



### Arizona Soul Edition

**Location:** Kiwanis Park

**Date:** February 27, 2022

**Description:** Arizona Soul Edition, is a diverse group of creatives bringing a mix of Hip Hop, Social Latin (modern Salsa and modern Mambo), and freestyle dance to the Tempe community through an interactive live music and dance experience. AZ Soul will be providing a three-hour open workshop featuring the histories and showcases of various cultural dance traditions. These experiences, taught by individuals of various cultures and backgrounds, will illustrate where diverse cultures intersect and thrive.

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### Arizona Talking Drum Performance

**Location:** Studio at 2121 South Priest

**Dates:** Fall 2021

**Description:** AZ Talking Drum Performance Studio Network is a collaboration of performance and visual artist of various disciplines that produce arts experiences from staged productions, workshops and community engagements to increase the visibility and viability of the African diaspora. The program will deepen the knowledge, network, skill sets and resources of Arizona artists through two master workshops conducted by legendary artists Ms. Barbara Morrison and Father "Baba" Amde Hamilton.

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### Asociacion de Peruanos en Arizona

**Location:** Hackett House

**Date:** May 6, 2022

**Description:** ASPEAZ, Asociación de Peruanos en Arizona, aims to promote the different aspects of Peruvian culture within the Arizonan community. The organization will host a festival presenting a group of Peruvian artists, such as dancers, actors and actresses, puppeteers, Andean wind instruments players, as well as the consumption of traditional Peruvian cuisine.

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### Bhaktivedanta Cultural Center

**Location:** Kiwanis Park

**Date:** October 23, 2021

**Description:** This multicultural arts festival, "Festival of Lights," will showcase various ancient, traditional, and cultural arts. Live performances will feature 18 cultural teachers including dancers, singers, and musicians.

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### CAFÉ Flutes

**Location:** Desert Marigold Senior Living and Elmcroft Assisted Living

**Date:** Spring 2022

**Description:** CAFE Flutes, an immersive music experience, offers a customized, immersive musical experience for seniors by providing three opportunities to interact with CAFE musicians to foster personal, meaningful connections. The organization will host three music experiences at two senior communities in Tempe. Seniors will be actively involved as they listen to and make music, learn about the global culture of flutes, and enjoy customized concerts that feature music that reflects their preferred genres.

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### Focus Comics

**Location:** Virtual

**Date:** Spring 2022

**Description:** This art program is designed to help special needs children gain positive self-image through the depiction of an autistic superhero called Focus. The program develops artistic skills, self-confidence, and self-esteem so that the teachings might have a lasting impact on the participants' quality of their life as they develop into adulthood. In this remote comic art class, students will learn about drawing human figures and Focus, the autistic superhero (exploring issues relating to human expressions to self and identity), landscapes (Tempe landmarks, relating to a sense of community identity), and visual story telling through comics.

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### HeARTsy

**Date:** Spring 2022

**Description:** HeARTsy is dedicated to bringing age and ability appropriate fine art programming to underserved populations who would typically lack the funding, transportation and ability. HeARTsy will offer these fine art classes to underserved youth and adults with disabilities through ARC of Tempe at Pyle Adult Center. Through five art classes, students will benefit from high quality arts programming, become empowered, engaged and enlightened while building long term, meaningful friendships.

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### Kraken Still and Film

**Location:** Tempe Community Complex Plaza

**Date:** April 14, 2021

**Description:** Kraken Still and Film (KSAF) was founded by Lawrence Fung in 2018 with a small cast of dancers and composers. KSAF is an interdisciplinary dance and visual art company that celebrates a mix of styles including contemporary ballet, breaking, and contact vocabularies, as well as the use of photography and film to showcase movement in various mediums.



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Kraken Still & Film will host an outdoor, evening performance and film screening of their latest work at their second, annual dance showcase.

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### Tempe Artist Guild

**Location:** Friendship Village and Tempe History Museum

**Description:** The purpose of the Tempe Artists Guild is to: promote and advance the appreciation and practice of art; encourage and support art education through the development and cooperation of artists; and to support art-related community projects. TAG promotes artistic development by providing a Speaker Series, Art Workshops at Friendship Village, Exhibition at the Tempe History Museum, and Community Outreach projects. These events will be held simultaneously in-person and via Zoom.

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### The Sacred G's

**Location:** Tempe Town Lake

**Date:** February 10, 2022

**Description:** The Sacred G's are a street arts collective rooted in Hip Hop culture, dance, and conscious community. Fusing street dance styles and Spirit-inspired movement, they create open-hearted messages for the empowerment, inspiration, and artistic enrichment of humanity to instill feelings that connect to the heart and to catalyze social change. In Spring 2022, a team of four LED suit dancers will roam throughout Tempe parks while they engage with passersby in a family-friendly, interactive manner. This fusion of street dance in glowing LED suits will be non-verbal and non-tactile. The theatrics feature a continuous guerrilla-style storyline and interactive performance art.

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### Whistling Moon

**Date:** Fall 2021

**Description:** As collaborators in Whistling Moon, our practice focuses on creating art around community-driven ideas and conversations. Our project, Passageways, is a community interviewing, storytelling and art project that explores community members' relationship to growing up. Artists will conduct interviews with community members in Tempe about coming of age and then create visual responses to interviews (such as zines, collages, or digital art). Final artwork will be distributed digitally and presented in a gallery event at the Tempe History Museum.

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