# CAMILLE V. WEANQUOI

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# **ACADEMIC BACKGROUND**

- *Master of Fine Arts in Choreography* Wilson College Chambersburg, Pennsylvania Degree Received: May 2023
- •Bachelor of Arts in Dance University of North Carolina at Greensboro Greensboro, North Carolina Degree Received: May 2008
- Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary Studies with concentration on Psychology and Minor in Elementary Education – Winston-Salem State University, Winston-Salem, North Carolina Degree Received: May 2005

# SELECTED TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 2023 Present: Assistant Professor of Dance, Coppin State University Teach dance courses on the undergraduate level to dance majors and non-dance majors.
- 2020 2023: Guest Teacher, Towson University, Towson, MD Taught virtually & in-person Dunham Technique 1.5 2 hour Master Classes throughout the Fall and Spring Semesters to dance majors and non-majors.
- 2014 2023: Dance Teacher and Recreational Program Director, N'Ferno Performing Arts Center, Randallstown, Maryland

I taught Ballet, West African, Dunham Technique, Jazz, and Modern to children aged 4 to 18 years old, Beginner to Intermediate level. I prepare progressive lessons that culminate in an end-of-the-year performance. I offered private lessons focused on technique and conditioning throughout the school year. I choreograph some dances for the novice and intermediate lyrical, modern, and jazz competition teams (solos, duets, and groups). I also worked with the youth pre-professional dance company, preparing them for repertory work and pre-professional dance training in preparation for future careers in the dance world. As a program director, I did a portion of the office work and managed the social media presence for the studio. I was the liaison between the parents and teachers, handling all communication & their needs. I arranged the class schedules, major events at the studio, and the annual shows.

# SELECTED CHOREOGRAPHIC EXPERIENCE

#### • 2023

-- The Way Forward

Camille W. Dance & Co

Premiere: March 18, 2023, Evening Length Concert, Creative Alliance

#### · 2021 - 2022

--Mother's Garden

Premiere: July 2022, Dance Film

--Matriarch

Premiere: October 2021, Creative Alliance

#### · 2020

Righteous Rage = Righteous Change – Performed by Kerryaunna Ross

Music: Camille Weanquoi

Premiere: October 30, 2020 - Fall Dance Concert, Lindenwood University Dance Program

J. Scheidegger Center of the Arts – St. Charles, MO

# • 2019

Battle Cry of Assata - Performed by Camille V. Weanquoi/Akani Collective

Music: Toukan Trikk Trikk Dub Mix by Manoo and Raou K featuring Ahmed Sosso with the protest

chant by VCU students. Sound Score arranged by Camille Weanquoi

Premiere: February 2019 - Peabody Dance! Festival

Miriam A. Friedberg Concert Hall – Baltimore, Maryland

Still No Promise Land - Performed by N'Ferno Performing Arts Center, Modern 2A Class

Music: Dinah Washington and Interview of Martin Luther King, Jr.

Premiere: June 2019

Annual Recital Gordon Center - Owings Mills, Maryland

#### • 2012

PrepareAscendFly
Music: Cold Play

Premiere: January 27, 2012 – The Theatre Project, Baltimore, Maryland

#### • 2010

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Music: Fela Kuti

Premiere: August 2010 - Creative Alliance, Baltimore, Maryland

# **SELECTED PERFORMANCE EXPERIENCE**

- 2019 Peabody Dance Festival, Dance Festival, Akani Collective
- 2013 37th Annual Dorothy P. Stanley Scholarship Fund Dance Festival Concert, Keur Khaleyi African Dance Company
- **2012** *AKIMBO Baltimore, Site Specific Dance Show,* The Collective *The Collective presents SHORTS, Dance Concert,* The Collective
- **2011** *aLIVE! Dance Concert*, The Collective *The Collective: Stripped Down, Annual Concert*, The Collective

# DANCE TRAINING/PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

#### • 2018 - Present

Dunham Technique Teacher Certification Candidate – Institute of Dunham Technique Certification --Studying under Dunham Certified Master Teachers: Penny Godboldo, Janice Blunt, Rachel Tavernier, and Patricia Wilson.

#### • 2018 – Present

KanKouran West African Dance Company's 36th, 38th, & 39th Annual Conference – Attendee

#### • 2005 - 2008

University of North Carolina at Greensboro- Greensboro, North Carolina

-Studied under Amy Beasley, Duane Cyrus, Karla Coghill, Jan Van Dyke, Robin Gee, Eluza Santos, B.J. Sullivan and others.

Undergraduate Degree Work: Intermediate/Advanced Level Ballet, Modern, Contemporary, Jazz, West African, Improv, Choreography, Dance Education Courses, and Repertory classes.

# • 1992 - 2000

Harlem School of the Arts – New York, New York

-Studied under Kim Grier, Rod Rodgers, Urban Bush Woman, Keith Lewis, Imani Faye, Frances Rhymes, Cynthia Shipley, Dmitri Povoloskty, Yvonne Curry, and Stephanie Rae Parker. Pre-professional work in Ballet, Modern, Jazz, Tap, Congolese, West African, Afro-Cuban, Flamenco, and Professional Repertory classes