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URBAN ARTISTRY'S 6th ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL SOUL SOCIETY FESTIVAL™

A full spectrum Hip-Hop and Urban Arts experience

Washington, D.C. [March 24, 2014] -- Urban Artistry announces the 6th Annual International Soul Society Festival™: an all ages, week-long series of events celebrating the full spectrum of Hip-Hop, Urban Arts and its many influences.

About International Soul Society Festival™

This action-packed festival creates the much needed opportunities for inspiration and collaboration amongst global artists right here in our Nation's capital. Through dance battles and workshops, DJ competitions, film viewings and graffiti exhibitions, there is something for everyone at the International Soul Society Festival™, from age nine to ninety-nine.

Full events schedule at: <http://internationalsoulsociety.com/events/>

The 6th Annual International Soul Society Festival™ is proudly presented by Urban Artistry in concert with their partners: American Parkour, The Jam Cellar, DJ Baronhawk Portier with Satellite Room and The Velvet Lounge, Dance Bethesda, DMC, U Street Music Hall, DJ Sam "The Man" Burns and Eighteenth Street Lounge as well as local and internationally renowned visual and performance artists. The groundbreaking dance competitions feature: five champions of 'The ABYSS: A House Dance Experience' National Qualifiers who will travel to DC to participate in the final competition. The innovative 'Book of Styles Popping Battle' and it's 'Wheel of Funk' Style selector challenging the knowledge and creativity of its competitors in the art of Popping. And the ever impressive 'Correctional Facility: B-boy Battle' exhibition.

Highlighted Events for The International Soul Society Festival™

Friday, April 18th, 11am: ***The Soul Society Experience Panel Discussion & Press Junket*** at Busboys and Poets 2021 14th St. NW Washington, DC 20009. Experience the passion driving The International Soul Society Festival through a panel of esteemed guests and presentations. Dance education specialists, cultural ambassadors, students, international guests, and others, discuss the state of Hip Hop and urban arts education, development, and their personal journeys within the field.





Friday, April 18th, 6pm: **DMC Washington DC Regional DJ Battle** at U Street Music Hall, 1115A U St. NW, Washington, DC 20009. DMC turntablist battle presented by Rane in association with Urban Artistry and The Beat Refinery. Prize trip to NYC for the main event and prize packages from our sponsors. Judges: Ragz, Dirty Hands, Chris Karns and more. \$10 in advance, \$15 at the door. 6 and under free with one adult ticket; all ages welcome until 10pm.

Saturday, April 19th, 2pm-10pm: **International Soul Society Festival™ Competitions** at U Street Music Hall, 1115A U St. NW, Washington, DC 20009. Innovative and world renowned dance battles in the styles of popping, bboying, house dance, and more. Judges include: Sven "Slam Tilt" Forshell (Stockholm, SWE), David "Disco Dave" Horne (NYC, NY), Ryan "Future" Webb (Washington, DC). There will also be live painting, music and urban apparel vendors. \$20 presale, \$25 at the door. All ages, 6 and under free with a guardian.

About Urban Artistry

Urban Artistry, an International Culture and Education Project based in the DC Metro Area is a 501(c)(3) non-profit collective of dancers, artists, historians, musicians, folklorists and documentary filmmakers on a mission to preserve and continue the practice of urban dance, music and arts culture throughout the world.

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