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DESIZED FREEDOM
Choreography: Carmen R. Guynn
Music: L’abeille by Jonatan Szer
Costume Designer: Beverly Sonen

From the first whip that struck the backs of slaves to the knee on one’s neck, the fight for equality and humanity continues through present-day times. Through the trauma and pain, a culture of people strives to keep hope in their souls, rhythm in their steps, and their heart’s desire for freedom.

80%
Choreography: Arica Brown and the members of Junior Company
Dancers: Bronwyn Dorsey, Hannah John, Jo Gerdes, Quinn Dorsey, and Sophia Huddleston
Understudy: Doline Colenburg

The average woman's earnings are at around 80% of the average man's.

I AM.
Choreography: Ashreale McDowell
Music: This Bitter Earth by Dinah Washington/Max Richter
Dancers:
Saturday: Jazzmon Thomas (4:00pm), Coralie-Michele Francois (6:00pm & 8:00pm)
Sunday: Coralie-Michele Francois (4:00pm) and Jazzmon Thomas (6:00pm)

“The most disrespected person in America is the black woman. The most unprotected person in America is the black woman. The most neglected person in America is the black woman.”
-Malcolm X

“DIFFERENCE”
Choreography: Rachel Strader
Music: Patterns by Christophe Filippi
Dancers: Quinn Dorsey, Coralie Francois, Mary Meo, Josephine Starr and Kaitlyn Whiteman

Some are born with everything, some are born with nothing. What you have after that is up to you. For many, creating a life you love feels like you’re moving in slow motion, while for others, the goal isn’t so far away. We may all have an equal shot at creating the life we desire,
but the obstacles that stand in our way range dramatically. That’s the difference.

TOO MUCH. NOT ENOUGH.

Choreography: Kat Norton in collaboration with dancers Cy Coble, Quinn Dorsey, Kevin Lee, Carly Lucas, Mary Meo, Izzy Perry, Madeline Schneider, Josephine Starr

Music: Interlude 1 by alt-J, Darker Things by Lily Kershaw, Tomorrow by Miner

Section 1 - Checked and Unchecked Boxes

For many people, the journey to staying mentally and emotionally well is packaged in a series of checked and unchecked boxes. “If I could just… meditate more often, work out more frequently, sleep more, eat only the right things, drink more water, journal daily, cultivate more friendships, complete more work, lose some weight, take the right vitamins… then I wouldn’t struggle like this.”

Our world is filled with monetized solutions for personal wellbeing. In many ways, this is wonderful because it gives us so many avenues to explore and empowers us to take the lead in our own wellness journeys. But there is a piece of the conversation that is much less talked about.

When we have checked all the boxes; when we have dotted all the “i’s” and crossed all the “t’s”; when we have spent more time trying to get to and maintain that space of wellness than we have actually spent feeling well… Then what?

Section 2 - I’m Doing My Best For You

If we are lucky, we have a support person in our lives that we trust. This is the person we can be messy with. It is the person we can be ugly with. They are our person through good times and bad. But that doesn’t mean that the person we lean on most is not also struggling. This
is a brief interlude of two people who are trying their best - both for themselves and for each other.

Section 3 - The Far Edge of the Storm
Research shows that emotions carry a set amount of energy. The energy behind anger, or fear, or sadness, and even delight, rise to an arc; a high point; a crescendo. And once that peak has been met, the energy will start to fade away - at least, for a little while.
In this scene, we explore staying in the moment of our emotions and acknowledging that inevitable decline of power they can hold over us. The difficult times in our lives won’t always be as hard as they might feel right now. The fear that brings us to panic will run out of steam.
We cannot cry forever. Eventually, the energy behind the emotion dissipates.
When we can plan for this arc of energy behind difficult emotions, we can see the light on the other side. We can see hope. We can hold on a little longer to make it through.

A Call to Action:
Now, more than ever, we must increase the conversation around mental health to change the way people talk about and receive care for overall wellness. Millions of children – as many as 1 in 5 – struggle with mental health. And one in four adults experience a mental health challenge in a given year.

Like most diseases of the body, mental illness has many causes – from genetics to other biological, environmental and social/cultural factors. And just as with most diseases, mental illnesses are no one’s fault.

When we think about cancer, heart disease, or diabetes, we don’t wait years to treat them. We begin with prevention and we try immediately to reverse these symptoms. But did you know that it typically takes ten years from the first time someone has mental health concerns until they get a correct diagnosis and proper treatment?

The mental health crisis is fueled by a pervasive and devastating stigma, preventing millions of individuals from being able to seek the critical treatment they need. Many people struggle to cover the high out of pocket costs tied to specialized support services, prescription medications, and recommended dietary supplements and supporting therapeutic services.

There are also many social and cultural barriers that prevent individuals from accessing care. Stigma, misinformation, shame and fear remain as significant roadblocks to these life saving and life changing supports. Our children deserve better. We deserve better.
We envision a world in which mental health is not associated with shame or judgment and all people feel empowered to openly discuss and address their individual mental health needs.

Mental wellness must be accepted as a critical part of overall health. All people are deserving of care that is inclusive of prevention services, early identification, intervention for those at risk, and integrated care supports for those who need them, with recovery as the goal.

We must act together to end the silence, reduce stigma, push for more accessible mental health care options, and engage our community to inspire hope at this essential moment.

Links to Resources:
Mental Health Coalition
Nami
MHA
Child Mind Institute
Bring Change to Mind
The Trevor Project
DIVISION
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Music: Poetry by Rachel Aalyiah Jackson

Costume provided by dancers.

Special thanks to Kevin Lee for his ongoing collaboration.

Young poet Rachel Aaliyah Jackson’s poem “÷” (“Division”) examines the literal and figurative divides of race and class as symbolized by the Delmar divide. As a native St. Louisan, she states that she has grown up witnessing segregation and the poem is a call to embrace differences. Jackson is a student at Webster University majoring in Music and Audio Engineering. The recent graduate of Metro High School was a finalist in the Teen Talent Competition, held each year at the Fox Theatre. “I want people to hear my voice not just as a black woman, but as a daughter, a mental health advocate, a leader, and poet,” says Jackson.

This piece is made possible by the The Arts & Faith St. Louis through a commission by an anonymous donor.

To view the full poem, scroll/flip to the end of the program.
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Decades of studies indicate that serious health issues (like cancer, infertility, and asthma) are on a rise and due in some part to our ongoing exposure to toxic chemicals.

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With 9+ years of experience, Nicole has built an amazing career in the beauty industry. She has traveled nationally to study her craft, service wedding parties, work on stage productions, and to work with celebrities. Even though she has worked with many celebrities, Nicole prides herself on making all women look and feel red carpet ready. As an artist, Nicole specializes in natural yet glamorous makeup looks. Her clients are always impressed with how clean their makeup is and how long it lasts. Her favorite part of her business is helping women glow from within and exude confidence through their enhanced beauty. An appointment with Nicole is rarely just about makeup. As a woman of God Nicole avails herself to be a vessel. As she is led- she will pour into, encourage, and even pray with her clients when needed. She cherishes the connection she has with her clientele.

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DIVISION.
Makes me think about separate but equal
Look it up
Even its sign resembles some type of hierarchy
Draw it up
It’s repeatedly subtracting black bodies from my city
‘Cause ever since Micheal Brown STL ain’t been too pretty
It why you won’t listen to this young black woman’s voice
These words fall from my lips, I call it music, you call it noise
But don't pity me
‘Cause I am the epitome
Of a life doing a 360
That's just... division
But life taught me about hope
Life taught me that St. Louis city ain’t gotta struggle no more
Once I gave my heart to Yahweh
He gave me new opportunities
I'm no longer following Yall’s Way
It’s God’s Way
Is what separated a sinner(center) from a point guard you see
The ball is in God’s hand
I’m posted up
So He can dish it to me

Listen to me
Helping my city is a mission to me
In addition to thee
Transition to be
The better me
Expeditiously
Focusing on expanding unity
In my community you see

Division

To be honest, we’re more divided than ever
Different religions and race
Hating is truly what’s bringing us together
But I got faith in us
The first step to building a new foundation is trust
Hand in Hand one step at a time we must
Learn how to love ourselves and forgive the past
Let’s recycle positive energy and throw negativity into the trash
At last, I must ask
Where do you see yourself in five years?
Will you still be the same person or have you overcame your fears?

Let’s talk Division

But it’s all about Unity

I know you hear the repetition in my poem
But sometimes it’s hard not to get violent like Malcolm
X-MAn here comes the Storm
Ing the capital
After that, I had to take a sabbatical
Tryna register all this collateral
Damage to my country

While I was focusing on school
Some of my peers thought it was funny
But I’m not here to talk about politics
I’m here to talk about harmony
Like the time I fell in love with music at the Powell symphony
I watched as the conductor lifted his hands
before the music began
I felt at peace

His right hand danced leading the beat of the orchestra
But it was something about the left hand that made me feel free
Like Leonard Berntstien
The music moved me
It was magical like Carlos Kleiber
I listened to the harmonies, I listened to the unison and I listened to the love,
Even though each instrument was different it sounded beautiful
Let’s talk about Unity

With my poetry, I want to be the conductor
I understand that each one of y'all is different
But all you have to do is take a second and listen

Listen to the words that fall from my lips
Listen to my words that I call music
Listen to the voices that were once quiet
Listen to the people and listen to the riots
Listen

Listen and try to understand each other
Unity is about accepting our differences
That’s what make orchestras and symphonies so beautiful
Despite the division, they manage to still come together
When we come together we can create harmony

UPCOMING EVENTS:

CKDC KIDS PERFORM AT AMBUSH HALFTIME
NOV. 26 | 5:00PM | THE FAMILY ARENA

STUDENT BLACK AND WHITE DANCE CONCERT
DEC. 3 - 5 | 4:00-6:00PM | THE MARCELLE

CKDC KIDS PERFORM AT CWE WINDOW WALK
DEC. 4 | NOON

COMPANY AUDITIONS
JAN. 8 | 10:00AM - 12:30PM | CKDC
Our mission is to make dance accessible to all and expose the healing art of movement to our communities.

Our vision is to use our unlimited passion for movement to build a diverse and welcoming community rooted in wellness and equity.

CKDC is an arts community that reflects the diverse identities of the residents of St. Louis and its surrounding region. We demonstrate and practice a commitment to racial and cultural equity through the dance styles we offer, by fusing different dance styles into our works, and by centering diversity in hiring teaching artists and company members. We are committed to using dance to incubate a compassionate shared experience with creative practices that center and celebrate diverse cultures, and to make classes and performances accessible to those who are marginalized by systemic economic oppression and neglect.

Through both our concerts and through our organizational mission and vision, CKDC hopes to model how every single person has the power to create change, even when it doesn’t seem possible. More importantly, we seek to continue using dance and performance arts as vehicles for community organizing, culture-shifting, and public activism. We believe that not only is dance a catalyst for life in motion, but that dance can cultivate change on a larger scale, impact business practices, and encourage community members of all backgrounds and experiences towards social action.

Consuming Kinetics Dance Company is a Kranzberg Arts Foundation Resident and a member of the .ZACK Incubator.