

Tommy King

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AL MASSRAWEYA
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FATEN
Presents

TITO SEIF
Oriental Master
Washington, DC Debut!

Friday June 2 8pm (EST) *Al Massraweya presents Tito Show!*
Reinsch Library Auditorium @ Marymount University | 2807 N Glebe Rd, Arlington, VA 22207

Saturday, June 3 12-2pm *Oriental Technique & Saidi Combinations*
3-5pm *Baladi & Shaabi*
Galaxy Dance Center 512 Maple Ave W, Suite 203 Vienna, VA 22180

Sunday, June 4 12-3pm *Mejance (Choreography)*
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WORKSHOP & SHOW
3 Days

For more info:
WWW.ALMASSRAWEYA.COM

Faten

Faten is the founder of Al-Massraweya Folkloric, and a highly sought after teacher of Egyptian Raqs Sharqi and Folkloric dances nationally and internationally! She has over 50 years of experience in the Egyptian folkloric dance style, and has travelled the world to perform and teach. Faten teaches weekly in-person and virtual classes, holds annual tours to Egypt and an annual dance retreat, and brings national and international, renowned performers and instructors to the DMV, including Sahar Samara, Lebanese Simon, Amir Thaleb, and Nada el Masreya. This June Faten will be hosting Egyptian Superstar, Tito Seif! Dancers from Al-Massraweya will also be performing an original Faten choreography in the show!

We're so grateful to have support for the Tommy King Spectacular from Faten. She is a true gem, a driving force of local dance scenes, and one of the kindest, most incredible dancers and instructors up and down the I-95 corridor! For more information on any of Faten's classes and events, check out www.almassraweya.com

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Special Thanks to

Roberto

Roberto is Co-Organizer of tonight's Event!!!

Roberto began studying Raqs Sharqi and folkloric dances from the MENAT (Middle East, North Africa, and Turkey) when he was 15. He has had the pleasure of learning from some of the most phenomenal instructors - including but certainly not limited to Artemis Mourat, Faten of Al-Massraweya, and Dr. Christine Şahin - as well as being a part of the larger dance community from Philly to the DMV, doing everything from private gigs to hosting dancers. Roberto will graduate with his Masters in Social Work this summer, and plans to incorporate dance and movement into his therapeutic practice.



Act I



Al-Massraweya Egyptian Folkloric Dance Group based out of Arlington, VA is under the direction of Faten, a native Egyptian and member of the National Folkloric Troupe of Egypt. “Heshek Beshek”, the song that Al- Massraweya will be dancing to, is a modern Egyptian Awalem style dance. Awalem dancers are truly the entertainers for the people. They perform at festivals and Cairo weddings in the popular areas. This dance is followed by a fun drum solo, which incorporates some Latin rhythms. Zaira al Zahara and Elena will be representing the larger Al-Massraweya group!



Farah Abi is an Egyptian Style dancer from Washington, DC. She has performed as a professional dancer around the DC region and beyond. She has been a long time student of Yasmin in Bethesda, Maryland. And, has studied Egyptian folkloric style with Faten in Northern Virginia, and Turkish style with Artemis in Silver Spring, Maryland. Plus workshops with many other master teachers. Farah’s favorite aspect of Egyptian style is interacting with the audience and adding character and personality to the show. She’s excited to be in Delaware for this show and to share the stage with such amazing dancers!

Farah Abi
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Troupe Hayati is a multi award winning dance troupe based out of Harrisburg, PA, known for delivering powerful and energetic performances.

Troupe Hayati
Venmo: @tonirn97

Act I



Elena has been studying dance since 2000. She trained extensively in Ballroom and Latin Dance and was selected to join a salsa performance group. Always curious and exploring different dance forms, she discovered her passion for Belly Dance in 2007 while looking for another art form to enhance her Polynesian Dance studies. She has been studying and performing Egyptian Classical and Folkloric Belly Dance under the direction of Faten of Al-Massraweya Folkloric. Along with her solo, Elena will perform an original choreography by Faten with other Al-Massraweya members!



Mariana is a multi-award-winning professional dancer specializing in Egyptian Raqs el Sharqi (also known as 'belly dance'). With over 13 years of training and performing of this incredible art, her love has grown from a tiny passion into a successful professional dance career. She can be seen performing all over PA, NJ and DE in restaurants, lounges, night clubs and especially private events.

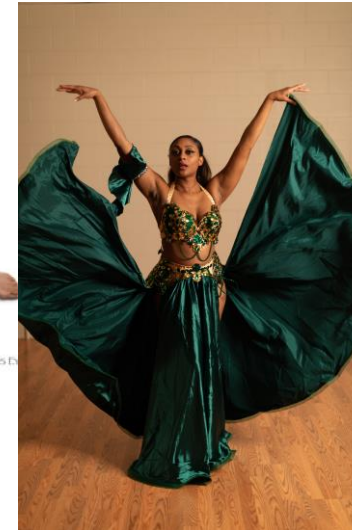
Mariana

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Aisha is a belly dance performer and instructor based in North Carolina. She has had the pleasure of performing along the East Coast and performing internationally. She has a love for dancing live with Middle Eastern bands and loves to take her dancing to the concert stage, dancing in full length concert works in Belly Dance and other styles such as Samba, Contemporary, and Afro Fusion. Aisha is known for her authentic, captivating, and effortless style, capturing audiences' hearts all the way from the restaurant floor to the big stage. In addition to performing, Aisha owns and operates the Aisha Studios Belly Dance School, where teaches weekly classes, monthly workshops, and creates opportunities for performance.

Act I



Raq Razi is a Modern Egyptian and American Cabaret dancer based in Atlanta, GA. She currently dances at various restaurants in the Atlanta metro area and has been known to put on dynamic performances highlighting the fun and beauty of the MENAT dance/Bellydance.

Razi
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Venmo: insideoutwm

End of Act 1
Short 15 Minute
Intermission

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No matter where you dance K8 Kotoski Photography wants to elevate your look! As the official photographer, she is excited to capture the fabulous performances of the dancers in the Tommy King Gala show.

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Part 2



Selene Rose
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A fun-sized slice of bratty charm, Selene Rose entrances audiences with her sultry mix of dance, theatre, and comedy. Selene is a professional belly dancer and a member of the Habiba studio and KDC Dance Collective. A student of Egyptian and Near Eastern dance since 2005, She began her affair with Egyptian dance in Los Angeles under the tutelage of Fahtiem and has also studied Lebanese dabke. The sultan of sass: with a look, she'll fly you to the moon and back. Selene is a graduate of Philadelphia's Burlesque Battle Royale and a member of the city's metal go-go burlesque troupe, Slut Church.



Ro started bellydancing as a form of fitness. Since that first class she fell in love with the culture, the community and fellowship. She found through Bellydance that there's more that unites us than divides us. She's incredibly honored to join the esteemed performers and to be part of this show. Tonight she's performing a megance choreographed by Victoria Teel.

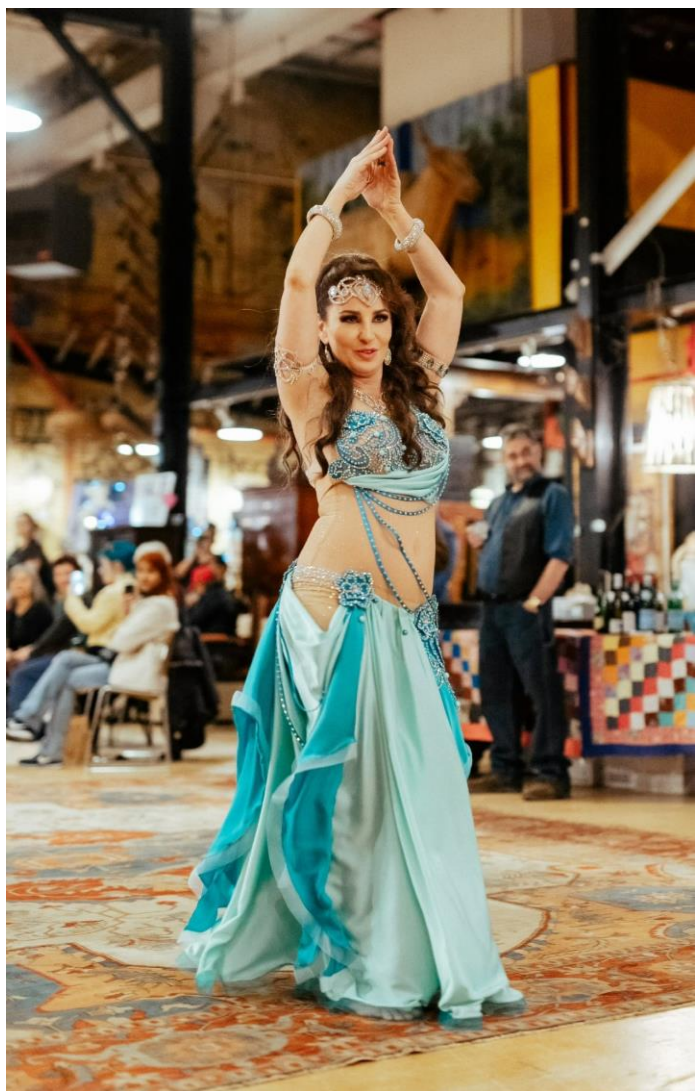


Zahra danced ballet, modern, jazz and tap from age 2, and also was a competitive figure skater, but she soon fell in love with Egyptian dance! Zahra regularly trains with international superstars who live and work in Cairo, has performed and taught overseas, and has placed at international competitions. Locally, she performs at restaurants, and private parties. She teaches weekly beginner classes, and workshops a couple times a year. Zahra also brings superstars to Delaware — including Nada El Masreya, Wael Mansour, Nany, Nahla Morani, and Özgen!



Zaira al Zahara is a Washington, DC-area belly dancer and member of her teacher Faten's Al-Massraweya Egyptian Folkloric Dance Group. She is also a “passista” with the Vavá United School of Samba in Washington, DC, and an avid yogi and teacher. She studies various dance styles from around the world with her main focus being Egyptian oriental and Folkloric dance. Along with her solo, Zaira will perform an original choreography by Faten with other Al-Massraweya members!

Zaira al Zahara
CasApp: \$Lgroove
Venmo: @Lauren-Chung-13



Meesha's art grew out of her musical Lebanese-American family and the Lebanese community in South Philadelphia in which she grew up. Meesha has a lifetime of performing and sharing her love for her artistic heritage. If you would like to learn more about Meesha you can connect with her on Facebook through 'Meeshabellydance' or Michele Tayoun or on Instagram at Meeshadance.

Meesha

Venmo- @michelle-tayoun



Khuzama is the organizer of this weekends event. She is a Delaware based multi award winning belly dancer and instructor who has been dancing for over 18 years. She draws her influences from modern and classical Egyptian, fusion, and with a hint of Lebanese Oriental style. She has been studying with Tommy King since 2020. Khuzama has choreographed for multiple dance groups along the east coast and is the Creative Director of the KDC Dance collective. She has performed all over the country and taught at and hosted multiple festivals.

Khuzama

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Dark Side Burlesque

Dark Side Burlesque is a Philly-based, monthly nerdlesque show featuring local and visiting artists that bring the fun and the funky to all things nerdy. You can catch their shows every third Sunday at Franky Bradley's in Philly's Gayborhood. They have graciously donated a pair of tickets to April's Dark Side show, Jeff Goldblum theme! We will be raffling these off during the Tommy King Spectacular!



Tommy King is an internationally renowned teacher and trainer of Egyptian Raqs Sharqi. He is known for his charismatic, fun, and joyful performances, and has been a top festival instructor in Egypt and around the world, including the US, Japan, China, Europe, and South America. Tommy's love for teaching shines through in his generosity and skilled instructing that leaves all of his students with something they can take with them on their own dance journey.

Khuzama

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