



## american dance festival

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## The American Dance Festival Hosts First Ever Durham Dances at the American Tobacco Campus on June 30th, Following Children’s Matinee by Hubbard Street 2

**Durham, NC, June 25, 2012** – In celebration of the 2012 **American Dance Festival (ADF)** which runs June 14-July 28, ADF will throw its first ever **Durham Dances**. This free community event will take place immediately after **Hubbard Street 2** dancers present an \$8 special feature children’s matinee of *Harold and the Purple Crayon: A Dance Adventure* from 1-2 pm at the Durham Performing Arts Center. Tickets can be purchased by contacting the DPAC box office. **Durham Dances** will take place at the **American Tobacco Campus** in downtown Durham on Saturday, June 30, 2012 from 2-4 pm. **This event is free and open to the public.**

**Durham Dances** includes an afternoon of music, dance, a parade with **Paperhand Puppet Intervention**, arts and crafts with **Scrap Exchange**, pizza and drinks with **Mellow Mushroom** and much more. **Hubbard Street 2** dancers will be available for a meet-and-greet, photo opportunity, poster-signing, and fun activities to go along with the story of Harold. **UNC-TV** will be there with **Angelina Ballerina** themed activities for children to enjoy. Also in attendance will be a Durham favorite, **Wool E. Bull**. ADF faculty member **Sherone Price** will incorporate the crowd in an African dance workshop with live drums.

Music will be provided by **The Gravy Boys** on the ATC stage. The ADF’s “May We Have This CyberDance” blog staff will be creating the first ever Durham Dances video, a compilation of dance moves from event participants.

Door prizes donated by The King’s Daughters Inn, Moshi Moshi, Posh, Joe Van Gogh, The Art of Cool Project, The Regulator, and Zola Craft Gallery will be available by a free drawing.

Durham Dances is made possible through the generous contributions of American Tobacco, The Mary Duke Biddle Foundation, GlaxoSmithKline, The Noël Family Fund of Triangle Community Foundation, and the City of Durham.

#### About ADF:

*Founded in 1934 in Bennington, Vermont, the ADF remains an international magnet for choreographers, dancers, teachers, students, critics, musicians, and scholars to learn and create in a supportive environment. The ADF’s wide range of programs includes performances, artist services, humanities projects, publications, community outreach, educational programs and classes, archives, media projects, and national and international projects. The ADF has been presenting the best in modern dance for over 78 years. [www.americandancefestival.org](http://www.americandancefestival.org).*

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