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## **Expressions 2021 - Creative Connections**

**BALTIMORE, MARYLAND** – This year, Baltimore School for the Arts’ signature gala, Expressions, will take place in the digital realm, a place BSA has embraced and explored creatively this past year. Throughout the pandemic, creativity has not slowed within the BSA community. And this year’s theme, *Creative Connections*, celebrates our success pivoting to the virtual world, innovatively and collaboratively. The program will start at 8:30 p.m EST on April 30 at [bsfa.org/expressions](https://bsfa.org/expressions).

Premium dinner packages prepared by *Linwoods* are included with different levels of sponsorships, and on the day of, to-go Expressions dinner packages will be available at selected dining partners. Viewers can watch the one-hour live streamed program that evening while dining at home and bidding at the [online silent auction](#), along with pre-show festivities and signature Expressions arts classes. The silent auction goes live on Wednesday, April 28 for high level sponsors and to the general public on April 30 through the rest of the weekend.

Expressions is BSA's largest fundraising event each year. “It’s also a moment for our students to share their individuality and artistic accomplishments with our community,” said Chris Ford, Director, Baltimore School for the Arts. “This year, we are so pleased to share this special, virtual Expressions with people in Baltimore and across the globe. We’re sure you’ll love it!”

Our passionate and successful alumni continue to make headlines, whether as a lead cast member in a Golden Globe’s winner, *The Queen’s Gambit*, the Artistic Director of Hubbard Street Dance Chicago, or co-arranger of a Grammy performance.

This year we'll have visits from at least 5 special alumni from across the country; Tiffany Boone '05, Christian Siriano '04, Andrew Grams '95, Josh Charles '89, and Ramsey Naito '88.

"BSA provides the launch pad for so many of Baltimore's youth and these alumni are the proof that young people in Baltimore will thrive when they have the opportunity. It will be so great to see them for a bit at this event!", said Chris Ford.

Expressions is the single most important fundraiser for Baltimore School for the Arts. It raises 50 percent of the support required for the annual fund each year.

Tickets are \$25 and can be purchased at [bsfa.org/expressions](https://bsfa.org/expressions).

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