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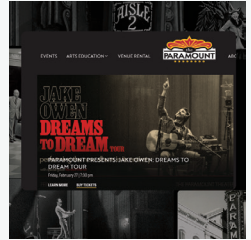
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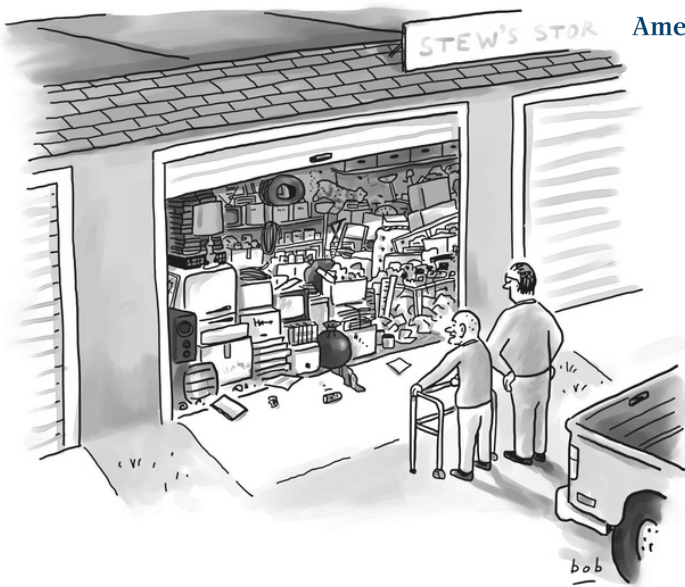
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# Welcome



FROM THE CEO & EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

To our patrons, supporters, sponsors, friends, and neighbors:

Welcome to summer at The Paramount!

This time of year is always so full of fun and excitement. For students, it's time for a much-deserved break from the regular routines of school and extracurricular activities. For families, it's a season full of time spent together that hopefully includes a little adventure, finding ways to cool off (a pool, a beach, a lake, a river — we're not far from any of these!), and appreciating a reflective space that sits between school years. For all of us, we can always count on sunshine, longer days, and plenty of opportunities to enjoy what makes our part of the world great.

This summer will be especially memorable thanks to two significant reasons for celebration: the **250<sup>th</sup> anniversary of America's Declaration of Independence** and the **50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Downtown Mall**. America250 celebrations will be happening nationwide, and I know that there will be quite a few happening in our area beginning in July. The Mall's anniversary is a special one for all of us in The Paramount's orbit, and understandably — it's our home. We are very proud to be in the middle of downtown Charlottesville, and one of the primary reasons why so many folks, from near and far, visit the Mall for food, music, socializing, and more. The Mall is a place where memories are made and The Paramount is honored to be a part of it. 50 years — it's hard to believe!

Now, as you'll see in these pages, our summer calendar is loaded with lots of reasons to come inside and take a seat. The local spotlight will be bright and shining on a range of gifts and genres, including: **Cville Band** for their annual Summer at The Paramount concert; the **C'ville Jazz Society's** first ever **Charlottesville JazzFest** with two marquee events at the Theater, **Young Lions of Jazz** and **Veronica Swift**; and of course no summer at The Paramount would be complete without **Charlottesville Opera!** We can't wait for the curtain to rise on their two productions this year — **Cinderella** and **The Barber of Seville**. We're so fortunate to have such a renowned opera company right here in town and we are astounded year after year with the level of talent, preparation, and polish that they bring to every aspect of their passionate performances!

Of course, summertime is movie time, too, and we've got some great titles you won't want to miss, from blockbusters to classics and then some: **Jaws**, **The Adventures of Priscilla - Queen of the Desert**, **Do The Right Thing**, **Down by the Riverside**, **To Kill A Mockingbird**, and **Legally Blonde**. Plus, we'll have three family-friendly films that will be included in our Kids Club: **Pokémon Detective Pikachu**, **The LEGO Batman Movie**, and **Star Wars: Return of the Jedi**. If you're reading this and you're not yet aware of our **Kids Club**, check out the page on our website. The short of it is if you're under 12 and love movies, sign up to get passes and popcorn to Kids Club movies. And it's free!

I could go on, but I want you to explore more of what's inside. So, please, enjoy! It's going to be busy at The Paramount.

From all of us — the staff, the Board, and our dedicated volunteers — have a great summer and stay cool out there!

With appreciation and gratitude,

Julie A. Montross  
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# Cville BAND

Cville Band Presents:

## **SUMMER AT THE PARAMOUNT** **TUESDAY, JUNE 2, 7:30PM**

**Free!**

The Charlottesville Band opens our 104th Summer Season at The Paramount Theater on Tuesday, June 2 at 7:30PM with a big concert featuring music for everyone! Our guest soloists for this show include principal French horn Becky Allen, playing Catherine Likhuta's "Sure-Fire: The Spark," and principal clarinet Doug Nash, playing an excerpt from Oscar Navarro's "Clarinet Concerto No. 1." Again this year, our Instrument Petting Zoo will be operating at the foot of the stage before the performance, so families with younger children can see and touch some of the instruments in the Band. And as always, admission to this concert is free.

This is a free event and does not require advance registration.

Paramount On Screen:

## **NATIONAL THEATRE LIVE IN HD — ALL MY SONS** **THURSDAY, JUNE 4, 7:00PM**

by Arthur Miller

directed by Ivo Van Hove | design by Jan Versweyveld

Bryan Cranston (*Breaking Bad*) and Marianne Jean-Baptiste (*Hard Truths*) feature in a five-star, triumphantly acclaimed new production of Arthur Miller's classic play, from visionary director Ivo Van Hove (*A View from the Bridge*).

One family, the heart of the American dream. When wartime delivers profits for Joe, it comes at a price when his partner is charged with criminal manufacturing deals, and his eldest son goes missing in action. Will peacetime bring peace of mind, or will he be confronted by the consequence of his actions?

Filmed live from the West End, Paapa Essiedu (*I May Destroy You*), Tom Glynn-Carney (*House of the Dragon*), and Hayley Squires (*I, Daniel Blake*) also feature in this disturbingly prescient play.

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C'ville Jazz Society and WTJU Present:

## **CHARLOTTESVILLE JAZZFEST** **SATURDAY, JUNE 6**

### **YOUNG LIONS OF JAZZ | 10:30AM**

JazzFest is committed to enhancing youth jazz education through performance opportunities and festival activities. The festival's "Young Lions of Jazz" concert, featuring elementary school to collegiate musicians, highlights the qualities that jazz music imparts to students at every age.

### **VERONICA SWIFT | 7:00PM** **With All-Star Collective led by John D'earth**

JazzFest 2026 is pleased to welcome international sensation Veronica Swift as the headliner of its main event on June 6 at The Paramount Theater. An All-Star collective of many of the region's finest jazz artists, led by renowned trumpeter John D'earth, will open for Swift that evening.

Swift has established herself as one of her generation's iconic voices in jazz. She recorded her first album at age nine, and since then has enjoyed a career spanning two decades which saw a 2nd place win at The 2015 Thelonious Monk Jazz Competition, a twice-a-year residency at Birdland Jazz Club, joining [trumpeter] Chris Botti's touring band, as well as touring with Wynton Marsalis and the Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra and the Benny Green trio. She has appeared with Michael Feinstein, recorded with Jeff Goldblum, and traveled the globe as she leans into the leading edge of jazz and other genres that capture her energy, ingenuity, and creative essence.

Paramount On Screen:

# **POKÉMON DETECTIVE PIKACHU**

**SUNDAY, JUNE 7, 2:00PM**



2019 | PG

Run Time: 1hr 44min

When ace detective Harry Goodman goes mysteriously missing, his son Tim (Justice Smith) embarks on a journey to find out what happened. Aiding in the investigation is Harry's former Pokémon partner, Detective Pikachu (Ryan Reynolds), a hilariously wise-cracking, adorable super-sleuth. Finding that they are uniquely equipped to work together, as Tim is the only human who can talk with Pikachu, they join forces on a thrilling adventure to unravel the tangled mystery, encountering a diverse cast of Pokémon characters and uncover a shocking plot that could destroy this peaceful co-existence and threaten the whole Pokémon universe.

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Paramount Presents:

**TOUR THE PARAMOUNT THEATER!**  
**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10, 11:00AM & 5:30PM**  
**SATURDAY, JUNE 13, 11:00AM**

**FREE!**

Dig into Paramount history on a free backstage tour!

*Learn* about The Paramount's beginnings in 1931 and our long legacy of community involvement from the Great Depression to the magical reopening!

*Discover* the movers and shakers behind The Paramount's construction, the movie palace architecture, and the behind-the-scenes details of the two-year-long restoration!

See the backstage Wall of Fame, where hundreds of artists have left their autographs and more!

The tour will be approximately 1 hour in length. Reservations for the tour are strongly recommended, as space is limited. Tour schedules are subject to change.

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Paramount Presents:

# **ELMO'S GOT THE MOVES**

**THURSDAY, JUNE 11, 6:00PM**

**Co-Presented with Round Room Live**

Make unforgettable memories with your little ones at *Elmo's Got the Moves* — the all-new Sesame Street Live show coming to your neighborhood!

This exciting show will have kids and parents alike out of their seats and moving and dancing along with Elmo and his Sesame Street friends as they dance, stretch, and play along to fan-favorite songs, including “Sunny Days,” “Elmo’s Got the Moves,” and “Letter of the Day.”

Families will discover fun and playful ways to move — from yoga and jumping rope to cartwheeling and silly dance moves — all in a welcoming environment that brings the magic of Sesame Street from the screen to the stage. More than just a show, *Elmo's Got the Moves* is a shared moment of laughter and learning — an experience you and your child will treasure long after the final song.

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A vibrant graphic poster for the World Cup 2026 match between the USA and Paraguay. The background is a mix of bright red, yellow, and cyan. The text is in bold white. In the bottom left corner, there is a pattern of yellow dots of varying sizes.

# WORLD CUP 2026

# USA v

# PARAGUAY

Paramount On Screen:

**WORLD CUP: USA V. PARAGUAY**  
**FRIDAY, JUNE 12, 9:00PM**

**FREE!**

**THIS IS IT!** The biggest tournament is on the biggest screen in town. The groundbreaking 2026 World Cup is here, and The Paramount invites the community to join us on Friday, June 12 at 9:00PM for the USA v. Paraguay match.

**Doors will open at 7:00PM for Opening Ceremonies.**

Admission to this event is free, and concessions will be available to take into the theater for purchase. Advance registration is highly recommended as we anticipate heavy interest for this event. Your registration does NOT guarantee admission to the event. Please arrive early to claim your seat. Unclaimed seats will be offered to the Wait List and Standby Line 15 minutes before the event time.

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Paramount On Screen:

# **JAWS**

**SATURDAY, JUNE 13, 7:00PM**

1975 | PG

Run Time: 2hr 4min

Directed by Academy Award-winner Steven Spielberg, *Jaws* set the standard for edge-of-your-seat suspense, quickly becoming a cultural phenomenon and forever changing the movie industry. When the seaside community of Amity finds itself under attack by a dangerous great white shark, the town's chief of police (Roy Scheider), a young marine biologist (Richard Dreyfuss), and a grizzled shark hunter (Robert Shaw) embark on a desperate quest to destroy the beast before it strikes again. Featuring an unforgettable score that evokes pure terror, *Jaws* remains one of the most influential and gripping adventures in motion picture history.

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Paramount On Screen:

**THE ADVENTURES OF PRISCILLA,  
QUEEN OF THE DESERT  
SUNDAY, JUNE 14, 2:00PM**

1994 | R

Run Time: 1hr 44min

With a contract to perform a drag show way out in the Australian desert, Tick, Adam and Bernadette journey across the Australian Outback in their battered, pink tour bus "Priscilla," encountering various groups and individuals along the way.

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Charlottesville Opera Presents:

## **CINDERELLA**

**FRIDAY, JUNE 26, 7:00PM**

**SATURDAY, JUNE 27, 2:00PM**

**SUNDAY, JUNE 28, 2:00PM**

Rodgers & Hammerstein's  
CINDERELLA

Music by: Richard Rodgers

Book and Lyrics by: Oscar Hammerstein II

Estimated total length including intermission: 2hr 20min

Rodgers and Hammerstein's beloved *Cinderella* will have the whole family believing in fairy godmothers all over again. Enjoy seeing this enchanting musical come alive with memorable songs like "In My Own Little Corner" and "Impossible/It's Possible," performed by Charlottesville Opera's talented, professional cast and live orchestra. Featuring stunning costumes and dazzling sets inspired by the romantic 1965 made-for-TV production, this story celebrates kindness and bravery and promises an evening filled with joy, laughter, and heart for audiences ages 2 to 102.

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Paramount On Screen:

**NATIONAL THEATRE LIVE IN HD —  
THE PLAYBOY OF THE WESTERN WORLD  
TUESDAY, JUNE 30, 7:00PM  
THURSDAY, JULY 23, 7:00PM**

by John Millington Synge  
directed by Caitríona McLaughlin

Nicola Coughlan (*Bridgerton*) joins Éanna Hardwicke (*The Sixth Commandment*) and Siobhán McSweeney (*Derry Girls*) in John Millington Synge's riveting play of youth and self-discovery.

Pegeen Flaherty's life is turned upside down when a young man walks into her pub claiming that he's killed his father. Instead of being shunned, the killer becomes a local hero and begins to win hearts, that is until a second man unexpectedly arrives on the scene...

Filed live on stage at the National Theatre, Caitríona McLaughlin directs this darkly funny tale full to the brim with secrets.

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Charlottesville Opera Presents:

## **THE BARBER OF SEVILLE**

**FRIDAY, JULY 17, 7:00PM**

**SUNDAY, JULY 19, 2:00PM**

Composed by Gioachino Rossini | Libretto by Cesare Sterbini  
Orchestral edition by Bryan Higgins, by arrangement with Motet Music  
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Sung in Italian with English subtitles

Estimated total length including intermission: 3hr

Get ready for scheming, singing, and romantic chaos in Charlottesville Opera's production of Rossini's effervescent comedy *The Barber of Seville*. When the clever barber, Figaro, helps Count Almaviva woo the lovely Rosina, the result is a whirlwind of disguises, deceptions, and delightful hijinks. Our orchestra brings Rossini's sparkling score to life—including the instantly recognizable "Largo al factotum"—while the mesmerizing performers navigate this madcap love story with wit and vocal brilliance. With vibrant period costumes and sets that capture the warmth of 18th-century Spain, this is opera at its most fun, proving that sometimes the best way to win a heart is with a little mischief and a lot of music.

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Starr Hill Presents:

## **LYLE LOVETT AND HIS SMALL LARGE BAND** **TUESDAY, JULY 21, 7:00PM**

A singer, composer and actor, Lyle Lovett has broadened the definition of American music in a career that spans 14 albums. Coupled with his gift for storytelling, the Texas-based musician fuses elements of country, swing, jazz, folk, gospel, and blues in a convention-defying manner that breaks down barriers.

Lovett's live performances show not only the breadth of this Texas legend's deep talents, but also the diversity of his influences, making him one of the most compelling and captivating musicians in popular music.

Since his self-titled debut in 1986, Lyle Lovett has evolved into one of music's most vibrant and iconic performers. Among his many accolades, besides the four Grammy Awards, he was given the Americana Music Association's inaugural Trailblazer Award, and was named Texas State Musician.

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Paramount On Screen:

**DO THE RIGHT THING**  
**SATURDAY, JULY 24, 7:30PM**

1989 | R

Run Time: 2hr

Written, directed by, and starring Spike Lee, this powerful, visual feast combines humor and drama with memorable characters while tracing the course of a single day on a block in the Bedford-Stuyvesant area of Brooklyn. It's the hottest day of the year, a scorching 24-hour period that will change the lives of its residents forever. Danny Aiello and more co-star in this absorbing tale of inner-city life that heats up with vivid images and unforgettable performances.

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Paramount On Screen:

## **DOWN BY THE RIVERSIDE** **SATURDAY, JULY 25, 7:00PM**

2023 | NR

Run Time: 1hr 25min

**Join us after the film for a Q&A!**

In the 1960s, the iconic American folk singer Pete Seeger devised an audacious plan—to build a sailboat to save the polluted Hudson River. But the *Clearwater* was not just a beautiful wooden vessel; it was also a movement, intersecting environmentalism, civil rights, and antiwar activism.

An intimate portrait of Pete and the grassroots community he anchored in the Hudson Valley for over forty years with his wife Toshi, *Down by the Riverside* shows how an unconventional campaign to save a beloved American waterway prompted a green revolution.

As the globe confronts a seemingly insurmountable climate crisis, this film is a parable for our time that offers hope for the next generation, revealing the potential of imagination, music, and participation to transform the planet.

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Paramount On Screen:

## **THE LEGO BATMAN MOVIE**

**SUNDAY, JULY 26**

**1:30PM (SENSORY FRIENDLY) & 4:30PM**

2017 | PG

Run Time: 2hr

In the irreverent spirit of fun that made *The Lego® Movie* a worldwide phenomenon, the self-described leading man of that ensemble — Lego Batman (Will Arnett) — stars in his own big-screen adventure. But there are big changes brewing in Gotham, and if he wants to save the city from The Joker's (Zach Galifianakis) hostile takeover, Batman may have to drop the lone vigilante thing, try to work with others and maybe, just maybe, learn to lighten up.

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**SUNDAY, AUGUST 2, 3:00PM**

Venture Stage Company and DMR Adventures, for the first time, will be co-producing Disney's *Frozen*. Featuring professional performers alongside students, working together to create the magical kingdom of Arendelle.

When Princess Elsa is crowned queen, the magical powers she's tried desperately to conceal take control. When she flees into the mountains and sets off an endless winter in Arendelle, Anna sets off on an epic journey to bring her sister home. Along the way she meets ice harvester, Kristoff, his pet reindeer, Sven, and a snowman-brought-to-life, Olaf. Featuring such hits as "Let It Go," "For the First Time in Forever," "Love is an Open Door," and so many more, this show is a perfect chance to celebrate winter in summer with the whole family!

Disney's *Frozen* is presented through special arrangement with Music Theatre International (MTI). All authorized performance materials are also supplied by MTI.





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Paramount On Screen:

**THE BLUES BROTHERS**  
**SATURDAY, AUGUST 8, 7:30PM**

1980 | R

Run Time: 2hr 13min

Comedy icons John Belushi and Dan Aykroyd star in the outrageously funny musical comedy about Jake and Elwood Blues, two brothers searching for redemption with no money but a briefcase full of soul. Hit the road with musical performances by blues legends Ray Charles, James Brown, Aretha Franklin, and Cab Calloway in the action-packed spectacular from acclaimed director John Landis.

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Paramount On Screen:

**TO KILL A MOCKINGBIRD**  
**SUNDAY, AUGUST 9, 2:00PM**

1962 | Approved  
Run Time: 2hr 9min

Six-year-old Scout Finch (Mary Badham) and her older brother, Jem (Phillip Alford), live in sleepy Maycomb, Alabama, spending much of their time with their friend Dill (John Megna) and spying on their reclusive and mysterious neighbor, Boo Radley (Robert Duvall). When Atticus (Gregory Peck), their widowed father and a respected lawyer, defends a black man named Tom Robinson (Brock Peters) against fabricated rape charges, the trial and tangent events expose the children to evils of racism and stereotyping.

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## **LEGALLY BLONDE**

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 15, 2:00PM & 4:30PM**

2001 | PG-13

Run Time: 1hr 36min

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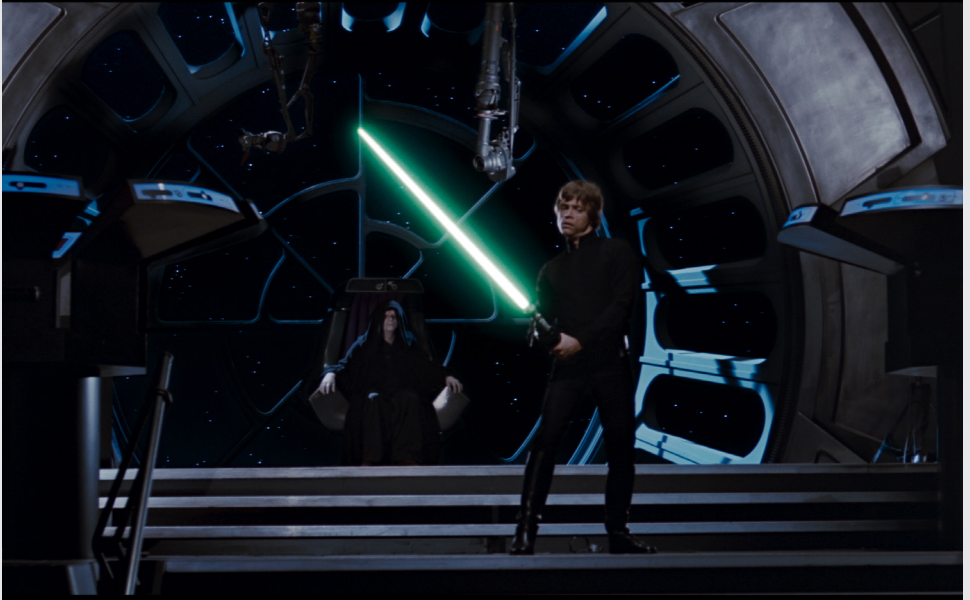


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Paramount On Screen:

## **STAR WARS: RETURN OF THE JEDI** **SUNDAY, AUGUST 16, 2:00PM**

1983 | PG

Run Time: 2hr 11min



After a quick trip back to Tatooine, Luke Skywalker, Leia Organa, and Han Solo are reunited and join up with the amassing rebel fleet to take down the evil Empire once and for all. But the Empire is plotting too. Emperor Palpatine commands his troops aboard his newly constructed Death Star stationed above the forest moon of Endor, where the rebels — and some unlikely furry friends — make their stand against the Empire. While Luke Skywalker confronts Darth Vader on the Death Star once more, Han leads a team to take out a shield protecting the battle station so that the rebel fleet can destroy it once more and finally put an end to the war...

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In addition to her work with Heart, Wilson has built a dynamic solo career that highlights both her range and restless creative spirit. Her solo albums, including *Hope & Glory*, *Fierce Bliss*, and *Another Door*, blend rock, folk, and orchestral influences while pairing her unmistakable voice with bold reinterpretations and original material.



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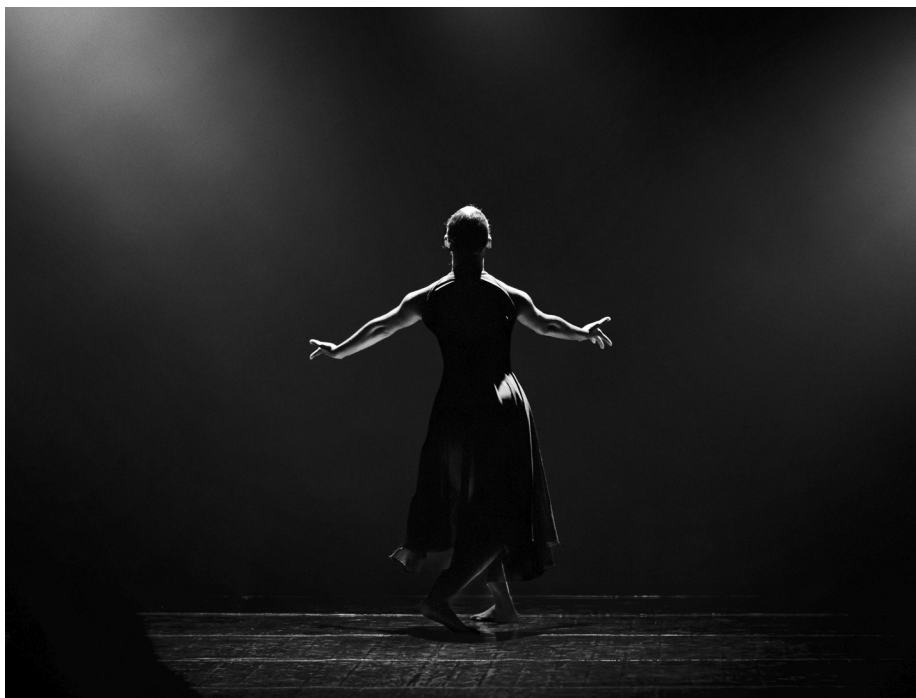
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