

Dereke started his dance career in Chicago with the dance group 2XS. He was invited to LA for a Janet Jackson audition that led to him to the discovery of Monsters of Hip Hop. After being selected for the show in LA under the direction of Tabitha & Napoleon, he continued to be featured in various commercials. He was also a stand-in dancer for MTV ABDC & assisted choreographers on SYTCD. He was on two international tours with artists Kat Deluna, Amei, and Anahi, traveling to Europe, Asia, & South America. Dereke lived in Mexico City for five years, where he worked as a judge for Hip Hop International and Infinity dance studio which competed in the US and won various top awards at Nuvo, Monster of Hip Hop, etc. While teaching, he choreographed various tours, including Belinda & Gloria Trevi. When he moved to Austin a year ago, he began directing The Aye Team. He continues to invest in the future success of the city's dance & fitness scene!

## Who We Are

TAKE IT TO THE NEXT LEVEL

### Our Mission

The Aye Team is a Hip Hop performance group that will give a full access look into what goes into a successful performer and team member. For ages 9-18, this group will have the opportunity to perform at various events, competitions, and dance conventions.



## **Opportunities**

Training from Local, National, and International

Choreographers

Competitive Growth

Local Performances

Convention Training

Industry Training

Team Bonding Experiences

Customized Training and Choreography

& More!

# REGISTER

## Audition Information

AGES 9+ | MAY 26 | \$20

#### May 26 5:30-7:00pm

After having pre-registered, dancers should plan to arrive at the studio no less than 15 minutes before their audition time to check in, complete any remaining paperwork (an application should be fully completed ahead of time, along with headshot – please fill out thoughtfully so we can get to know your dancer), and to warm up. Dancers should wear their best hip-hop attire to auditions. Light makeup, and hair accessories are acceptable. Dancers will learn a short combo and will be asked to freestyle as part of their audition.

5-5:30pm- Check in/warm up, 5:30-6:30pm- Learn combo, 6:30-7pm- Review and audition combo in small groups, 7pm- Parent Pick-up (Director available to answer any parent questions)

#### Evaluation:

The Dance Spot will bring in outside judges to evaluate auditioning dancers, and provide objective feedback for team placement. In addition, director feedback is considered, as well as past attendance, work ethic, attitude and performance quality (for returning company members). Judges and directors will share feedback after auditions and collaborate to determine the crew best suited to dancers' abilities, commitment level and expressed goals (per their application).

#### Results:

Dancers will be notified on Wednesday, May 27th, via email, of their audition results/placement. After that, one parent and dancer are REQUIRED to attend a mandatory meeting 2x1 meeting with the director. On Thursday, May 28th, one parent and dancer must attend a meeting with the director to sign up for all summer and fall requirements, be measured, etc. Summer classes start Monday, June 8th, and end Thursday, July 30th. The fall session begins on Monday, August 17th.

Registration is open!
Online at dancespotx.com.
512-244-3363

\*if your dancer is unable to attend auditions, please reach out to discuss private audition options.

# Time Commitments

SUMMER AND FALL EXPECTATIONS

#### **Summer Commitments:**

8 hours of hip hop during the 8 week session. summer choreo week, team retreat, and one workshop or intensive

Fall Commitments: Schedule (subject to change/draft\*):
Thursdays 6-8pm (ages 9-11) or 7-9pm (ages 12+) (rehearsal),
plus one additional hip hop class:

Ages 9-11: 5-6pm Thursday (recommended) but could do 7:30-8:30pm
Tuesdays or 7-8pm Wednesdays

Ages 12+: 8:30-9:30pm Tuesdays (recommended) but could do 8-9pm Wednesdays

Conventions/Competitions/Performance Dates
TBA after making the team.

For more information regarding specific cost, dates, and more email AyeTeam@dancespotx.com