ARTSTREAM’S CABARET COMPANY PRESENTS:

ARTSTREAM ROADSHOW

FEATURING RACHEL COATES, JONATHAN FEIFER, DENISE GREEN, ADAM MCCRENSKY, LESLIE MOORE, CHARLIE OUTLAW, DANIELLE SILVA, AND ELIAS TSAKIRIS

MONDAY, MAY 17, 2021 AT 7:30 PM
ZOOM PERFORMANCE
ArtStream’s classes, workshops, and performing companies fuel each student’s imagination, creativity, and focus. And that’s not all. Students improve communication and social skills and develop friendships. Newly discovered talents and capabilities improve self-esteem, poise, and confidence that extends into their daily lives. All ArtStreamers are valued for their creative contributions. ArtStream’s demanding and very entertaining process encourages ArtStreamers to find their voices, discover their creativity and strengths, and perform with confidence!

“My son has many challenges with social situations, and making new friends is very difficult. I see a really positive change in him since he began this ArtStream class! He looks forward to the class and feels comfortable with the teachers. They are fabulous.” — Parent of a 20-year-old ArtStream student

Take a Performing Class
ArtStream offers performing arts classes for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDDs) — including autism. You do not need to have any acting experience to take a class.

Learn about our current classes or register for an upcoming class today.

Classes: www.art-stream.org/take-a-class

Join Our Monthly Super Social Saturdays
Practice being your best self in a group event setting. Show your skills, be silly, express yourself, practice positive social experiences, and dance!
Attend a Show
2021 PERFORMANCES

Winter 2021

Maryland Cabaret - Winter Company
📅 Monday, Jan. 25, 2021
⏰ 7:30 pm
📍 Zoom

Spring 2021

Alexandria Inclusive Theatre Companies
📅 Friday, April 8, 2021
⏰ 7:30 pm
📍 Alexandria Drive-In

Gaithersburg Inclusive Theatre Companies
📅 Friday, May 7, 2021
⏰ 7:30 pm
📍 Zoom

📅 Wednesday, May 12 & 19, 2021
⏰ 7:00 pm
📍 DC Party Box Drive-In

Maryland Cabaret - Spring Company
📅 Monday, May 17, 2021
⏰ 7:30 pm
📍 Zoom

Virginia Cabaret - Spring Company
📅 Monday, April 5, 2021
⏰ 7:30 pm
📍 Zoom

Silver Spring Inclusive Theatre Companies
📅 Friday, June 18, 2021
⏰ 7:30 pm
📍 Zoom

📅 Monday, June 21, 2021 & Wednesday, June 23, 2021
⏰ 7:00 pm
📍 DC Party Box Drive-In

Get tickets by going to “Buy Tickets” at www.art-stream.org
Get Involved with ArtStream
Perform with ArtStream

Auditions for the Inclusive Theatre Companies occur in the fall for shows the following spring. Cabaret Companies hold auditions in the fall and winter.

Inclusive Theatre Companies

Actors develop and perform an original musical. The company votes on a theme, creates original characters, and improvises scenes. Scenes are then scripted to become an original one-act musical. Each performance presents two of these musicals in a double bill before a live audience.

Cabaret Companies

Actors agree on a theme for ensemble music and dance performances, and then each actor works with the choreographer and music director to develop solo and small-group music, dance, or drama performances.

Requirements to perform

- Be 18 years of age or older
- Have participated in at least 8 weeks of ArtStream classes in the past 2 years

Reserve your spot on the audition list by calling ArtStream at (301) 565-4567.

When there is space in the company, we will invite you to join us for an audition.

www.art-stream.org (301) 565-4567
Bring ArtStream to your Community
WORKSHOPS & Classes

ArtStream’s talented teaching artists lead a variety of workshops and classes for groups, schools, and private organizations. Classes are designed for people of all ages with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDDs), including autism. Participation fosters social connections and allows participants to practice communication skills like eye contact, listening, and self-awareness. Through these classes, participants increase engagement and build confidence by making their own choices.

Programs include:

- Dance and movement
- Drama and storytelling
- Music
- Musical theatre
- Self-advocacy
- Workplace communication
- Public speaking

Contact ArtStream for more information and to design a class to fit your organization’s needs.

"Thank you for a wonderful evening of music and rhythmic movement. It was a blast! It was so gratifying watching individuals perform and the audience engage. Your classes really make a difference."

— Jan Miller-Vogel, The Treatment and Learning Centers

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Support ArtStream
Donate

Tuition and ticket sales cover less than half (46%) of the cost of ArtStream's programs. Your donations make it possible for actors with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDDs) — including autism — to perform on stage, feel empowered and respected, and actively engage in our communities.

☑ $75 funds a full costume for one actor in an Inclusive Theatre Company show.

☑ $300 underwrites a public speaking workshop for self-advocacy and pre-employment skills.

☑ $1,000 sponsors an eight-week class in Broadway Song & Dance, Shakespeare, or Directing & Design.

Donate: www.art-stream.org/donate or mail a check to:
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Volunteer

Volunteers ages 13+ are needed to help in classes, backstage, and onstage.

Volunteers are eligible for Student Service Learning hours, and ArtStream looks great on college applications!

Groups and families are welcome.

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Here we are again, spring of 2021. The symbolism of spring seems to be more powerful this year than in the past. It seems a bit brighter with the possibility of moving closer to a post-pandemic world. Spring shows us that life continues to move forward; the show goes on. I think that Maryland’s Cabaret this year highlights not only that shows MUST go on, but that they WILL go on.

ArtStream Roadshow was created out of challenge. Sometimes the best creativity happens when we are the most challenged. It is pretty amazing to think about the challenges all of us faced ... and the show went on. Some of us dealt with loss last year, and the show went on. Unreliable internet occasionally prevented some performers from logging into rehearsal and the show went on. Each performer dealt with personal and performance related challenges, and creativity was forced into high gear. ArtStream Roadshow deals with just that. When things go wrong, how do we keep moving?

For our performers, they kept moving by putting a smile on and performing their art out and the show did go on. I have so much gratitude for our performers’ diligence, creativity, and supportiveness of one another. The same goes for our mentors for stepping into whatever role supported our performers best. Finally, the directing and production team, who took on the great challenge of meeting everyone’s interests and needs to build a fun and beautiful show.

ArtStream Roadshow highlights the power of performance even during challenging times. It reminds me of how vaudeville and other travelling players brought hope to the communities they travelled to just like our favorite comedians and personalities on TV bring us hope today. Please enjoy the hope that our performers are excited to share with you.

Thanks,
Mehdi Raoufi, Director
Tonight’s Performance

Scene 1: Introduction

Scene 2: The M Factor
“Rolling in the Deep”
written by Adele Adkins and Paul Epworth
performed by Denise Green

“Jolene” parody
written by Dolly Parton
parody lyrics written by Ken Moore
performed by Leslie Moore

“Bad Romance”
written by Stefani Germanotta and Nadir Khayat
performed by Danielle Silva

“Born this Way”
written by Stefani Germanotta and Jeppe Laursen
performed by Denise Green, Adam McCrensky, Leslie Moore, and Danille Silva

Scene 3: Elias Interview
Greek Folk Song – “Μηλίσσω- Χορός Ανατολικής Ρωμυλίας”
performed by Elias Tsakiris

Scene 4: Billie Swift
“The Climb”
written by Jessi Alexander and Jon Mabe
performed by Rachel Coates and Jonathan Feifer

Scene 5: Finale
“Billie Jean”
written by Michael Jackson
performed by Charles Outlaw

Production Team

Director: Mehdi Raoufi
Assistant Director/Choreographer: Annetta Dexter Sawyer
Music Director: Mark Andrist
Choreographer: Shelley Fisher
Mentors: Ian Bannon, Samara Glymph, and Pat Keams-Michaelsen
Production Assistant: Nadia Abouraya
Editors: Mark Andrist, Robert Lodge, Mehdi Raoufi, and Sarah Sandifer
Theatre and Events Manager: Sarah Sandifer

Cast

Rachel Coates
Jonathan Feifer
Denise Green
Adam McCrensky
Leslie Moore
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Danielle Silva
Elias Tsakiris

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MEET THE CAST OF
Pandemic Champions

Nadia Abouraya (Production Assistant)
Nadia lives in Rockville, Maryland, where she works for the Montgomery County Department of Health and Human Services. She was selected for The Arc of Maryland Partners in Policymaking 2020. Nadia joined ArtStream in 2013, first backstage, then onstage, and now with Cabaret. She can’t wait to work again on sound and lights at Silver Spring Stage and usher at other theaters. Nadia plays tennis and loves reading and getting together with friends and family, who are very supportive of who she has become.

Mark Andrist (Music Director)
Mark has been a professional working musician since he was fourteen years old, and he is grateful for the opportunities he has had to perform, write, teach, and direct all over the world. His younger sister is the inspiration for his commitment to ArtStream, an individual who has lived her life refusing to allow her disabilities to steal her joy.

Ian Bannon (Mentor)
Ian began as a mentor at ArtStream in 2017. He is a Senior Docent at the Folger Shakespeare Library and works in various Folger education programs including Shakespeare School Festivals, and Shakespeare-in-Action Workshops. Ian also works with Raise the Voices, which focuses on human rights issues in the US and across the world. “It has been very rewarding to see our performers, staff and mentors working hard to overcome the challenges posed by the Pandemic. I am proud to be part of such a fun and creative group of people.” Ian received the 2019 Scottish Rite – Valley of Washington’s Knights of St. Andrew Outstanding Community Service Award for his work at ArtStream.
Rachel Coates (Actor)
Rachel is a 23-year-old actor living in Montgomery Village, Maryland. She joined ArtStream in 2019 with the Musical Theatre class. She performed in the 2014 22Q Beauty Pageant. Rachel earned the Girl Scout Gold Award advocating for 22Q deletion. Rachel is a member of TLC Outcomes, where she is in an educational program to help secure a job. She also enjoys singing, taking care of her dog, arts and crafts, and watching Marvel movies. “Thank you for everything!”

Annetta Dexter Sawyer (Assistant Director/Choreographer)
Annetta has taught for ArtStream on and off since its inception. She’s been a movement and voice coach, taught poetry, drama, and even yoga! Much of her teaching has been with ArtStream community partner programs at Community Services for Autistic Adults and Children (CSAAC), the Forbush School, and The Treatment and Learning Centers (TLC). She co-teaches Theater & Improvisation classes at TLC/KTS. Annetta teaches Practicing Performance, works with the Jewish Foundation for Group Homes, and gives drama and storytelling classes at the DC Edlavitch JCC. She works as a freelance artist at several local theater companies. This is Annetta’s fifth ArtStream Cabaret! “Thank you marvelous ArtStreamers, for all your hard work, the fun, and your talents!”

Jonathan Feifer (Actor)
Jonathan is a 24-year-old from Rockville, Maryland, who has performed in ArtStream’s Cabaret and Inclusive Theater Companies. He has sung solo and in duets in private recitals with other aspiring performers. He was a member of the chorus in the Walter Johnson High School production of Les Miserables. Jonathan currently lives on his own while taking classes, doing volunteer work, and looking for the right job. He enjoys musicals, movies and getting together with friends. “Hope everyone who comes to Cabaret loves our show!”
Samara Glymph (Mentor)
Samara Glymph is a senior college student and first-time mentor with ArtStream. She currently lives in Culpeper, Virginia. She loves most music genres, likes to watch college softball, and is a Washington Nationals fan. She enjoys hanging out with her friends and going shopping to her favorite store, Target. Being in the program has given her a new interest and perspective in the performing arts. This will be her first performance with the Maryland Cabaret Company and is thrilled to be a part of the organization. She would like to thank the students and staff for making her first experience with the Maryland Cabaret Company welcoming and fun.

Denise Green (Actor)
Denise Monique Green is a 64-year-old actor (64 years young!) from Washington, DC. This is her third year with ArtStream! Previously, she took a class with Annetta where she got to play the roles of a student and a mentor. Denise has performed at the Inwood Coffee House for 12 years. She attended Sharpe Health School and sang at church from ages 10 to 18. Denise is active in her church, especially the group Handicap Encounter Christ (HEC). Denise has many hobbies, including oil painting, crocheting, cooking, bingo, bowling, and karaoke. But most of all, Denise loves helping others and making people laugh. "I only have praise for ArtStream. I’ve learned so much in the last few years, and I have a lot of respect for my coworkers and fellow actors. Please remember, when one door closes another one will open, which means anything is possible with a little confidence and ArtStream to guide you."

Pat Kearns-Michaelsen (Mentor)
Pat Kearns-Michaelsen first volunteered at ArtStream in 2015, working front of house for the Silver Spring productions. This is her fourth year as an onstage mentor with Maryland’s Cabaret. Pat also acted at American Stage Theatre Company in St. Petersburg, Florida. “The person that you will spend the most time with is yourself, so be nice to them.”
Adam McCrensky (Actor)
Adam is a 34-year-old actor from Bethesda, Maryland. He has acted with ArtStream for 14 years. Adam has also performed at Imagination Stage, Adventure Theater MTC, and with the Bannockburn Spring Show. He has regularly volunteered at WAMU, Fabrangen, VisArts, SPIRIT Club, and at the ArtStream office. He enjoys using the internet, especially researching music playlists like those from his favorite restaurant, Chipotle, or on a music platform like Spotify. Adam, when there is no pandemic, is an avid public transportation user and loves exploring new areas using the bus and metro. “Love to all my friends in the cast and audience!”

Leslie Moore (Actor)
Leslie Ellen Moore, 56, has been acting with ArtStream since its beginning and is a pioneer member of ArtStream’s Maryland Cabaret. Leslie loves musicals: in Cabaret, she has performed “Impossible Dream” from Man of La Mancha, “Day by Day” from Godspell with her friend Denise Green, and “What I Did for Love,” from A Chorus Line, with her brother Ken accompanying her on flute. “I love Cabaret because I’m good at it. I feel happy when my friends see my shows and cheer me on.”

Charlie Outlaw (Actor)
Charlie Outlaw is a 33-year-old actor from Washington, DC. This is his third year with ArtStream’s Maryland Cabaret Company! He previously acted with the ArtStream Inclusive Theatre Company from 2005 until 2009. Charlie performed at the Lincoln Theatre with the Art and Drama Therapy Inspirational Choir and Moroccan Ensemble from 2011 - 2016. In December, 2016, he performed at the White House for President Barack Obama and First Lady Michelle Obama. Charlie currently attends Bridgeway Community Services and is a member of the Bridgeway Choir. He enjoys singing, performing, and recording. “Peace!”
Mehdi Raoufi (Director)
Mehdi is a recent graduate of Lesley University in Boston, Massachusetts, and holds a M.A. in Mental Health Counseling with a concentration in Expressive Arts Therapy. He also has a B.A. in Theater with a concentration in Directing/Dramatic Literature from Christopher Newport University. Mehdi currently lives in Boston, where he is a Career Readiness Program Specialist for Partners for Youth with Disabilities, a non-profit organization whose goal is to create a world where young people with disabilities will be able to live with dignity and pride in who they are, and to lead self-determined lives filled with purpose. He teaches weekly workshops focusing on vocational skills and inclusion in the workplace. Prior to relocating to Boston, Mehdi worked for over a decade as a sound designer and teaching artist in the Washington, D.C. area, teaching with both Imagination Stage and ArtStream through 2017. Mehdi has also sound designed with many theatres in the DC area, including Constellation Theatre Company, Faction of Fools and Gallaudet University, just to name a few. In his free time, Mehdi loves live music and art, playing and creating music, and annoying his senior dog, Coltrane.

Danielle Silva (Actor)
Danielle is a 22-year-old actor from Arlington, Virginia. This is Danielle’s first performance with the Cabaret! She has truly found her place among her Michael Jackson-loving friends, and she enjoys dancing with them and playing acting games! “Thank you to my sister, Mirai, for helping me with Zoom!”

Elias Tsakiris (Actor)
Elias is a 24-year-old actor from Damascus, Maryland. This is his second performance with the ArtStream Maryland Cabaret! In early 2020, Elias was selected to play in the US World Cup Special Needs adult ice hockey team in Las Vegas! He is also an avid cook and enjoys trying out new recipes with his family.
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Thank you ArtStream for all your hard work. We love the program and are so glad Chris can be a part of it!

- The Pagonis Family

Alex is a proud member of the creative, collaborative ArtStream community!
Congratulations to Rachel Coates, Jonathan Feifer, Denise Green, Adam McGrensky, Leslie Moore, Charlie Outlaw, Danielle Silva, and Elias Tsakiris!

We know your talent and hard work will be rewarded with great performances.

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Megan, Mike and Ellen Cooper

Students with intellectual and developmental disabilities — including autism — age 16-26 may receive 1 free ticket for virtual performances. Register at art-stream.org.
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a great communicator
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