

January company Showcase performance

Each year in January our company performers star in a special performance. We have presented shows titled “Coming Home” (2015), “See the Good. Be the Good.” (2016), and now we are pleased to present for you “**shine**” (2017). Through this performance, we hope to remind you that there is light in us all; let yours **shine**! We’ll include the program from this company showcase performance in our 2016-2017 memory books which will be available for presale in March. These showcase performances are a special part of our year. Not only do our company performers get an opportunity to grow increasingly more comfortable on stage, they are also spotlighted in solos and videos and are prepared for any chance to perform in the community. This summer, we are so excited that members of our company will be touring to Southern California on The Center’s first ever performance tour! No matter your age or experience level, you can join us on a company too. (For more information, visit us online at TheCenterArts.com or speak with Mrs. Halee.) Our companies represent us and we couldn’t be more proud of them, not just because of their growth as performers, but because of how they care for one another. Together we **shine**!



Directed by Halee Young Ballash
Technical production by Douglas and Halee Ballash

Act I

“Be yourself. Above all, let who you are, what you are, what you believe **shine** through every sentence you write, every piece you finish.”

John Jakes

1. “Shine Medley”

Music: Collective Soul, Owl City, Coldplay, Hal Leonard
Choreography and Musical Direction: Halee Ballash

DREAM, WORK, REACH, and INSPIRE Performance Companies

Alisha Francis, April Bennett, Ashley McKay, Ashley Sisk, Ava Moncur, Ava Quincy, Bridger Wolsey, Casaday Bennett, Cecilia Benjamin, Elysia Pace, Enoch Bennett, Halee Ballash, Imani Pace, Isabelle Black, Jessica Larsson, Josiah Bennett, Kyleena Ballash, Laura Olsen, Leila Nancollas-Sites, Max Donosso, Olivia Sojourner, Ruby Darger, Ryker Ballash, Samantha Donosso, Sheri-Lyn Young, Star Passey

“Set your course by the stars, not by the lights of every passing ship.”

Omar N. Bradley

2. “I Cain’t Say No”

Music: Oklahoma; Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein II

Soloist

Megan Halverson

“Everybody has fallen down or been disappointed in love. Where you truly shine is when you get back up. Use it as a learning experience and believe in all of the possibilities.”

Sherry Argov

3. “Only Hope”

Music: Jon Foreman

Soloist

Olivia Sojourner

“who knows if the Moon's
a balloon, coming out of a keen city
in the sky--filled with pretty people?
(and if you and I should

get into it, if they
should take me and take you into their balloon,
why then
we'd go up higher with all the pretty people

than houses and steeples and clouds:
go sailing
away and away sailing into a keen
city which nobody's ever visited, where

always
it's
Spring) and everyone's
in love and flowers pick themselves”

E.E. Cummings

4. “My Grandmother’s Dresses”

Music: “Moonlight Becomes You” by Bing Crosby and Johnny Burke

Choreography: Karen Findlay

EXPRESS Company

Halee Ballash, Stef Bassett, Jessica Larsson, Kristen Leininger, Michelle Betts, Candice Thorpe

“Like the **s+ar** that you are **shīne** into the future spreading your
Līgh+ wherever you are.”

Aswad

5. “Opportunity”

Music: Greg Kurstin, Sia Furler

Soloist

Imani Pace

“When it is dark enough you can see the **s+ar**s.”

Ralph Waldo Emerson

6. “Skyfall”

Music: Adele, Paul Epworth

Soloist

Star Passey

“It is not in the **s+ar**s to hold our destiny but in ourselves.”

William Shakespeare

7. “Firework”

Music: Katy Perry, Ester Dean, StarGate, Sandy Vee

Soloist

Isabelle Black

“All that is gold does not glitter,
Not all those who wander are lost.”

J.R.R. Tolkien

8. “Boy from New York City”

Music: Manhattan Transfer

INSPIRE Performance Company

Halee Ballash, April Bennett, Jessica Larsson, Ashley Sisk, Elysia Pace, Sheri-Lyn Young

“Our deepest fear is not that we are inadequate. Our deepest fear is that we are powerful beyond measure. It is our light, not our darkness that most frightens us. We ask ourselves, Who am I to be brilliant, gorgeous, talented, and fabulous? Actually, who are you *not* to be?”

Marianne Williamson

9. “Climb Every Mountain”

Music: The Sound of Music

Soloist

Ruby Emma Darger

“There are two ways of spreading **light**: to be the **candle** or the **mirror** that reflects it.”

Edith Wharton

10. “How Far I’ll Go”

Music: Lin-Manuel Miranda

Soloist

Ava Quincy

11. “Friends Build You Up” Video

Music: <http://www.bensound.com>

Videography, Direction, Choreography: Halee Ballash

Soloist

Brighton Hammon

DREAM, WORK, REACH, and INSPIRE Performance Companies

“People are like stained - glass windows. They **sparkle** and **shine** when the **sun** is out, but when the darkness sets in, their true beauty is revealed only if there is a **light** from within.”

Elisabeth Kubler-Ross

12. “Young and Beautiful”

Music: Lana Del Rey

Soloist

Abbigail Poppleton

“Good friends are like stars. You don’t always see them but you know they’re always there.”

Anonymous

13. “You’re Safe”

Music: Rachel Platten

Choreography: Casaday Bennett

Soloist

Casaday Bennett

14. Video

Company Members

“A positive attitude causes a chain reaction of positive thoughts, events and outcomes. It is a catalyst and it sparks extraordinary results.”

Wade Boggs

15. “Levels”

Music: Nick Jonas

Choreography: Halee Ballash

Alisha Francis, Ava Quincy, Isabelle Black, Casaday Bennett, Cecilia Benjamin, Enoch Bennett, Imani Pace, Kyleena Ballash, Olivia Sojourner, Ruby Darger, Star Passey

Intermission

Act II

“It is during our darkest moments that we must focus to see the **light**.”

Aristotle Onassis

16. “The Climb”

Music: Miley Cyrus

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“For my part I know nothing with any certainty, but the sight of the **stars** makes me dream.”

Vincent Van Gogh

17. “I Can Hear the Bells”

Music: Hairspray; Marc Shaiman

Soloist

Megan Halverson

“Be of good cheer. The future is as **bright** as your faith.”

Thomas S. Monson

18. “Better When I’m Dancin’”

Music: Meghan Trainor

Soloist

Ruby Emma Darger

“In order for the light to shine so brightly, the darkness must be present.”

Francis Bacon

19. “Grief”

Music: “Children” by Escala
Choreography: Stef Bassett

EXPRESS Collaborative Arts Company
Halee Ballash, Stef Bassett, Michelle Betts, Jessica Larsson, Kristen Leininger, Sarah Thorup, Candice Thorpe

“Every great dream begins with a dreamer. Always remember, you have within you the strength, the patience, and the passion to reach for the stars to change the world.”

Harriet Tubman

20. “Castle on a Cloud”

Music:
Les Misérables; Claude-Michel Schönberg, Herbert Kretzmer

Solo
Kyleena Ballash

“Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only **Light** can do that.
Hate cannot drive out hate; only **Love** can do that.”

Martin Luther King, Jr.

21. “Sherlock”

Music: Hive Riot

EXPRESS Company

Amanda Dorsey, Elizabeth Swaney, Jessica Nordgren, Kellie Lees, Melissa Stevens,
Natasha Johnson, Sarah Martin, Sarah Thorup

“Keep your eyes on the **stars**, and your feet on the ground.”

Theodore Roosevelt

22. “Kiss Me”

Music: Matt Slocum

Soloist

Abbigail Poppleton

“If **Light** is in your heart, you will find your way home.”

Rumi

23. “The House That Built Me” a Tri-Generational Performance

Music: Miranda Lambert

Choreography: Halee Ballash

Cast

Present Day Sheri: Sheri-Lyn Young

Sheri’s Mother: Halee Young Ballash

Past Sheri: Kyleena Raylyn Ballash

“We can easily forgive a child who is afraid of the dark; the real tragedy of life is when men are afraid of the **Light**.”

Plato

24. “Feel the Light”

Music: Britt Nicole

Soloist

Ashley McKay

“Everyone is a star and deserves a chance to **shine**.”

Marilyn Monroe

25. “Make It Shine”

Music: Dan Schneider, Michael Corcoran, Lukasz Gottwald

Soloist

Alisha Francis

“Do not go gentle into that good night but rage, rage against the dying of the **Light**.”

Dylan Thomas

26. “Banga Banga”

Music: Austin Mahone

EXPRESS Company

Amanda Dorsey, Ashley Sisk, Candice Thorpe, Elizabeth Swaney, Halee Ballash, Jessica Larsson, Jessica Nordgren, Kellie Lees, Melissa Stevens, Michelle Betts, Sarah Thorup, Stef Bassett

27. Video

Company Members

“Nothing can dim the **light** that **shines** from within.”

Maya Angelou

28. “Rockstar” Finale

Music: A Great Big World and Hal Leonard

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