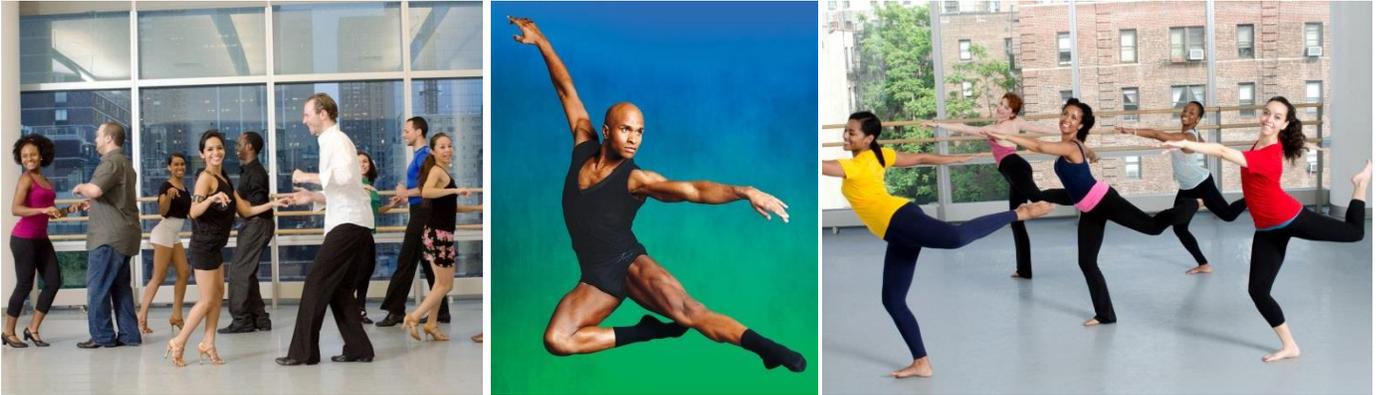


# THE AILEY EXTENSION

## The Ailey Extension Heats Up This Summer With Performance Workshops and Master Classes



Salsa at the Ailey Extension, photo by Kyle Froman; Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater's Glenn Allen Sims, photo by Andrew Eccles; Horton at the Ailey Extension, photo by Kyle Froman. (CTRL + CLICK ON PHOTOS FOR HI-RES DOWNLOAD) Please Credit Photos.

**(New York) July 8, 2015**—The Ailey Extension heats up this summer with unique **master classes** and exciting **performance workshops** which culminate in a concert at the Ailey Citigroup Theater. These summer exclusives complement the program's regular classes, which total over 80 per week in 25 diverse dance and fitness techniques. So whether you prefer the stage or the studio, there is something for you at the Ailey Extension.

Beginning this month, the Ailey Extension will offer five performance workshops for advanced beginner students who want to refine their skills and take their talents to the stage. All workshops will participate in the culminating performances at the **Ailey Citigroup Theater** on **Saturday, August 22 at 3:00pm & 7:00pm**. Workshops include:

- [Contemporary Latin Jazz Fusion with Sekou McMiller](#), **Thursdays and Saturdays, July 16 – August 16**: Learn a vibrant blend of urban, contemporary, and jazz choreography set to Latin grooves.
- [Salsa with Baila Society](#), **Fridays and Wednesdays, July 19 – August 21**: Students will learn moves that are sure to turn heads on the dancefloor.
- [Jazz with Jeffrey Bynum](#), **Mondays and Wednesdays, July 27 – August 19**: Based on the principles of traditional jazz dance, this workshop will highlight styles of choreographers like Alvin Ailey, Talley Beatty and George Faison, to name a few.
- [Horton with Karen Arceneaux](#), **Tuesdays and Thursdays, July 28 – August 20**: Learn the fundamentals of the dance technique featured in Alvin Ailey's classic works, including his masterpiece, *Revelations*.
- [Ballet with Dawn Hillen](#), **August 4 – 20** (days vary): This workshop will focus on technique, stamina, and musicality, while encouraging grace and precision.

The Ailey Extension will also offer three unique master classes led by premier artists in each technique. On **Saturday, July 18 at 11:00am**, get an intense workout while learning the fundamentals of bellydance at the [SharQui Bellydance Workout Workshop](#) with technique creator Oreet. On **Saturday, July 25 (National Dance Day) at 10:30am**, [Bollywood Meets Bhangra](#) when *So You Think You Can Dance* Bollywood choreographer Nakul Dev Mahajan and Masala Bhangra founder Sarina Jain join forces for a one-of-a-kind class for students of all levels. And on **Friday, August 7 at 7:00pm**, acclaimed Ailey dancer [Glenn Allen Sims](#) will lead an advanced beginner level [Contemporary-Modern Master Class](#) emphasizing contemporary movement, while interweaving Graham, Horton, Limon, and Taylor techniques.

Other scorching summer exclusives include a [Guest Artist Series Horton class](#) with Ailey II Artistic Director [Troy](#)

[Powell](#) on Tuesdays at 6:30pm from July 14 – August 25, and [Hearts of Men](#), Frederick Earl Mosley’s two-week workshop from August 23 – September 4, 11:00am – 5:00pm, designed to unite male dancers of all ages and backgrounds, and to broaden the artistic experience. Hearts of Men will culminate in performances at the **Ailey Citigroup Theater** on **Saturday, September 5 and Sunday, September 6**.

These red hot workshops and classes take place at the beautiful Ailey Studios in the Joan Weill Center for Dance – New York’s largest building dedicated to dance. For the complete schedule of “real classes for real people” visit [aileyextension.com](http://aileyextension.com).

For additional press materials including photos, video, and class descriptions visit [pressroom.alvinailey.org/the-ailey-extension](http://pressroom.alvinailey.org/the-ailey-extension).

### **AILEY EXTENSION SUMMER PERFORMANCE WORKSHOPS**

#### **Contemporary Latin Jazz Fusion with Sekou McMiller**

Thursdays, July 16 – August 13 at 8:00pm

Sundays, August 9 & 16 at 4:30pm

#### **Salsa with Baila Society**

Wednesdays & Fridays, July 19 – August 21 at 7:00pm

#### **Jazz with Jeffrey Bynum**

Mondays & Wednesdays, July 27 – August 19 at 8:00pm

#### **Horton with Karen Arceneaux**

Tuesday, July 28, August 4 & 18 at 8:00pm

Thursdays, July 30, August 13 & 20 at 7:00pm

Sunday, August 9 at 1:00pm

#### **Ballet with Dawn Hillen**

Tuesdays & Thursdays, August 4 – 20 at 7:30pm

Saturdays, August 8 & 15 at 6:00pm

Sundays, August 9 & 16 at 4:30pm

*All performances workshops are \$200/person*

### **MASTER CLASSES**

#### **SharQui: The Bellydance Workout® Workshop with Oreet**

Saturday, July 18 at 11:00am / \$50 (\$45 before July 11)

#### **Bollywood Meets Bhangra Master Class with Nakul Dev Mahajan and Sarina Jain**

Saturday, July 25 at 10:30am / \$30 (\$25 before July 18)

#### **Contemporary-Modern Master Class with Glenn Allen Sims**

Friday, August 7 at 7:00pm / \$25

### **OTHER SUMMER HIGHLIGHTS**

#### **Hearts of Men**

Sunday, August 23– Friday, September 4, 11:00am–5:00pm / \$100

#### **Guest Artist Series: Troy Powell**

Tuesdays, July 14 – August 25 at 6:30pm / \$19 per class

For more information on group visits or to schedule your trip, visit the group visits page [here](#).

Since its inception in 2005, The Ailey Extension has fulfilled Mr. Ailey’s life-long commitment of bringing dance to everyone by offering “real classes for real people.” The Ailey Extension offers of over 80 classes per week in more than 25 different dance and fitness techniques such as [Ballet](#), [West African](#), [Samba](#), [Jazz](#), [Zumba](#), [House](#) and [Hip Hop](#). All levels are welcome, including beginners! Over 86,000 people have taken classes at Ailey’s home, New York’s largest building dedicated to dance, where dancers of all levels and walks of life can learn and be inspired – body, mind, and spirit!

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