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The Alley Extension's Afro-Cuban dance class



Haitian folkloric dance workshop

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The Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater (alvinailey.org) does more than just put on a good show; it offers many classes that are open to the public. Channel your inner ballerina, go modern, or simply shimmy on the side with classes ranging from hip-hop to Afro-Cuban to Haitian folkloric dance. To make dance a family affair, check out the programs for adults and kids at the **Dance Theatre of Harlem**. (dancetheatreofharlem.org/adultprogram)

ALVIN AILEY: PHILIP HORN; JOE BOUTZOS; AND MACHIE BISHARA

SEW, YOU MAKE FASHION?

You have closets filled with designer labels—the only one missing is yours. **Project Runway** made **Parsons The New School for Design** (newschool.edu/parsons) famous for its fashion design teachings, while the **Fashion Institute of Technology** (fitnyc.edu/2857.asp) is a cut-and-sew industry classic featuring coursework in fabric styling, textiles, and fashion and jewelry design. If fashion week isn't your goal, a hobbyist can get the basics at **The Sewing Studio** (lovesewing.com), which offers an eight-week intro to sewing as well as challenging options for intermediate and advanced levels.



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