

FERMATA BALLET COLLECTIVE

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Public Call for Volunteers

Fermata Ballet Collective is non-profit 501(c)3 organization in Eugene, OR.

About Fermata Ballet Collective:

FERMATA: symbol: ♯ definition: a pause or hold of unspecified length on a note or rest in musical notation

FBC was founded in June 2020 during the global pandemic and the societal movements that reignited the awareness of persistent racism within eurocentric structures. During this pause and shift in regular arts programming, FBC acted as a refuge for dancers who found their careers and projects on hold, providing opportunities to explore dance art in a respectful manner with a focus on inclusivity. Holding to our namesake of “fermata” meaning “pause”, we will continue to extend our services during the expected and unexpected pauses during a dancer’s career.

FBC’s ongoing mission is to diversify ballet in creating renewed paths within dance pedagogy and collaborative performance opportunities with the goal to safely house artists by acknowledging identity, personal experience, and creating enriching and inclusive programming, workshops, and events for dancers and the community.

Deviating from deeply held norms within traditional ballet environments, FBC will cultivate a collaborative approach with an egalitarian structure, foster an environment of inclusivity, and will not condone discrimination against any individual regarding race, color, ethnicity, nation origin, sex, gender, sexual orientation, pregnancy, appearance, religion, age, or ability or other protected classes.

Volunteer Opportunities for 2024:

August 30, 2024

Assist with Gala preparation & event (setting up chairs, decorating, errands, food and beverage management, greeting, striking, clean up). Volunteers will be able to watch the Gala performance free of charge.

November 30 & December 1, 2024

Assist with Fall Work preparation & performance (posters, program folding, food and beverage management, greeting, striking, clean up). Volunteers will be able to watch the Fall Works performance free of charge.

December 20, 2024

Assist with Shared Space event (guiding visitors to studio, greeting, setting up chairs, errands, clean up). Volunteers will be able to watch the Shared Space performance free of charge.

Qualifications:

- Must be 18 years old by June 1, 2024
- Must firmly believe and act upon the values noted in our mission
- Ability to work collaboratively in an egalitarian, collective-oriented environment, contributing diverse perspectives and ideas to discussions and decision-making processes
- Reliable, punctual, able to communicate effectively in-person as well as through Zoom, Slack, and email

How to Apply:

If you are interested in joining Fermata Ballet Collective as a volunteer, please submit a paragraph of interest outlining your motivation for joining Fermata Ballet Collective, ways in which you can volunteer, and which dates from above that you are available. Applications should be sent to fermat balletcollective@gmail.com by June 1st. We look forward to welcoming dedicated individuals who share our commitment to diversifying ballet and fostering inclusivity in the dance community.

Thank you for your interest in supporting Fermata Ballet Collective's mission!

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