

LADIES OF HIPHOP FESTIVAL

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Moderator Bio

LaTasha Barnes @tasha_b_va

LaTasha Barnes is an internationally recognized and awarded dance artist, educator (Asst. Prof of Dance ASU), and tradition-bearer of Black American Social Dance. Currently operating between New York and Phoenix, Barnes' expansive artistic, competitive, and performative skills have made her a frequent collaborator to arts organizations around the world. She is also honored to serve on the Brain Trust guiding the ground-breaking stage production SW!NG OUT, as the visionary creator and Artistic Director of the critically acclaimed intergenerational and intercommunal cultural arts experience *'The Jazz Continuum'*, as well as Board Chairwoman for Ladies of Hip-Hop. Visit www.latashabarnes.com to learn more about her journey, achievements and cultural efforts.

Panelist Bios

Luz Frias @luz_nyc

Hailing from Uptown NYC, 16yr old Luz Remigio-Frias unlocked a passion for dance. Later she sharpened her skills and was eventually performing alongside artists like ChrisBrown, ArianaGrande, Rhianna, etc. Luz's aims to reinvigorate the dance industry with an innovative approach to movement-combining street styles with a commercial flair.

Tiffany "TiffStarr" Cayetano @djtiffstarr

From the Sunny State to the city that never sleeps, this B-Girl turned DJ; wife and mother of two never skips a beat. She launched her DJ career in 2014 and has been rocking the turntables ever since. You can keep up with her @DJTiffStarr on all social media platforms.

Margie "KaoticBlaze" Nuñez @kaoticblaze

KaoticBlaze is a B-girl turned DJ and host from New York City who has performed all over the world at events whose themes center around Hip Hop, Funk, Soul, and House music. Currently based in Florida, she is the DJ of battle emcee MyVerse and continues to headline events nationwide.

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Roukijah "NutellaK" Rooks @nutellak.r

NutellaK is a NYC based professional movement artist and founder of GetFitNK. She holds a BFA in dance from the University of the Arts. NutellaK's career has allowed her to tour the US as an independent artist, training with renown pioneers and battle globally in street and club dance.

Khadijah Siferllah-Griffin @khadijah_movement

Khadijah Siferllah is a National YoungArts Award recipient and Emmy nominated Dancer and choreographer; Based in NYC and Minneapolis. She is a practitioner of HipHop, house, and Traditional African (Guinean) dance. Her work reflects her identity and culture, and contributes to the betterment of herself and her communities.

Desire Ortiz @_desire.x

Desire Ortiz is a Born & Raised Nuyorican Performing Artist. Started Diving into Dance at the age of 3. Transitioning into all ranges of Dance, Classical, Studio & Street Styles. As she broadened her horizons of the arts she transitioned into Musical Theater at age 12. This opened her up to Singing, Acting and Creating her own performances everywhere she goes.

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