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CELEBRATE BLACK HISTORY MONTH WITH



JAZZ4FREEDOM

PHILADELPHIA FUN FACT ABOUT JAZZ

DID YOU KNOW PHILADELPHIA HAS BEEN HOME TO MANY INFLUENTIAL FIGURES IN JAZZ, INCLUDING JOHN COLTRANE, DIZZY GILLESPIE, AND SUN RA? THE ARTISTS FEATURED IN KIMMEL'S JAZZ4FREEDOM PERFORMANCE ARE ALL LOCAL ARTISTS CONTINUING THIS PROUD LEGACY FOR 4TH GRADE STUDENTS FROM PHILADELPHIA DISTRICT AND ARCHDIOCESE SCHOOLS.

KIMMEL CENTER'S JAZZ4FREEDOM LINKS JAZZ TO BLACK HISTORY IN PENNSYLVANIA AND BEYOND. THE PROGRAM HAS IN-SCHOOL CURRICULUM WHERE STUDENTS LEARN ABOUT THE HARLEM RENAISSANCE AND GROWTH OF JAZZ IN PHILADELPHIA. THE HIGHLIGHT OF JAZZ4FREEDOM IS A FIELD TRIP TO SEE A PERFORMANCE AT THE KIMMEL CENTER FEATURING MUSIC, DANCE, AND COMMENTARY ON SOCIAL CHANGE TODAY AND THROUGHOUT HISTORY. STUDENTS ARE INSPIRED BY A POST-SHOW WORKSHOP WHICH LINKS THE CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT TO JAZZ AND PROVIDES ENCOURAGEMENT FOR CHILDREN TO USE THEIR OWN VOICE TO CONTINUE THE FIGHT FOR SOCIAL CHANGE.

“ THANK YOU FOR THE AMAZING PERFORMANCES. TAP DANCING WAS MY FAVORITE. THE MARTIN LUTHER KING VIDEO ALMOST MADE ME CRY. IT WAS SO BEAUTIFUL. COMING TO THAT PROGRAM MADE ME BELIEVE THAT I CAN DO ANYTHING. THANK YOU. I HOPE TO COME AGAIN. ”

- JAZZ4FREEDOM STUDENT



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