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# STUDENT CHOREGGRAPHY SHOWCASE

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Choreographer	Mikaela Laxton			
Music	"Running" by Max Richter			
Dancers	Katelyn Arledge, Erika McLendon, Carly Thompson*, Rachel Trotter			
One Step Behind				
Choreographer	Hannah Price			
Music	"Floating Away in Every Direction" by Hammock edited by Christopher Davis			
Dancers	Kennedy Crosby*, Anna Grace McLaughlin, Lexy Sharpe, Brooke Tindal, Mason Tomberlin			

Everyone is after something.

#### Weaving Through The Steel of Curiosity

Choreographer	Jade Leeds
Music	"Losing the Light" by Explosions in the Sky
Dancers	Katelyn Arledge, Alexis Brown, Payton Elmore, Ashley Minton



Morgan Nawrath is a junior dance major and an art history minor. This is her first time choreographing for the Winthrop stage. You may have seen her perform in Winthrop Dance Theatre, Student Choreography Showcase, The Rock Hill RockHettes, *Legally Blonde*, and *The Wiz*. She wants to thank her father and grandparents for the constant love and support.



Jordan Mickle is a senior double major in theatre and dance from Columbia, South Carolina. Regional credits include *Phantom of the Opera*, *Heathers: The Musical*, 1776, *Unto These Hills*, and *The Lost Colony*. Jordan is proud to present his choreography alongside his peers in what will be his final Winthrop University production. Special thanks to Emily, Meg, and Biff for their continued support through this process.



Carley Tomlinson is a junior dance performance major and theatre minor. She has been given the opportunity to perform in many works here at Winthrop including Winthrop Dance Theatre, RockHettes, Senior and Junior Choreography Showcases, *Legally Blonde the Musical*, *Heathers the Musical*, and The *Wiz*. She also enjoys serving as the Terpsichore Historian and Social Media Chair. Thank you to all of her dancers for their time and beautiful work!



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Christopher Davis is currently a senior at Winthrop University. He has been training in dance technique for three years and this is his second choreographic work set at the university.

#### **Choreographers**



Mikaela Laxton is a junior at Winthrop University. She has performed in Winthrop Dance Theatre (2014-2016), Senior Showcase (2014-2016) and Junior Showcase (2014-2015) here at Winthrop University. This is her first opportunity to create a piece for the Winthrop stage, and she is very excited to share her work with others.



Hannah Price is a junior dance education major from Greenville, South Carolina. She has performed in various productions during her time at Winthrop. These include Winthrop Dance Theatre, *The Wiz*, *Legally Blonde*, Winthrop RockHettes, Senior Showcase, Junior Showcase, and Winthrop Dance Reperatory Theatre. This production of Junior Showcase is her first time choreographing, and she is

excited to experience this process.



Jade Leeds was born and raised in Southern California. She and her family moved to Fuquay–Varina, North Carolina when she was in the eighth grade. Little did she know that this huge transition would lead to the beginning of her dance career. She is in her junior year studying dance performance with a minor in health care management. Her training has evolved from Holly Springs School of Dance, the American Dance Festival, and Winthrop University. She has performed in a previous Student Choreography Showcase in 2016. Jade would like to

thank her family for always encouraging her to pursue her dreams, to never back down, or give up, and to be the best that she can be.



Katie-Laken Weeks, a native of Fountain Inn, South Carolina, is in her junior year here at Winthrop, and has been training and studying dance for 19 years. Katie-Laken's early dance training was at a competition studio where she competed for 13 years, and hopes to one day soon open her own family-run dance studio. She has performed in Winthrop's Student and Senior Choreography Showcases, and Winthrop Dance Theatre, but this will be her first

time choreographing for Winthrop's Student Choreography Showcase. She would like to thank her dancers for being willing to go beyond, and for allowing her piece to become a reality on the stage. Katie-Laken would also like to thank her parents for pushing her to become the dancer and artist she is today. Finally, she would like to thank her grandmother, for inspiring her to be strong, motivated, and empowered.

#### **Option Number Two**

Choreographer	Katie-Laken Weeks in collaboration with dancers
Music	"Experience" by Ludovico Einaudi edited by Katie-Laken Weeks
Dancers	Amber Jones, Jennifer Kight, Erika McLendon

They gave her two options, one was to let it be, and the second was to fight it. She chose the second option, and said that she was willing to fight no matter what it takes. Not only does the second option apply to her most recent battle, but also the ones that continued to reoccur and challenge her each day. Her brain might have been confused and fatigued, and her legs might have not known what to do and give out, but she did know that she wanted to live. She has always chosen to not give up, and that shows who she was as a person; that she was strong, motivated and empowered.

#### In Loving Memory of Katie Jean Cowart Vaughn

#### Minutes:Seconds

Choreographer	Morgan Nawrath		
Music	"Opening" by Philip Glass		
Dancers	Anna Grace McLaughlin, Kylie Smith, Brooke Tindal, Rachel Trotter		
	Harmony in Solace		
Choreographer	Jordan Mickle		
Music	"Rachel's Song" by Vangelis		
Dancers	Alexis Brown, Timaya Forman, Jennifer Kight Andrea Ward		

The euphorium of kinship under the stars.

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## Production Staff

Choreographer	Carley Tomlinson*	Director	Emily Morgan				
Music	"Landing Cliffs" by Explosions in the Sky	Technical Director	BiffÉdge				
Dancers	Megan Long, Erika McLendon, Lexy Sharpe, Merideth Smith, Mason Tomberlin (US)	Stage Manager Lighting Designer Light Board Operator	Karlie Brown Stephanie Schley* Ava Furr				
The major degeneratin of dementia and Alzhei		Sound Board Operator Dresser Running Crew	Le'ianna Gladden Shelby Lewis Mariah Barrie, Caitlin Brown, Andrew White*				
Where We Stand		Scene Studio Assistants	Aisha Addison*, Mariah Barrie,				
Choreographer	Christopher Davis II		Brandy Brogden*, Alexa Cibbarelli*, Jobina Cummings, Brian Drescher*, Madia Madiae* Stanhania Sahlay*				
Music	"River" by Bishop Briggs; "The Old One" by Mattia Cupelli	Scenic Construction/Lighting Crew	Madia Medico*, Stephanie Schley*, v Karlie Brown, Ryan Hilton, Ashley				
Dancers	Sydney Carr, Kennedy Crosby*, Jessica McFarland*, Anna Grace McLaughlin	Costume Studio Assistants	Jensen, Maggie Shaw, Cindy Stowe				
Women stand together. Women struggle together. Women conquer together. <u>Winthrop University Department of Theatre and Dance</u>		Costume Studio Assistants	Lauren Landers*, Zachary Morrison, Cindy Stowe, La'Raine Turlington				
		Costume Construction Crew	Ke'Shawna Brown, Emily Campbell, Dylan Carpenter*, Alexa Cibbarelli*, Megan Edwards, Shelby Lewis, Phylisha Mace*, Luna Mackie*,				
Degrees Offered:			Melanie Magee				
B.A. in Theatre, with concentrations in Performance Design/Technical Emphasis Musical Theatre		Box Office Staff	Sarah Bruce <sup>*</sup> , Caitlyn Bryant <sup>*</sup> , Caitlin Byrne <sup>*</sup> , Dylan Carpenter <sup>*</sup> , Dani Lilley <sup>*</sup> , Phylisha mace <sup>*</sup> , Madia Medico <sup>*</sup> , Michelle Perri <sup>*</sup> , Titus Quinn <sup>*</sup> , Lauren Roberts <sup>*</sup> , Destiny				
				B.A. in Theatre w	ith Teacher Certification (K-12)		Tyrone*, Garrett Whiffen*, Kareem Wilson
				B.A. in Dance B.A. in Dance with Teacher Certification (K-12)		House Manager	Caitlyn Bryant <sup>*</sup> , Phylisha Mace <sup>*</sup> ,
							Garrett Whiffen*
		Graphic Designer	Rachel Ogg				

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