

Ms. Afrika Abney
Professional Dancer and Dance Consultant

Ms. Afrika Abney has provided professional dance consulting services for numerous small businesses, dance studios, and non profits. She uses her formal training and education in the area of dance to provide workshops, performances, and offer instruction. Ms. Abney has developed great expertise in maintaining a productive classroom environment and dance studio.

Some of them include African Heritage Dancers and Drummers, Memory of African Culture, Soul in Motion Players, Inc, Malcolm X Drummers and Dancers, Akoma Drummers, M.O.M.I.E.S. TLC, Bele Bele Rhythm Collective, Young Women's Drumming Empowerment, Joy of Motion Dance Center, and Balafon Women's Ensemble.

SELECTED DANCE CONSULTANT PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

DANCE CONSULTANT. Malcolm X Drummers and Dancers. 2007 - 2020.provided an array of services for Doc Powell, founder of the Malcolm X Drummers and Dancers.Some of them include flyer designing, photography, press release, email marketing, website management, social media management, and social media marketing.

AFRICAN DANCE INSTRUCTOR. Roda Movements, Takoma Park, M.D.. 2015 - 2015. Taught a group of young children ages 7 - 9. Students learned a variety of West African Dances, cultural and historical context for each dance with a 1/2 hour warm-up, and energetic dance movements. Students learned a variety of West African Dances, cultural and historical within the context for each dance.

WEST AFRICAN DANCE INSTRUCTOR. M.O.M.I.E.S TLC and YWDEP, Washington, DC. SUMMER 2015 Kingdom Kids Care, Washington, DC. Provided West African dance instruction to a group of students for a Summer Camp program such as M.O.M.I.E.S. TLC and Y.W.D.E.P. Students learned a variety of West African Dances, cultural and historical context for each dance with a 1/2 hour warm-up, and energetic dance movements. Students learned a variety of West African Dances, cultural and historical within the context for each dance. Also provided instruction for students at several other organizations including Kingdom Kids Care, Washington, DC. (July 3, 2013 - July 17, 2013) Hyde Addison Elementary School (May 18, 2013)

SUBSTITUTE DANCE INSTRUCTOR. Joy of Motion Dance Center, Washington, DC. August 2013. Provided dance instruction to students grades 9 -12 in the absence of the studio teacher for the World Intensive Summer Camp.

SUBSTITUTE DANCE INSTRUCTOR. Joy of Motion Dance Center, Washington, DC. 2013 - 2015. Provided dance instruction to children and adults in the absence of the studio teacher. Taught Samba Fusion - All Levels and Afro Beats - All Levels.

AFROBEAT, a dance class that includes a fusion of modern and African upbeat combinations to Nigerian music, inspired by FELA! the musical.

Samba Fusion, a dance workout that brings the benefits of basic samba/axe drills and steps to tone muscles.

SUBSTITUTE AFRICAN DANCE PRE - PROFESSIONAL INSTRUCTOR. The Dance Institute of Washington (DIW) Washington, D.C. 2010 - 2012. Provided West African Dance Classes for the Pre-Professional Program targeted for ages 12-21 on Wednesdays.

DANCE PERFORMANCE CREDENTIALS (PARTIAL LISTING)

NationHouse, Bowie State University, Georgetown University Law School, Lincoln Theatre, Marcus Garvey Public Charter School, Martin Luther King Library, Adams Morgan Day Festival, Dance Place, Cada Vez, The Black Family Reunion Celebrati

PAST COMMUNITY CAREER DAY DANCE WORKSHOPS

2011 - 2016. H.D. Cooke Elementary School, Washington, DC. (invited by Ms. Olaminde Gbenro)

2016. Roots PCS, Washington, DC. (invited by Principal Bernida Thompson)