



# WE MAKE SPACE FOR ART

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## **CulturalDC Announces the Launch of Space4**



**WASHINGTON, DC** – CulturalDC continues to bring vibrant performing and visual art to the front steps of DC neighborhoods with the launch of Space4. By outfitting a portable shipping container as a multi-functional space for art and by partnering with unconventional venues across the city, Space4 ensures that communities experience and engage in groundbreaking works. This initiative is the evolution of the company's critically acclaimed Flashpoint Gallery and Mead Theatre Lab Programs which have become hallmarks of CulturalDC's brand over the last 18 years.

*Space4: Performing Art* will expand CulturalDC's unique mission to identify, mentor, and present emerging artists and arts organizations in the fields of theatre, music, dance, film, and interdisciplinary work. By partnering with unexpected venues across the city, including Blind Whino SW Arts Club and Dupont Underground, *Space4: Performing Art* will connect with DC residents through dynamic, innovative performance experiences.

*Space4: Visual Art* will continue CulturalDC's strong history of presenting cutting edge artwork and emerging artists through a mobile container gallery. Artists will be invited to transform a fully-outfitted 40ft shipping container into an immersive environment. The container will move across the city for the 2017-2018 season, with a new exhibit in every neighborhood it visits.

CulturalDC will debut *Space4: Visual Art's* mobile container gallery and *Space4: Performing Art* at the Blind Whino SW Arts Club in September 2017. The programs will launch alongside an exhibition in Blind Whino's gallery of work by upcoming Space4 artists for the 2017-2018 season.

Community members, art-lovers, and art-makers alike can help make the Space4 vision of a mobile art gallery a reality by participating in CulturalDC's Indiegogo campaign. Every dollar donated during

the campaign will go directly to the purchase and build out of the shipping container. Contributors will receive fun, unique incentives at each giving level.

Following the successful VISIONDC, Space4 is CulturalDC's next bold step in connecting Washingtonians around art and artists. Hosted in April of this year, VISIONDC brought together over 600 artists, developers, policy-makers, DC residents, and large and small business owners for a day-long Arts and Urban Innovation Summit. Attendees left the summit inspired to grow DC's creative economy, with creative collaborations and progressive new ventures emerging throughout the day.

### **About CulturalDC**

CulturalDC has an 18-year history of creating affordable, sustainable artist spaces in the Washington, D.C., area. CulturalDC has brokered more than 250,000 square feet of artist space, including the Atlas Performing Arts Center, GALA Hispanic Theatre, Source Theatre and Woolly Mammoth Theatre. Each year, CulturalDC serves more than 1,000 artists and welcomes 30,000 audience members and participants who patronize local businesses and contribute an estimated \$1 million to the local economy.

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