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FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY

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**The Adrienne Arsht Center for the Performing Arts of Miami-Dade County
announces second annual**



COMMUNITEA DANCE starring **KRISTINE W**

In celebration of Pride Month, the Center hosts FREE event honoring South Florida's vibrant LGBTQ community with performances by local acts and a special show by Billboard Dance Chart-topping artist Kristine W

**Hosted by Tiffany T. Fantasia
Performances by DJ Hottpants, Lolo, Adora,
Pioneer Winter Collective and Gender Blender Miami**

**FREE!
Sunday, June 10, 2018 – 6 p.m. to 10 p.m.
Thomson Plaza for the Arts – Ziff Ballet Opera House**

MIAMI, FL May 25, 2018 – The Adrienne Arsht Center for the Performing Arts of Miami-Dade County (@arshtcenter) is proud to announce the second annual **COMMUNITEA DANCE**, a FREE event celebrating Pride Month. On Sunday, June 10 starting at 6 p.m., South Florida's LGBTQ community and allies are welcome to enjoy an evening on the Center's Thomson Plaza for the Arts to celebrate love, dance and support a good cause.

COMMUNITEA DANCE will feature a joyous "tea dance" led by return hostess and legendary South Beach drag queen **Tiffany T. Fantasia** (@TiffanyTFantasia; Palace), with DJ sets by **DJ**

Hottpants (@DjHottPants; Gramps Wynwood's "Double Stubble"), **Lolo** (@LoloReskin; founder of Sweat Records) and **Adora** (@AdoraDrag; iconic South Beach drag queen personality since the early '90s). Guests will also experience live performances by **Pioneer Winter Collective** (@PioneerWinter), Florida's only LGBTQ-focused dance troupe, and record-setting Billboard chart-topping dance music artist **Kristine W** (@KristineWMusic), along with special acts by **Gender Blender Miami** (@GenderBlenderMiami) drag artists such as **Andro Gin** (@AndroGinKing), **Moda** and **Jahsyra Pryce** (@Jah.Syra). Guests interested in attending **COMMUNITEA DANCE** are encouraged to register for the event and submit their RSVP [here](#).

During the event, guests can enjoy happy hour-priced drinks and light bites provided by the Center's on-site restaurants **BRAVA by Brad Kilgore** and **The Café at Books & Books**. Specials include: \$4 draft beers / \$5 bottles, \$6 wines and sangrias, \$6 Tea Dance signature cocktail, \$5 sandwiches and more. A variety of snacks, including ice cream treats by **Midtown Creamery**, and non-alcoholic beverages will also be available.

The inaugural **COMMUNITEA DANCE** took place last June on the one-year anniversary of the Pulse Nightclub tragedy in Orlando. The Arsht Center used the inspirational power of the arts to bring the community together to honor the victims and loved ones, help heal and to stand tall against hate. During the event, the Center unveiled a commemorative brick stone installation to forever honor the moment, and with the help of the event's attendees, raised nearly \$1,000 to benefit the onePULSE Foundation.

About Kristine W:

Named by *Billboard* magazine as the "#8 Greatest Dance Artist of All Time," **Kristine W** has proven herself a lasting talent. Through nearly 25 years in music, she has consistently delivered songs that touch hearts and souls and compel bodies to find the mighty groove out on the dance floor. **Kristine W** recently returned to the dance floor with "Stars," the second single from her soon-to-be released album. With its soaring vocals, infectious beat and heavy bass line, "Stars" is the definition of party track. However, listeners who peel back the high energy layers will hear a deep and important message beneath its surface. The song is about coping with life's difficult transitions: a good friend moving away, children leaving to chase their dreams, or a loved one dying.

Kristine W launched her career in 1994. In that time, she has scored 17 #1 dance hits on Billboard and a record-setting string of nine consecutive #1s on the Hot Dance Club Songs chart. Her chart successes have broken records held by the likes of Madonna and Janet Jackson (most consecutive #1s) as well as Mariah Carey (most #1 dance hits). She is named among the top three of the last decade's club play artists trailing only Madonna and Beyoncé. For more information, please visit www.kristinew.com and www.leftofcenterproductions.com.

About Pioneer Winter Collective:

"Reprise" is the latest dance project by the **Pioneer Winter Collective**. This unique dance company of allied bodies democratizes performance through the unexpected. It champions unexpected bodies, telling unexpected stories and personal histories, in unexpected places. They are believers in the beauty of vulnerability and humanness. **Pioneer Winter Collective** is also the *only* Florida dance company that focuses on LGBTQ and other marginalized communities. "Reprise" is a critically-acclaimed performance that uses contemporary dance to explore shared our queerness.

Pioneer Winter Collective, in association with **Gender Blender Miami**, will also co-present solo performances by **Andro Gin**, **Moda**, and **Jahsyra Pryce** – three incredibly talented Miami drag

artists who carry their own original style and artistry. Incorporating fashion, transformative make-up effects, and upbeat choreography, their high-art take on drag performance speaks to the diversity of Miami's queer entertainment realness. For more information, please visit www.pioneerwinter.com.



Kristine W – Photo by Mike Ruiz



Kristine W – Photo courtesy of mgmt



Tiffany T. Fantasia and DJ Hottpants at CommuniTea Dance 2017 – Photo by Eyeworks Productions



Guests at CommuniTea Dance 2017 – Photo by Eyeworks Productions

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About the Adrienne Arsht Center for the Performing Arts of Miami-Dade County

Set in the heart of downtown Miami and designed by world-renowned architect Cesar Pelli, the Adrienne Arsht Center for the Performing Arts of Miami-Dade County is one of the world's leading performing arts organizations and venues. Since opening in 2006, the Arsht Center, a 501C3 non-profit organization, has emerged as a leader in presenting innovative programming that mirrors South Florida's diversity as well as a catalyst for billions of dollars in new development in the downtown area. Spotlighting legends and serving as a launch pad for local artists to make their mark on the international stage, the Center presents nearly 400 events each year across its flexible, state-of-the-art performance spaces. The Center programs several Signature Series, including the largest jazz series in South Florida, a major annual Flamenco Festival, and a robust program of new theatrical works as well as free programming for the community and an arts education program that serves nearly 60,000 children each year. As Miami's new Town Square, the Arsht Center also houses BRAVA by Brad Kilgore, a fine dining restaurant; the Café at Books & Books in the historic Carnival Tower and a weekly Farmers Market.

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