

Dear Choreographer,

The Producers of *Still Inspired(?)* welcome you to participate in an opportunity to showcase your work on dance students in the production of *Still Inspired(?) Future Artists* on Sunday, February 4th in Chicago!

Still Inspired(?) is a dance performance showcasing the inspirations of multiple independent dance artists exploring the work of visual artists. The performance attempts to share visions within the realm of art between “still” and “live.”

Each student choreographer in *Still Inspired(?) Future Artists* will present their dance piece inspired by a painting/drawing they independently choose. The intention is to take visual art to a new place by exploring the depths of still artwork through live dance.

Still Inspired(?) Future Artists also questions our current societal views of art as an outlet for creation, enlightenment, and education. With ever-changing advancements and the drive towards immediate satisfaction in our fast-paced technological world, can we as a society still be inspired by the patience and virtue of art as an alternate means of communication?

The professional installment of *Still Inspired(?)* will take place on Friday and Saturday evening, February 2nd & 3rd in Chicago. We welcome choreographers of *Still Inspired(?) Future Artists* to attend the performance for free (1 complimentary ticket per choreographer).

Please review the application and requirements on the following pages. Should you have any questions upon completion of the review of this application, please contact *Still Inspired(?)* Co-Producer via email at: laura1@ameritech.net.

Happy Creating to you!

Sincerely,

Laura Thurston/Co-Producer

Still Inspired (?) Future Artists

Choreographer Name: _____ **Age:** _____

Email: _____

Where Do You Study Dance?: _____

Artist/Title of chosen painting: _____

Link to Chosen Artwork: _____

(Please attach either email or letter verification from your chosen artist that states you were given permission to use their artwork, and that they will provide you with a high-resolution image of the chosen artwork you are presenting. Artwork will be presented to the audience via projection).

Title of Dance: _____

Title of Music/Composer: _____

List of Performers/Ages (Example: Sarah Smith/15):

Briefly describe your approach to this piece. Use additional paper if necessary:

Requirements For Entry

Age

All participants of *Still Inspired(?) Future Artists* must be at least 14 years of age.

Waivers

All choreographers and performers of *Still Inspired(?) Future Artists* are required to submit the attached waiver. Completed waivers with signatures must be submitted with all applications.

Contacting/ Obtaining Permission From Artist

Please show either email or signed letter verification from your chosen artist that states you have permission to use the artwork you've selected. Artists can be students or professionals. Please share the following link: www.stillinspireddance.com/future-artists in your email when reaching out, especially when the artist is unknown to you. This will help to confirm the project's authenticity. Do not forget to share the location/date of *Still Inspired(?) Future Artists*:

Location: Dovetail Studios
2853 W Montrose Ave
Chicago, IL 60618

Date: February 4th, 3pm Performance

Studio Mentor

It is highly recommended that you intermittently work with an instructor at your school to receive feedback on your work. This is not a requirement, but please note that receiving feedback from experienced professionals will provide you with better insight and a more successful outcome.

Entry Fee: \$25

Entry fees assist the overall production costs and are charged "per entry."

Application Deadline

All requirements for entry must be completed and submitted via email to Laura Thurston at: laura1@ameritech.net no later than Tuesday, November 1st, 2016. Entry fee checks must also be postmarked and mailed no later than Wednesday, November 1st, 2017. Entry Fees will be collected upon accepted application/applications.

Liability Waiver and Acknowledgment of Risk

I, _____, Parent/Guardian for _____ (write "myself" if 18+) hereby understand and agree that there is a possibility of physical injury and/or death while participating in any dance class, workshop, rehearsal and/or performance. I voluntarily agree, therefore, to assume all risks and responsibility for any such injury or accident, which might occur to me during any of the Still Inspired (?) (hereinafter referred to as "The Project") classes, workshops, rehearsals, performances and/or other activities. I further agree and understand that the project has no responsibility for students outside the premises of Stage 773 located at: 1225 W. Belmont Ave., Chicago, IL 60657.

I also exempt, release, and indemnify the project, its owners, agents, volunteers, assistants, employees, guest artists, faculty members, and/or students from any and all liability claims, demands or causes of action whatsoever from any damage, loss, injury and/or death to my child which may arise out of or in connection with participation in any classes, workshops, rehearsals, performances and/or activities conducted by The Project.

I further hereby voluntarily agree to waive my rights and that of my heirs and assigns to hold The Project, its owners, agents, volunteers, assistants, employees, guest artists, faculty members and/or students liable for such damage, loss, injury and/or death.

I have read, understood and agree to be bound by the above statements.

Name (Or Legal Guardian)

Date