F, Weekends | All Ages



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**New Show** 

# **TOURING PERFORMANCES** DANCE

#### HEARTBEAT OF JAPAN

#### Tsukasa Taiko

See full description under Music.



### HISTORY OF DANCE FROM BALLET TO BREAKDANCING

#### **Chicago Dance Crash**

Audiences will enjoy demonstrations of exciting concert and urban dance forms including jazz, hip hop, modern, and ballet. The program includes explanations of each style's creative origins and examples of how combining techniques can create something new and original. T/Th/F; Mornings M/W | All Ages



#### **KATHA: DANCES OF INDIA** Kalapriva

Through enchanting performances of a vast array of styles from classical to Bollywood, three dancers illuminate how storytelling and movement are seamlessly intertwined in the traditions of Indian dance. Please Inquire | All Ages



### RHYTHM INSIDE/OUT

Be the Groove

See full description under Music. M-F | All Ages



### SPAIN'S DANCING RHYTHMS

#### **Ensemble Español Spanish Dance Theater**

Learn about Spanish music and dance through a variety of innovative Spanish ballets, traditional folkloric suites, and fiery flamenco dramas from medieval times to the 21st century, all featuring vibrant costumes.



#### THE HARMONY OF KOREAN DRUMMING δ DANCING

Global Pungmul Institute See full description under Music.



#### THE HEART OF THE STORY **Cerqua Rivera Dance Theatre**

Entertainment

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Through a dynamic variety of dances, audiences will see first hand how movement can tell stories in ways that transcend the limits of words. Featuring rotating pieces from the company's repertoire, this show highlights where different dances come from and the stories they tell.

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M-F, Weekends | All Ages \$75O



### THE ROOTS OF BLACK DANCE IN AMERICA

#### Joel Hall Dancers

Explore the evolution of black dance in America from traditional African to concert jazz dance seen today through dynamic performances and interactive elements. Through the course of the show, audiences will discover how movement and expression can create community.



## VOICE OF DANCE

#### **DanceWorks** Chicago

The connection between dance and the art of selfexpression is expertly demonstrated through diverse contemporary dance pieces that emphasize the power of the unique perspective and personal voice that each person brings to the arts.

Incredibly

Interactive

M-F | All Ages \$750

Highly

Ready to book a Touring Performance? Fill out a Request Form at urbangateways.org/performances.

Contact performances@urbangateways.org or 312.922.0440 with any questions.

Dual

Language





Culturally

Focused

"The Heart of the Story" with Cerqua Rivera Dance Theatre. Photo by Lucas Anti.

"I really enjoy all of Urban Gateways' performances! The quality is consistently high and the students get a chance to see performances from many genres and places around the world."

>> Music Teacher, Peirce Elementary

"We really enjoy the Urban Gateways performances. The variety of offerings is amazing, and our students love the shows. The performers themselves are professional and a pleasure to [work] with. Thank you for all you do."

> >> Administrator, St Catherine-St Lucy Catholic School

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# **TOURING PERFORMANCES** MUSIC

#### AMAZING AFRICA

#### Avodele

See full description under Dance.



#### AMERICAN GROOVE EVOLUTION **Edgar Gabriel's StringFusion**

This unique violin-led band takes audiences on a musical tour through Africa, Asia, and Europe, demonstrating how rhythms from around the world fused in North America to produce jazz, blues, Latin, rock, country, and pop music styles.

Please Inquire | All Ages



#### **BAND OF STEEL: THE COURAGE OF** CREATIVITY

#### Potts & Pans Steelband

A trio showcases a wide variety of musical styles including traditional calypso, classical, and pop, while highlighting the unique history behind the development of the steelpan from Trinidad & Tobago.



#### **CELEBRATION DANCES OF WEST AFRICA**

Soli Performing Arts Company

See full description under Dance. M-F, Weekends | All Ages



#### CHA CHA CHA: LATIN AMERICAN DANCES

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Nelson & Paola Sosa See full description under Dance. M-F | All Ages



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#### DANZAS CEREMONIALES DE MEXICO

#### Nahui Ollin

See full description under Dance.



#### **ENERGIA: ROOTS OF LATIN JAZZ** Contrabanda

This musical journey leads audiences to discover the roots and characteristics of the lively rhythms of Latin jazz music and its relationship to the original American style.

M-F, Weekends | All Ages \$600



#### FANDANGO Son Monarcas

This lively performance explores the rhythms, movement, and melodies of authentic Mexican music and dance, and examines the indigenous, African, and Spanish cultures that have influenced these traditional art forms. M-F, Weekends | All Ages

### \$550

### FLAMENCO: THE MUSIC OF MOVEMENT Flamenco Quartet Project

A solo dancer and trio of musicians showcase the evolution of flamenco and emphasize the importance of collaboration, echoing the way many cultures came together to influence the creation of this Spanish style of music and dance.

Entertainment

Focused

Focused on

**Arts Learning** 





### FOLLOW THE BUTTERFLY

**Chicago Folklore Ensemble** See full description under Theater. M-F, Weekends | Grades PreK-5 \$550 

#### GAME OF WARRIORS: BRAZILIAN CAPOEIRA

Gingarte Capoeira Chicago See full description under Dance. M-F, Weekends | All Ages \$550

### HEARTBEAT OF JAPAN

#### Tsukasa Taiko

Japan's centuries-old culture comes to life in this dynamic music and dance performance. Audiences will be introduced to the thunderous roar of Taiko drums. the grace of classical dance, and stories behind these traditional art forms.

Incredibly

Interactive



Highly

Dual

Language

"Cha Cha Cha: Latin American Dances" with Nelson & Paola Sosa. Photo by Andrew Morrell.

#### HISTORY OF ROCK N' ROLL The Mike Dangeroux Band

This concert explores the significance of rock n' roll in American music, from the early electrified blues of the 1950s all the way to modern rock.

M-F, Weekends | All Ages \$550 E3 /

#### LA BAMBA: LATIN AMERICAN JOURNEY Nelson Sosa

This Latin American musical tour explores how regional music is influenced by geography, culture, and customs. Audiences will be invited to play instruments, clap, and sing along during this rhythmic journey.

M-F | All Ages \$400

#### PLAY THAT FUNKY MUSIC The Mike Dangeroux Band

Everyone will be on their feet dancing when they hear funk classics live in this fun concert performance. M-F, Weekends | All Ages

\$550



Education

**New Show** 

# **TOURING PERFORMANCES** MUSIC

#### RHYTHM INSIDE/OUT Be the Groove

Through pieces that blend movement and music by utilizing unconventional percussion instruments, this high-energy ensemble showcases how rhythm is present everywhere, from the pulse in our bodies to the changing of the seasons.



#### SASSY BRASS

The Chamber Brass Players Quintet

This brass quintet uses exciting and familiar songs to showcase classical, jazz, and popular music over the centuries. Audiences learn about each member of the brass family through participatory instrument demonstrations. M-F, Weekends (2 shows only) | All Ages \$820 (2 shows)

#### SISAI: EXPLORING THE ANDES THROUGH MUSIC

Explore Peru, Bolivia, and Ecuador on a musical and cultural journey guided by musicians born and raised in Ecuador. This performance showcases the uniqueness of Andean culture through song, legend, and glimpses into Andean life.

M-F | All Ages \$600

#### SONGS AND RHYTHMS FOR YOUNG CHILDREN **Carol Weston**

Children will be clapping, singing, and playing small percussion instruments as they are led through both new and familiar songs. The audience will also be introduced to the banjo, guitar, and more.

Please Inquire | Grades PreK-2 \$400

#### THE BIRTHPLACE OF RHYTHM Pulse Beat Music Chicago

Embark on a musical exploration in this percussionbased show featuring music from the Middle East, Africa, Brazil, the Caribbean, and more. Audiences are invited to participate through singing and call and response, guaranteeing an engaging and educational experience.

M-F, Weekends | All Ages \$500 

### THE EVOLUTION OF AFRICAN-AMERICAN MUSIC

#### Bruce Henry & Band

Throughout this entertaining and educational concert, audiences will gain a greater understanding and appreciation of how the many styles of African-American music - from field hollers and jazz to R&B and hip hop - are all connected.

### M-F, Weekends | All Ages



#### THE HARMONY OF KOREAN DRUMMING & DANCING

#### **Global Pungmul Institute**

Captivating artists illuminate the grace and power of traditional Korean drumming and dancing by demonstrating intricate performances including the lion mask dance and sangmo pankut. Harmony and its role in nature and the Korean arts is featured throughout. M-F, Weekends | All Ages





### THE SOUNDS OF SOUL

#### The Mike Dangeroux Band

Featuring music from legends such as Otis Redding and Ray Charles, this show takes audiences on a journey through the progression of this iconic American music style.

M-F, Weekends | All Ages \$550

#### THE UNIVERSAL LANGUAGE OF MUSIC **Radio Free Honduras**

Featuring lively Latin-inspired songs, this diverse collective of musicians expertly demonstrates how music brings people together and showcases the role collaboration can play in creating something entirely unique and exciting.

Incredibly

Interactive

M-F, Weekends | All Ages \$550



"Fandango" with Son Monarcas. Photo by Lucas Anti.

#### WE ARE ONE Animal Farm

This quartet of musicians will have children clapping, singing, and laughing along with their original songs and stories. Their music explores themes of selfexpression, community, and social and emotional learning through the eyes of our friends from the animal kingdom.

M-F, Weekends | Grades PreK-4 \$550 

#### WOMEN OF SONG The Mike Dangeroux Band

This high-energy performance highlights the important roles women have played in music throughout the past century.

M-F, Weekends | All Ages \$550

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**New Show** 

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# **TOURING PERFORMANCES** THEATER



#### 1. 2. 3. STORY! **Jeremy Schaefer**

This fun and high-energy performance uses interactive and original tales to explain how stories are crafted. By the end of the show, audiences will understand how characters, settings, and conflict can be used to create any type of story.

M-F, Weekends | Grades K-5



#### AMAZING SCIENCE OF MAGIC & ILLUSION The Spellbinder

Audience members will be on the edge of their seats as they learn how magic utilizes principles of chemistry and physics to create mystifying illusions and special effects in this mesmerizing show. M-F. Weekends | Grades K-8 \$450  $\frown$ 

#### **BASED ON A TRUE STORY** Jeremy Schaefer

Through dynamic and interactive storytelling, audiences learn how non-fiction stories are as exciting as imagined adventures. True accounts from the storyteller's life proves that each person has their own unique story to share.

M-F, Weekends | Grades K-8 \$400



#### FINDING THE LIGHT INSIDE Mama Edie McLoud Armstrong

Entertainment

Focused

Captivating tales and musical elements come together to inspire audience members to champion positivity and recognize their own individuality. This interactive storytelling performance encourages critical thinking skills while celebrating the unique light that everyone has inside.

Focused on

**Arts Learning** 

M-F, Weekends | Grades K-5 \$450

#### FOLLOW THE BUTTERFLY **Chicago Folklore Ensemble**

Combining international music and traditional stories with environmental themes, a string trio and storyteller explore folklore from around the world. By showcasing how different cultures celebrate our planet, these performers encourage audiences to become stewards of the earth themselves. M-F, Weekends | Grades PreK-5



#### MADE-UP MUSICAL Storytown Improv

Through teamwork and the improvisational rule of "yes, and", an interactive musical is built from scratch. Audiences will help choose the location, design the backdrop, and become characters to create a truly one-of-a-kind show.

M-F, Weekends | Grades PreK-5 \$600 E3(

#### THE MAGIC OF THE SPELLBINDER The Spellbinder

Experience state-of-the-art magic effects choreographed to lively music. The performance includes levitation, live doves, and illusions from around the world.

M-F, Weekends | All Ages \$450 **(**)

## THE MAKE 'EM UPS

**Chicago Improv Productions** 

This high-energy show introduces audiences to the art of improvisation. Audiences identify the who, what, and where of improvised scenes, then join the players on stage to play popular improv games.

M-F, Weekends | All Ages \$500

> Ready to book a Touring Performance? Fill out a Request Form at urbangateways.org/performances.

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#### THE PUPPET PLACE

Lively versions of favorite stories, traditional fairy tales, and original fables filled with fantastical characters and hilarious twists. Choose from Hansel & Gretel, Magic Onion, or Peter Rabbit.

M-F, Weekends | Grades PreK-5 \$400 

#### THE WONDERFUL WORLD OF PUPPETS The Puppet Place

By exploring the historical and cultural uses of puppets, this entertaining and educational show demonstrates the four major puppet groups (hand, shadow, rod, and string/marionette) by using each one in a story from its country of origin.

M-F, Weekends | Grades PreK-5 \$400

#### **TRAVEL TALES** Jeremy Schaefer

Explore the globe with interactive stories about original characters going on epic journeys filled with adventure and learning. Audiences will be reminded of the power of imagination as a tool to travel to faraway and fantastical places.

M-F, Weekends | Grades K-5 \$400

#### VOICES OF CHICAGO: SLAM POETRY Poets with Class

Building on Chicago's unique heritage as the birthplace of slam poetry, a trio of poets brings words to life through their own original work and inspires audiences to create their own versions of Chicago through writing.

M-F, Weekends | Grades 5-12 \$500

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# TOURING PERFORMANCE CONNECTIONS

To help connect arts programming to holidays, heritage months, and special occasions often celebrated by schools and community venues, this page highlights touring performances that tie to themes throughout the year in 2018-19.

Please note that all touring performances can be booked year-round. This list does not indicate each show's availability, but is a tool to integrate our performances with your calendar.

#### **HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH** September 15-October 15

Cha Cha Cha: Latin American Dances Energia: Roots of Latin Jazz Flamenco: The Music of Movement La Bamba: Latin American Journey Sisai: Exploring the Andes Through Music Spain's Dancing Rhythms The Universal Language of Music

#### **BLACK HISTORY MONTH** February

Amazing Africa Celebration Dances of West Africa The Evolution of African-American Music Play That Funky Music The Roots of Black Dance in America The Sounds of Soul

#### ASIAN-AMERICAN AND PACIFIC ISLANDER HERITAGE MONTH May

Chinese Folk & Classical Dance The Harmony of Korean Drumming & Dancing Heartbeat of Japan

CINCO DE MAYO

#### May 5

Danzas Ceremoniales de Mexico Fandango

#### FAMILY READING NIGHT

1, 2, 3 Story! Based on a True Story Finding the Light Inside Made-Up Musical The Make 'Em Ups The Puppet Place Voices of Chicago: Slam Poetry

#### **INTERNATIONAL NIGHT**

Band of Steel: The Courage of Creativity The Birthplace of Rhythm Follow the Butterfly Game of Warriors: Brazilian Capoeira Katha: Stories in Indian Dance Travel Tales The Wonderful World of Puppets

#### ALL-AMERICAN ARTS

American Groove Evolution Breakin' It Down: Hip Hop History History of Rock n' Roll Songs & Rhythms for Young Children

#### EVERYDAY CELEBRATIONS

Amazing Science of Magic & Illusion History of Dance from Ballet to Breakdancing The Heart of the Story The Magic of the Spellbinder Rhythm Inside/Out Sassy Brass Voice of Dance We Are One Women of Song



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"Chinese Folk and Classical Dance" with the Chinese Dance Duo. Photo by Lucas Anti.

# COMMUNITY PARTNERS

Urban Gateways is proud to work with community partners that include youth service organizations, community centers, parks, higher education institutions, treatment facilities, museums, performance venues. and more.

Residencies, Workshops, Professional Development, Touring Performances, and Street Level field trips are all great ways for your organization to engage with Urban Gateways programs. Take a look at the program areas throughout this guide; you can head to our website to fill out an Interest Form for a particular program area, or reach out to start a conversation about how we can work together.

Contact us to discuss how Urban Gateways can partner with your organization: partnerwithus@urbangateways.org or 312.922.0440.

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museum experience with live performances.



#### CONVENIOS DE COMUNIDAD



Urban Gateways worked with the DuSable Museum of African American History to arrange a series of Touring Performances that celebrated Black History Month with museum patrons and school groups, enhancing their Photo by Lucas Anti.

Urban Gateways partnered with Family Focus North Lawndale's summer camp, where young people in the community participated in interactive arts experiences that developed resiliency and encouraged positive social-emotional growth.

Photo by Dee Dee Pacheco.

# URBAN GATEWAYS STREETLEVEL

#### Street Level is Urban Gateways' youth media center located in Chicago's West Town neighborhood at 1637 N Ashland Ave.

Street Level works with young people, whose voices are often underrepresented in the media, to tell their stories through digital art forms.

#### For Schools & Community Partners: Street Level Workshops & Field Trips

Extend learning beyond your space by planning a trip to Street Level! In a workshop-style session, our media arts instructors will work with you and young people from your school or community to create experiential projects using some of the latest technology in audio, video, and more. Field trips are available Monday through Friday 10-11:50am and 12-1:50pm.

#### For Youth

Do you work with young people who may be interested in taking a deeper dive into media arts? Refer them to Street Level and encourage them to become a member (it's free!). During the school year we offer a weekly schedule of free classes, clubs, workshops, podcasts, and more for young people ages 13 to 24, led by our talented media arts instructors.

We strive to make Street Level an inclusive and safe space where all young people interested in digital art forms can thrive, grow, and hang out. All activities take place between 2 to 7pm. In addition to scheduled classes and workshops we provide open lab space, studio access, and wifi.

### STREET LEVEL CLASS SUBJECTS INCLUDE:

• Digital Journalism

Podcasting

• and more!

- Storyboarding for Video
- Songwriting &
- Recording Video Production
- for YouTube





Throughout the 2017-18 school year, students and their teachers from Vaughn Occupational High School spent three hours each Wednesday at Street Level learning video and audio techniques, writing lyrics, and ultimately recording a class song focusing on the theme of "unity." They've been producing collaborative and inspiring work together at Street Level for more than eight years.

Photo by Jess Leonard.



Everyone makes you feel welcome."

"...a place where you can feel safe. It is also a place where you can learn a lot more things you can use in life."

"...acceptance and tolerance of different people; whether it be their race or even their sexuality."





Want to talk about a field trip and options for customizing your experience? Fill out an Interest Form at street-level.org/for-educators or contact info@street-level.org or 773.862.5331.

Check out street-level.org for more info and for youth membership registration, or stop by anytime at 1637 N Ashland Ave Monday through Friday, 2-7pm to take a tour and get to know us!

#### STREET LEVEL

Street Level es nuestro centro de artes digitales en la 1637 N Ashland Ave, donde jóvenes pueden comunicar sus cuentos por medio de grabación de audio, videos, periodismo, y más. Para más información sobre las programas digitales, o preguntar por una visita o taller, contactarnos: info@street-level.org o 773.862.5331.

Recording a podcast in the Editing Room at Street Level. Photo by Street Level Staff.

#### "...a community, really. When you come in everyone makes you feel like family.

>> Ira, Street Level youth participant

>> Thomas, Street Level youth participant

>> Ribo, Street Level youth participant





# URBAN GATEWAYS TEEN ARTS PASS

#### With the Teen Arts Pass (TAP), teens can experience live arts performances all around Chicago for only \$5.

TAP is the newest Urban Gateways initiative launched in May 2018, giving young people ages 13-19 access to \$5 tickets to see professional dance, music, and theater performances all around Chicago. After signing up for free at teenartspass.org, teens will instantly receive a digital card via email with a plastic card arriving in the mail shortly thereafter. Teens then present proof of membership at a participating venue on the day of the show, and as long as it's not sold out, they can purchase a ticket for \$5 cash. It's that easy!

The calendar at **teenartspass.org** highlights all TAP-eligible shows offered by our 25 partners, who are listed in the graphic to the right. Through these discounted tickets, TAP encourages city-wide inclusion of young people in Chicago arts institutions and establishes teens as important members of our society and our audiences. By creating this access point we hope to truly welcome teens into arts spaces and encourage the development of engaged, creative, and open-minded citizens.

Helpful hint: Events with a purple dot on our calendar are companion ticket eligible. That means a TAP member can purchase a second \$5 ticket for anyone, including a non-teen companion like a parent or sibling!







Con la Teen Arts Pass (TAP), adolescentes de años 13-19 pueden atender obras y espectáculos vivos por solo \$5 en lugares de presentación por todas partes de Chicago. Diga a los adolescentes en su vida que pueden registrar gratis por teenartspass.org, o contactarnos para más información: info@teenartspass.org o 312.922.0440.

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