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STATEMENT OF SOLIDARITY

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Dance Umbrella of Ontario (DUO) stands in solidarity with Black communities. Our most heartfelt sympathies are with Mr. Floyd's family and the families of others who have experienced loss due to discrimination in Canada, the US, and globally.

We are inspired by the creative gestures from our colleagues and allies around the world who are calling out the injustice of anti-black racism and acts of discrimination. While we want everyone to continue to use proper precautions during the pandemic, please join DUO in condemning white supremacy and challenging institutionalized racism.

As an organization, we celebrate IBPOC creators including artists, administrators, and supporters, and are committed to diversity, equity, and inclusion. We have zero tolerance for acts of racism and xenophobic harassment.

As an organization we listen, learn, and reflect on our behaviour as part of our daily work which we acknowledge is built on colonial assumptions. DUO will continue to support through our work, the voices and stories of IBPOC communities.