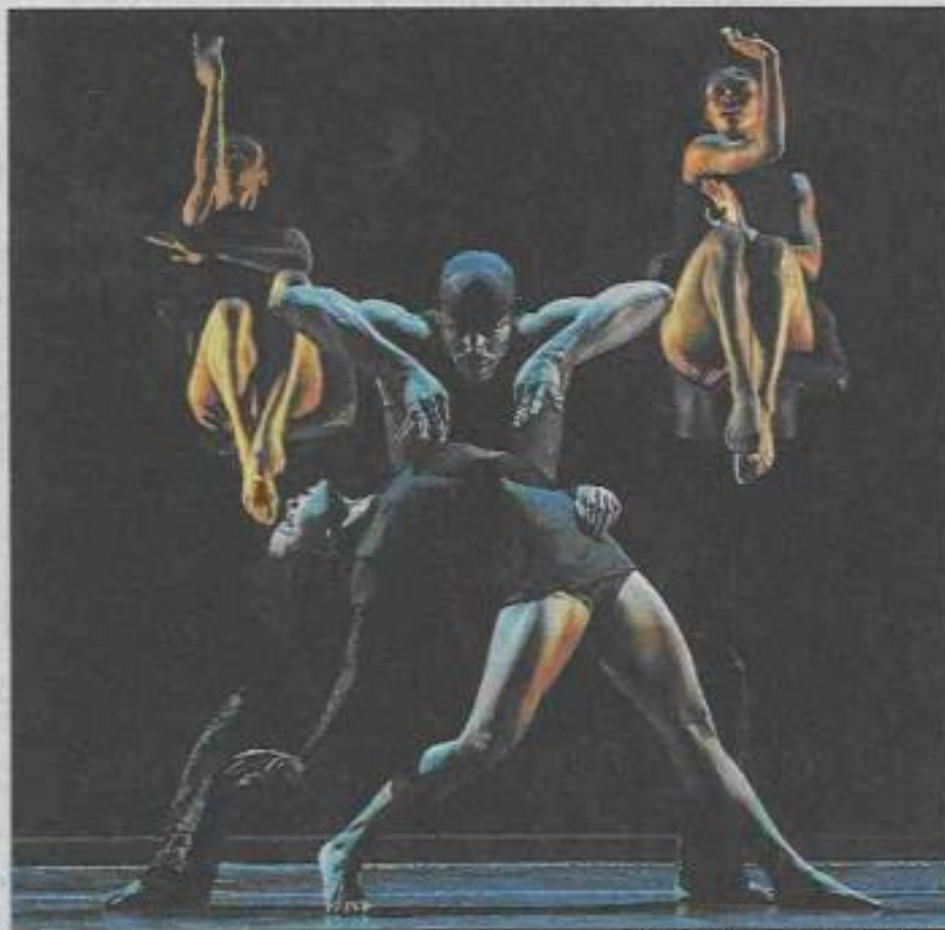


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Alvin Ailey Announces New City Center Season

Jamar Roberts (center right, with Jacquelin Harris), a dancer with Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater, will take the leap from performer to choreographer next season with the premiere of "Members Don't Get Weary," his first piece for the company. Ailey announced on Wednesday that the work would debut in the troupe's annual season at City Center, running Nov. 29 through Dec. 31.

"Members Don't Get Weary," Mr. Roberts said in a statement, is "a response to the current social landscape in America."

The work will have its premiere on Dec. 8.

On Dec. 1, the Ailey dancers will perform another new work, "Victoria," by the Spanish choreographer Gustavo Ramírez Sansano. Other productions include Twyla Tharp's 1983 "The

Golden Section," set to music by David Byrne; Jawole Willa Jo Zollar's "Shelter" (1988); and Talley Beatty's "Stack Up" (1983), celebrating the centennial of that choreographer's birth next year.

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