

#### **Designer & Stylist Directory**

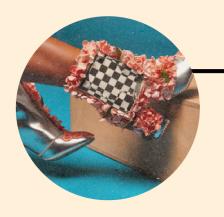
Thank you for visiting WACO Theater Center's directory of wearable art designers and stylists.

This list is provided to connect guests with professional artists, designers and stylists who work in the specialized field of wearable art.



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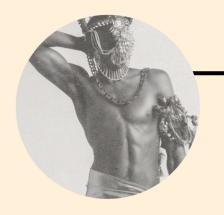
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### CRYSTAL PARIS

Crystal Paris is an award winning, self-taught, Fashion Artistry Designer specializing in Wearable Art. Building on her love for high fashion, and art, Crystal's debut into the Hive Gallery solidified her place in the downtown LA art scene and sparked the development of Wearable Art.

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### DAWN GRANT

Handcrafted by wearable art designer, Dawn Grant, each accessory is created by blending art, fashion, and design, to bring you a visionary approach in accessorizing.

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# DOURIEAN

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### TASHIBA JONES-WILSON

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#### THEME

#### "Every person is God's unique creation, so unleash your creative side."

-Tina Knowles Lawson

# This year we relive the history of Harlem and step into the night—celebrating the fashions of the 1920s-50s.

From music and dancing to savory culinary dishes and signature cocktails, we'll experience the big ballrooms, jazz clubs, speakeasies, iconic restaurants and theaters where artists such as Duke Ellington, Bill Bojangles Robinson, Zora Neale Hurston, Cab Calloway, Langston Hughes, Billie Holiday, Pearl Primus, Ella Fitzgerald and others performed.

The films "Harlem Nights" and "The Cotton Club" serve as this year's inspiration. The evening will reclaim the artistic legacies of our ancestors and bring Harlem to Los Angeles.



#### **DRESS IN THE ERA**

For this year's event, we encourage you to dress in the style and fashions of your favorite era—from the flappers of the roaring 20s to the zoot suits of the 40s and pencil skirts of the 50s.

Come as your favorite movie character or figure of Harlem history. Each decade connected fashion to being fabulous, and amplified the high glamour and creativity of the time.

Wearable art is a creative form of dressing that is inspired by artistic mediums such as photography, painting, sculpture and film.

In addition to your wardrobe, we encourage guests to arrive in their own vintage style cars.

So have fun, show your style, and make it your own!

Visit the gala ticket site for more information, including a directory of designers, stylists and vintage car services.



#### **ABOUT WACO**

WACO Theater Center is a performing and visual arts organization dedicated to the empowerment of Los Angeles artists, young people and stories of the African diaspora.

Founded in 2016, WACO opened its doors in 2017. Located in the heart of North Hollywood's Arts District, the state-of-the-art complex includes a 99-seat theater, an art gallery space and is the home of Richard Lawson Studios. Over its five year history, WACO has invested in more than 700 artists and 1000 young people in Los Angeles and beyond. WACO is committed to providing a creative center where art can occur and give artists and youth a place to grow their talent and celebrate their artistry.



#### **Performing and Visual Arts**

WACO produces, presents and commissions multidisciplinary performance and visual art work including theater, dance, film and music sharing stories of the African Diaspora. The 2021-22 artistic season includes: I GOT THE MIC SERIES, THE EVOLUTION OF AFRICAN DANCE, FILMS FOR TEENS BY TEENS FESTIVAL, and BLACK TERROR BY RICHARD WESLEY



#### **HUMANITY EVENTS**

WACO's humanity events provide opportunities for our general audiences to learn through public dialogue and special events. This seasons events included: REVOLUTIONARY BLACK WOMEN, MEET THE CREATORS OF BLACK TERROR, and REVOLUTIONARY ROUNDTABLE



#### TINA'S ANGELS AND RICHARD'S WARRIORS

A partnership with KIPP Academy, our mentorship program supports students from age 14 through college. The program exposes students to the arts and life skills, including etiquette classes, personal development, film production and more. Past initiatives have included the College-ish College and Career Fair, Passion Day and providing computers and tech equipment to every student during COVID. We aim to empower participants to identify their dreams, and with mentorship, gain the clarity, discipline and skill to achieve those dreams. Throughout the program, students participate in field trips and workshops with guest artists.