



Hubbard Street Dance Chicago

Student Matinee Educational Resources for Teachers

Student Matinee Program Information

- Hubbard Street Dance Chicago will perform sections of a contemporary dance piece entitled *BUSK* — choreography by Azure Barton.
- The company will engage students in a Brain Dance — a series of movements designed to integrate brain and body connection.
- There will be a brief Question & Answer session for students with the dancers.

Suggested Learning Target

Students will identify the elements of contemporary dance and interpret these elements in a live dance performance with Hubbard Street Dance Chicago.

- [Hubbard Street Dance Chicago Engagement Guide](#) (37 slides of dance vocabulary, photo/video visuals, and interactive elements for all grade levels.)
 - » MN State Create & Perform & Connect Standards

Pre-Show Questions:

- Have you been to a live dance performance before? If so, what kind of dance was performed and what did you take away from that experience?
- What do you know about contemporary dance? What do you want to learn about contemporary dance?

Post-Show Questions:

- How did you feel watching the dancers perform? Describe an image or shape in the performance that you thought was interesting.
- Would you like to see more dance performances? Why or why not?
- Why is dance important?

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Resources For Grades 5-8

Do

- [Kids Exercise / Warm Up / Energizer](#) (5-minute animated video students can follow along with to warm up and energize.)
- [Brain Dance with Jessica DiLorenzo](#) (4-minute video that goes step by step through a Brain Dance.)
 - » MN State Perform Standards

Resources For Grades 9-12

Read

- The Kennedy Center - [Do You Wanna Dance? Understanding the Five Elements of Dance](#) (Article with video clips.)
 - » This article explores the five elements of dance: body, action, space, time, energy.
- [A Brief History of Contemporary Dance](#) (Article with video clips.)
 - » Article that walks through the origins of contemporary dance, introduces important people and video clips to demonstrate the qualities of contemporary dance.
 - » MN State Connect Standards

Watch

- [Inside the Studio: *BUSK* by Aszure Barton | Season 44](#) (5-minute video.)
- [Behind the Scenes of Aszure Barton's *BUSK*](#) (3-minute video.)
 - » These short videos introduce Aszure Barton, the choreographer of *BUSK* and describe her inspirations for the piece.

Do

- [Total Beginner Contemporary Dance Routine](#) - Ti & Me TV (10-minute video.)
 - » MN State Perform Standards