

Beauty for Ashes – An Enrichment Center

Beauty for Ashes Contemporary School of Dance (BFACSD) is a performing arts educational organization and enrichment center. Both build bridges of understanding through the presentation, instruction and celebration of fine arts, focusing on under-served communities while also addressing the broader public. As an independent non-profit organization, the mission of BFACSD is twofold: to educate and enrich the knowledge of others in the realm of fine arts. BFACSD is owned by Mr. David Riddick. BFACSD has a five-member board panel and the board president is Mr. Marshall Swiney. BFACSD currently employees 6 personnel and has 50 students that attend classes.

The primary component of BEAUTY FOR ASHES CONTEMPORARY SCHOOL OF DANCE is educational. It addresses primarily under-served communities of the Hampton Roads, VA, region. Special attention is given to the needs and goals of younger members of these communities, providing them with the tools of discipline, respect, integrity, creativity and a focused work attitude, regardless of economic or social background. This emphasis is understood as vital to the health and well-being of the community at large.

We provide the following services:

- Stem Classes and Workshops - link picture to the activities
- Anatomy Kinesiology, Yoga Mindfulness
- Music and dance education
- Nutrition,
- College Prep
- Academic counseling
- After- School Program
- Summer workshops and internships in fine arts and business
- Mentoring
- Community Outreach

Our operating hours are:

- Monday – Friday 10:00 am – 8:30pm
- Saturday: 8:00am – 1:00pm
- Sunday: 1:00pm – 2:00pm

The building that we are looking to relocate to is The Central United Methodist Church located on 225 Chapel Street, Hampton, VA. The Central United Methodist Church is owned by The United Methodist Conference and part of the Virginia Methodist Church but has a seven-member trustee panel who are responsible for making the decision that effect the church. The total square footage of the building is 32,688 and of that total number we will be utilizing 4,100 square feet which will have 11 rooms. There are 65 parking spaces and two entrance/exits out of the parking lot. Children will be dropped off and picked up by their parents in their own personal vehicles. Parents will pick up and drop off on Lee Street.

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